

# SEPTEMBER 20 - 27, 2024



















# ITINERARY

## September 20 - Arrive in Guadalajara

Depart home and arrive in Guadalajara, where your local guide will meet you. Transfer to your hotel for dinner and your overnight stay.

## September 21 - Guadalajara, Zapopan & Tlaquepaque

This morning, drive to Our Lady of Zapopan for Mass and then enjoy a tour of Tlaquepaque and the downtown area of Guadalajara. See the cathedral, Plaza Tapatia and many other interesting sites and historical buildings connected with the colonial era. Return to your hotel in Guadalajara.

# September 22 - San Juan De Los Lagos & Cristo Rey

Travel to San Juan De Los Lagos to visit the main cathedral. Continue to Cerro Del Cubilete to see the impressive statue of Christ the King. Your journey today ends in Guanajuato, which was founded in 1559 and contains some of Mexico's grandest colonial churches, government buildings, mansions, and theaters. Pipila Monument, set on a hillside overlooking the city, affords a stunning panorama of Guanajuato and the surrounding hills. Spend the night in Guanajuato.

## September 23 - Guanajuato, San Miguel De Allende & Queretaro

Today, celebrate Mass at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guanajuato. Then, travel to San Miguel de Allende, a city that enchants visitors with its cobblestone streets. See the inviting Zocalo, framed by a stunning 17th-century Gothic church and centuries-old buildings, plus strings of cafes and numerous art galleries. Drive to Queretaro, the lovely, well-preserved colonial city. Visit the center, which is full of markets, museums, churches, and historical monuments commemorating the city's heroes. Arrive in Mexico City and check into your hotel.

## September 24 - Mexico City & Teotihuacán

Visit the Plaza of the Three Cultures. Celebrate Mass at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe before traveling to Teotihuacán, one of the best-preserved cities in Mexico. Teotihuacán was the most important city in North America around 500 AD when its population was an estimated 200,000 people. We will be amazed by the Pyramids of the Sun and Moon and the mile-long Avenue of the Dead framed by countless monuments and structures.

## September 25 - Shrine Of Guadalupe & Mexico City

Today, drive to the impressive complex and one of Mexico's holiest places. This is where the Virgin of Guadalupe is said to have appeared before a humble Indian named Juan Diego. Visit the New Basilica that houses the sacred image of the Virgin (Tilma). Later, see the Old Basilica, Tepeyac Hill and the surrounding gardens. Visit the Zocalo, the Metropolitan Cathedral and the National Palace, containing the offices of the presidency and featuring along the walls of its central patio Diego Rivera's stirring mural. We will stop for lunch and then drive to the festive atmosphere of the floating gardens at Xochimilco Ecological Park for our boat ride. Return to the hotel for our dinner and get ready for the "Folklore Show at the Palace of Fine Arts".

# September 26 - Puebla, Tlaxcala & Ocotlan

Our visit to Puebla reveals a showplace of Spanish colonial architecture, much of it adorned with the beautiful hand-painted Talavera tiles for which the region is famous. Puebla, Mexico's fourth-largest city, is packed with ornate churches. We will visit the cathedral and Santo Domingo Church with its stunning Rosary Chapel. After lunch, we will continue to Tlaxcala and the Shrine of San Miguel del Milagro, where St. Michael the Archangel appeared to Juan Diego Lazaro and told him of a miraculous spring. Continue to Ocotlan to visit the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Ocotlan, where an apparition of Juan Diego in 1541 was miraculously burned into the trunk of an oak tree. We will walk down to the well and drink the healing water. Return to Mexico City for a farewell dinner and your overnight stay.

**September 27 - Return Home** 









#### TRAVEL REGISTRATION FORM

## Please mail completed form with payment and passport copy to:

First, Middle & Last Name	must be submitted as	it appears on	your passport:
Guest 1: First Name:	(	(Name Tag:) _	
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Guest 2: First Name:	(	(Name Tag:)	
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Street Address:		P.O. Box:	
City:	State:	Zip Code:	
Dietary Restrictions:			
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How did you learn about this	s tour?		
Roommate(s):			
If No Roommate:  Try to	Match Me ☐ Single Ro	oom (availability	limited - \$499)
Important Information Regar	ding Travel Protection Plan		unnt 1
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#### **Travel Protection Plan - Premium Rates** For a full description of the plan, go to: www.tripmate.com/wpF427E

Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost
\$ 99	\$2501 to \$3000	) \$299	\$4501 to \$5000	) \$499	\$6501 to \$7000	
\$149	\$3001 to \$3500	) \$349	\$5001 to \$5500	) \$549	\$7001 to \$8000	\$799
\$199	\$3501 to \$4000	) \$399	\$5501 to \$6000	) \$599	\$8001 to \$9000	\$899
\$249	\$4001 to \$4500	) \$449	\$6001 to \$6500	) \$649	\$9001 to \$10,00	00\$999
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\$2001 to \$2500 \$249	\$4001 to \$4500	\$449
Schedule of Coverages	Maximu	m Benefit
Part A * Trip Cancellation		.Trip Cost
Part B Trip Interruption		\$500
Medical Expense / Emergenc Accident and Sickness Med Emergency Evacuation and	ical Expense	
Accidental Death & Dismembe	rment	\$25,000

**Trip Cost** 

\$ 0 to \$1000... \$1001 to \$1500

\$1501 to \$2000

Additional Cancellation Protection
When You purchase this Travel Protection Plan at or before the final
payment due date for Your Trip, you also receive the Educational
Travel Services Pre-Departure Cancellation Waiver Benefit that allows
you to cancel your Educational Travel Services travel arrangements
up to the day of departure for any reason (excludes no shows and
those not permitted boarding). With his Educational Travel Services those not permitted boarding). With this Educational Travel Services Cancellation Waiver, your non-refundable land cancellation penalties will be refunded in Educational Travel Services travel certificates. Certain travel programs are not eligible for this benefit, such as cruise and land programs listed and detailed on the Educational Travel Services website (www.etstours.com). Premiums must be paid in addition to initial or second deposit prior to the final payment for coverage to be in effect.

Baggage and Personal Effects. \$1,000
Baggage Delay. \$200
Part A Travel Arrangement Benefits are provided by Educational Travel Services. Part B - Travel Protein Benefits are provided by United States Fire Insurance Co.
\*\*Ter New York Residents Only. Part A Benefits are travel arrangement benefits underwritten by United States Insurance Company.

## Conditions and Limitations

This is a brief description of the plan available for all Travel Protection sales for Trips departing January 1, 2013 and after. Certain exclusions and limitations apply and are detailed in the Certificate of Coverage. For example, coverage does not apply to: any Sickness or condition of you, a Traveling Companion or a Family Member traveling with you that existed during the 60 days prior to the effective date of the coverages (The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion is waived if payment for this plan is received by Educational Travel Services at or before the final payment due date for Your Trip or 105 days before departure date, whichever occurs first), suicide, normal pregnancy, war or any act of war. Other Coverage Reasons, as defined, includes the before departure date, whichever occurs first), suicide, normal pregnancy, war or any act of war. Other Coverage Reasons, as defined, includes the that causes complete cessation of services of Your Common Carrier for at least 12 consecutive hours, a documented traffic accident while en route to departure, being hijacked or quarantined; jury duty!, destruction of your home or destination by first, flood, burglary or natural diasster, being called to the emergency service of government to provide aid or relief in the event of a natural disaster, a documented theft of passports or visas; a transfer of employment of 250 miles or more; or Revocation of military leave. For further information ask for the Certifica of Coverage which fully details the coverages, provisions, limitations and exclusions of the plan offered and is available to you, upon request, at any time prior to your purchase of the Fire Insurance Company, Eatontown, NJ. Benefits are administered by: Trip Mate, Inc.\*, 9225 Ward Parkway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO, 64114, 1-800-888-7292 ("in CA, dba Trip Mate Insurance Agency).

#### PROGRAM CONDITIONS

- INCLUDED IN PRICE: Deluxe motorcoaches • 1st class hotels • Guided sightseeing • Entrance fees to sites visited (as listed in itinerary)
   Breakfast and Dinner Daily • Hotel gratuities • Program fees • Administrative Fee • Breakfast & Dinner Daily
- NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:

  \*\*Round-trip international airfare \* Optional Travel Protection Program (see premium schedule)

  \*\*Optional sightseeing as listed in the brochure \* Required Vaccinations \* Required medical testing before, during, and/ or after travel \* Miscellaneous fees such as individual transfers; passports, laundry, most dinners, beverages at meals & baggage fees \* Visas for non-US citizens \* Visas and Transfers for all ground only passengers \* Optional Travel Protection Program (see premium schedule) \* Tips for guide (\$6/day) & driver (\$3/day) ACCOMMODATIONS:

Price is per person based on double occupancy. When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. While we will try to match roommates, we cannot guarantee a roommate will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 30 days prior to departure and, if one is not available or you request a single room, the following charges apply: \$499 during the basic tour.

#### PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:

Deposit	Payment Amount	Due Date	
Registration Deposit	\$300	At time of registration	
Final Payment	Full payment	06/07/2024   If paid after the due date, a late payment for \$100 will be assessed.	
Travel Protection Premium Amount	The Travel Protection Plan premium will be due no later than 06/07/24 to be in full effect. Travel protection premiums must be paid in addition to our deposits and in advance of the final payment for coverage to be in effect.		

REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED after June 7, 2024:
We welcome registrations after 06/07/24. Registrations received between 06/08/24 - 06/22/24 will incur a \$100 per person fee. Registrations received between 06/23/24 - 07/07/24 will incur a \$200 per person fee. Registrations received between 07/08/24 - 07/22/24 will incur a \$400 per person fee. Registrations received on 07/23/24 or later will incur an additional fee based on air availability. Additional fees will be advised upon registration.

100% of Cancellation Fees are covered by the optional Travel Protection Program, provided premium has been paid and reason for cancellation is coverable. Those who do not take travel protection should be aware of the following per-person cancellation penalties: From day of registration to 105 days prior to departure, you will be charged the \$100 non-refundable cancellation fee plus any airline fees. Additionally, thereafter, you will be charged any airline penalties and a single room supplement if your cancellation forces your roommate into a single plus the following per-person charges: 104-60 days = \$400; 59-45 days = \$600; 44-31 days = 40% of total cost; 30 days to day of departure = 100% of total cost. Submit cancellation in writing. On or after day of departure, there will be no refund for any services not used.

#### STATEMENTS OF RESPONSIBILITY

We do not accept responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air schedules, hotel overbookings, other hotel related problems or causes, and/or travel supplier cancellations or postponements. Travel suppliers include all tour operators, cruise lines, airlines, hotels, bus companies, entertainment venues, and any other travel supplier used to operate the tour. All such losses or expenses will be the responsibility of the passenger. We reserve the right to make adjustments to the itinerary as deemed desirable by us, and we reserve the right to cancel any tour prior to departure. If a tour is canceled beyond the control of us, we will provide a refund or a future travel credit to be used two years from the date of issuance for the value of all funds paid by the passenger less nonrehable travel supplier prepaid deposits, travel supplier change fees, nonrefundable travel protection premiums, and a \$150 administration fee. FIT TO TRAVEL STATEMENT:

Passengers registering for the tour accept the responsibility for being in good health and able to walk and travel on the tour. Because many of the sites are not accessible to the physically challenged and space limitations on tour buses, wheelchairs and scooters cannot be accommodated. Those needing oxygen or other ambulatory assistance will find the tour extremely limiting in their experiences. Persons using C-pap machines requiring distilled water will need to inform us ahead of time, so we can work with local operators to prepare as it is not always available. We reserve the right to refuse or revoke travel to anyone who is, in our sole judgment, incapable of group travel without causing undue demands upon the staff or other tour participants. Accessible rooms/cabins are limited and subject to confirmation after receiving the passenger's written request. If you have questions, please contact us for more details.

#### PASSPORT INFORMATION:

Passport information.

Passport information must be submitted to our office no later than 06/07/24. Failure to provide your passport information to our office by this date may result in change fees or denial of travel. Discrepancies in information may result in change fees, delays in receiving travel documents for your trip, or denial of travel. Any fees incurred due to discrepancies are the responsibility of the passenger. Passports must be valid for at least 6 months after the return date

### PRICE INCREASES:

All prices quoted in this brochure are subject to change prior to payment in full due to currency fluctuations, fuel surcharge increases, government taxes and fees increases or unforeseen circumstances. In addition, you may be subject to a price increase after payment in full has been received due to potential government imposed taxes and fees

## AIRLINE ROUTES and TICKETS:

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In order to keep prices low, we do not guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. Once issued, airline tickets cannot be changed or refunded thereafter. Air transportation toffrom your destination will be economy class on IATA and ARC carriers utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, non-amendable tickets for groups of 10 or more flying together on entire tilnerary. If you choose to depart from a different city than your group or traveling companion, or deviate your flight and/or trip plans, and/or you are taking a pre or post tour, you may fly on a different scheduled flight(s) than the rest of your group. If you make your own air arrangements, you are responsible for booking all needed flights for your travel unless specified otherwise. Contact your travel advisor for further details.

### FLIGHT TIMES AND SEATING:

All flights are subject to change by the airlines without advance notice. We are not responsible for such changes or delays and do not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays. If you are making your own flight arrangements to the departure city, we recommend you purchase a ticket that can be exchanged without large penalties. There is no advance seat selection for groups on most airlines. Early check-in is necessary to secure seats with travel companions and those with special needs. Due to security measures taken at airports, it is advisable to arrive at the airport three hours prior to departure time. Seating is solely under the control of the airlines. You will receive your flight information 60-30 days prior to departure. Final documents are sent approximately 2-3 weeks prior to departure.

### ADDITIONAL AIRLINE FEES:

You will likely incur additional airline checked baggage fees that are not included in the price of the tour. These fees vary by airline and are at the airline's discretion on each segment of the flight itinerary. You may also incur optional fees i.e. food, excess baggage, overweight baggage, items of personal nature, etc.

### DEVIATIONS AND AIR UPGRADE REQUESTS:

Deviation and Air Upgrade requests must be submitted in writing and are subject to additional airline fees. Deviations and Air Upgrades are not always possible given the group schedule and time of ticketing. Passengers who are ticketed with air deviations and/or upgrades will likely not fly with the group and will therefore need to provide their own transfers. ITINERARY CHANGES:

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this brochure. While we will make every effort to ensure you will see all sites listed in this brochure, the availability of sites, order of sites and/or days and number of days may be altered to accommodate changes in airline, hotel schedules, and local conditions. No changes to the itinerary are effective unless approved in writing and signed by an authorized officer of the tour operator. Except as stated herein, no other person is authorized to cancel, modify or vary the tour arrangements or to make any representation of warranty concerning the tour. Due to airline schedules, some participants may receive one or two extra leisure days at a nominal per day charge and some extensions may not be available on all departure dates. If tilnerary changes necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged \$125 per night; single rooms \$175 per night. Meals for extra nights are not included.

VALIDITY DATE:
This brochure is valid until 04/24/24. Registrations will still be accepted after the validity date

### RELEASE INFORMATION:

Payment of deposit indicates permission for us or our agents to record the registrant's participation and appearance on video tape, audio tape, film, photograph, or any other medium and to use the registrant's name, likeness, voice, comments, submitted documentation, written papers, and/or biographical material without restrictions or limitation for any advertising, marketing, publicity, educational or promotional purpose which we or our agents deem appropriate, unless the registrant

or guardian otherwise notifies us in writing prior to departure.

Enrollment in, payment of deposit and/or acceptance of final documents, vouchers, or tickets shall be deemed to be consent to the Passenger Agreement and Program Conditions of the brochure. Prices are based on tariffs in effect as of January 1 of the previous year and are subject to adjustment without notice in the event of any change or currency fluctuation.

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Except where otherwise stated, we act only as agent for the relevant supplier in securing hotels, transportation and other travel services and in no event shall we be liable for failure by any such supplier to render any transportation, lodging or other travel service to be provided on the tour. The passenger agrees that we assume no liability for injury, death, damage, loss, theft, accident, delay, any lost or damaged luggage, or irregularity which may occur by reason of any negligent or willful act or omission of any suppliers of service.

We do not own or operate any of the suppliers of services to your tour. Similarly without limiting the foregoing, passenger agrees to hold us barmless for any defect in any vehicle, plane, boat bus, car, yan or other vehicle, and for war or

agrees to hold us harmless for any defect in any vehicle, plane, boat, bus, car, van or other vehicle, act of wa insurrection, terrorist activity, revolt or other civil uprising, military action, strikes or labor unrest or any Act of God or for any other act of any third party