



PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Includes Visiting MEXICO

Pilgrimage itinerary.

DATE: 10 October to 21 OCTOBER 2018 12 Days

What is included:

TRIP: Flight from Melbourne to Los Angeles; then LA to Mexico City

Return from Mexico City to Los Angeles and to Melbourne

Detailed information:

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TOTAL COST: approx. AUD 3250 per person

(subject to currency exchange rates; based on group size of 35 and AUD/USD exchange rate of 0.75)

Price above includes (estimate):

- flights: approx. AUD 1500

- accommodation and sightseeing - Mexico: AUD 1750

Flights

Arranged by Flight Centre Group Travel in South Yarra - Nina Du Preez Tel. 9032 2666

Flight costs to be paid by each pilgrim after receiving an invoice from Flight Centre

Melbourne - 10 Oct - 09.00 - QF 093 - Los Angeles 06.30

Los Angeles - 10 Oct - 10.00 - AA 0816 - Mexico City - 15.45

Mexico City - 21 Oct- 16.40 - AA 0816 - Los Angeles - 18.55

Los Angeles - 21 Oct - 22.40 - QF 094 - Melbourne - 23 Oct - 08.30

MEXICO

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DAY 1 . Mexico City - arrival

After arriving at Mexico City airport you will be transferred to your hotel room where you can enjoy your time and dinner will be served. Journey will continue the following day.

DAY 2. Mexico City - Teotihuacan 50 km

After breakfast you will be sightseeing the capital of Mexico, one of the largest cities in the world - Mexico City; City tour will include visiting city centre, Zocalo, Cathedral; Chapel of the Divine Mercy and the famous statue of Pope John Paul II made of keys (holy mass in the cathedral), the Presidential Palace, in which there are frescoes of the famous muralist painter Diego Rivera. Trip to Teotihuacan - visiting America's largest pyramids in the pre-Hispanic "city of the gods": the Pyramid of the Sun, the Pyramid of the Moon, the Temple of the Feathered Serpent, the Way of the Dead, Tasting and Tequila, Lunch at the Pyramids; Return to Mexico City

DAY 3. Guadalupe

Breakfast. A day long visit to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City. Morning Holy Mass at the main altar celebrated with Mexican priests . Visiting the Patio of the Americas, where

there are church bells brought here from Poland. Walk at the Wells Temple to the Guadalupe Gardens, where there is the sculpture 'Offering', which is a symbol of the unity of two cultures: Indian and Spanish. Entrance to the Hill of Apparitions, from where there is a panorama on the Sanctuary and the capital of Mexico. A visit to the Guadalupe Museum, which tells the story of the revelation, image and cult from colonial times to the present. Afternoon Holy Mass in English at the side altar. Lunch near the Basilica. Free time for shopping and the benediction of souvenirs. Return to the hotel.

DAY 4. Mexico City – Patzcuaro 365 km

Breakfast. Visiting the Square of Three Cultures, where the first Catholic church was built in Mexico, where Saint Juan Diego was baptized (Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared to him). Mass in the church of Santiago Tlatelolco. Then visit to the famous Anthropological Museum with rich art collections, including Aztec, Toltec and Mayan, displayed in spacious halls, in stylized interiors of temples and in museum gardens. Dinner. Drive through the colonial old town of Morelia where we'll have a short break at the magical city of Patzcuaro.

DAY 5. Patzcuaro - Janitzio - Zamora - Sahuayo 270 km

Breakfast. Transfer to the marina and a motorboat cruise on Lake Patzcuaro in a mountain scenery, among fishermen fishing, on the Indian island of Janitzio. A walk around the island, among craft stalls to the top of the island with a beautiful panorama of the lake surrounded by peaks of mountains and volcanoes. Visiting the colonial old town of Patzcuaro, a city well known for the evangelical work of one of America's most famous missionaries, Vasco de Quiroga, nicknamed by the Indian Tata Vasco. Holy Mass. Lunch. In the afternoon, drive to Zamora/ Sahuayo. Dinner and overnight stay.

DAY 6. Sahuayo – Guadalajara 135 km

Breakfast. Visiting the city in which Jose Sanchez del Rio was born, a 14-year-old saint whom the soldiers fighting for Catholicism had been murdered for their faith during the civil war. Known from the film *Chrystiada*, "the little Saint", he was buried in his hometown in a grave with the words from the moment of agony: "Long live Christ the King." Visiting the relics of Saint Jose and Holy Mass at the church in Sahuayo. Transfer to Guadalajara: visit Tlaquepaque. Dinner and overnight stay in Guadalajara - Jalisco.

DAY 7, Guadalajara - Zapopan 11 km

Breakfast. Visit Zapopan Sanctuary and Huichol Indian Art Museum with a collection of sculptures, original paintings and ceremonial artefacts. Holy Mass at the Sanctuary. Visit Old Town of Guadalajara, including XVIIIth Cathedral and Unesco Heritage Hospicio Cabañas. Lunch and free time for shopping and relax. Dinner and overnight in Guadalajara.

DAY 8. Szlak Cristeros - Guanajuato 275 km

Breakfast. Walk down the Cristeros trail, which in the 1920s was the scenery of a religious war in Mexico. Over the years priests were persecuted and murdered, churches were closed and all the symptoms of the Catholic faith were eradicated. Visit San Miguel el Alto historical village. Mass in the

San Juan de los Lagos Sanctuary. Lunch. Visit Museum of Christ in Encarnacion de Diaz and drive to Guanajuato through Lagos de Moreno. Dinner and overnight stay in Guanajuato.

DAY 9. Guanajuato - Queretaro 150 km

Breakfast. Visiting Guanajuato: Mummy Museum, where is the smallest mummy in the world. Visiting the colonial Old Town of Guanajuato, the hot and theatrical capital of Mexico, considered by many to be one of the most beautiful cities in Mexico. Holy Mass. Dinner. Visit an architectural gem, inscribed as Unesco heritage, San Miguel de Allende with its botanical garden. Dinner and overnight in Queretaro area.

DAY 10. DAY 10. Queretaro - Puebla 332 km

Breakfast. Visit historical old town of Queretaro with its famous cross needle tree Sanctuary. Visit agave plantation and old living hacienda at Xochuca. Mass at the ancient chapel in the hacienda. Traditional lunch at the Hacienda. Transfer to Puebla and accommodation in a hotel on the colonial old town of Puebla, included in the list of Unesco monuments. Dinner and overnight stay.

DAY 11. Puebla – Tonantzintla - Puebla 30 km

Breakfast. Drive and visit to the famous church of the Indian Baroque in Tonantzintla, where the filigree sculptures decorated with cherubs of cherubs, full of flowers and a variety of fruits is one of the finest examples of Baroque art in the world. Visiting the Old Town of Puebla: the Cathedral, the Monastery of Santo Domingo and the Chapel of the Rosary recognized as the eighth wonder of the world. Holy Mass. Walk down so-called "sweet street" to the Parian market. Lunch. Free time for shopping. Dinner and overnight stay in Puebla.

DAY 12. Puebla – Guadalupe - Mexico City (return trip) 130 km

In the early morning after breakfast you will begin a return trip. You will visit The Shrine of Our Lady in Guadalupe where Holy Mass will be celebrated and then you will have an opportunity to spend some time on your own to contemplate and pray. Then you will be transferred back to Mexico City airport where dinner will be served at your own expense.

TOTAL MEXICO COST: approx. AUD 1750

Single occupancy accommodation (optional) - additional cost: + USD 395

Stay in Mexico includes:

- 3- and 4-star hotel accommodation
- transfers in air-conditioned coach
- breakfast, lunch and dinner according to the program
- Juice, mineral water, coffee and tea with dinners in Mexico

english speaking pilot, permanently resident in Mexico, specialist throughout the route.

- everyday Holy Mass

- tolls and local taxes;

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- fees for entry tickets and tips for hotel bellmen, maids and waiters in restaurants:

(here is only one entrance fee to the Anthropological Museum which costs

12 AUD all five admissions to museums besides no fees - nothing more will be paid off to anyone)

- surcharge for a single room: 395 \$ USD / per person.

- personal expenses;

- other services not covered by the program;

WARNING:

- we suggest buying basic insurance on your own (KL - medical expenses and accident insurance - unfortunate accidents) and resignation costs (KR).

- a 3-bedded room is a room with two matrimonial beds;

- third person in the room: 10% discount, child up to 10 years: 20% discount

- a participant registered individually, is obliged to pay extra for a single-person room if there is no other person agree for shared accommodation.

- the passport must be valid for at least six months from the date of the planned departure to Mexico;

- the order of visiting the facilities and the location of accommodation during the journey may change.

- in accordance with Art. 17. about tourist services from 29.08.1997 the price may be increased due to the increase of transport costs, official fees, taxes or fees due for such services (eg airport, loading or trans-shipment), increase in exchange rates, however not later than 20 days before the event.

Payment Terms for a stay in Mexico

Payment of the total amount no later than 40 days before the start of the pilgrimage to the Organizer's account in Mexico:

Viajes Destino Mexico SA de CV

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BRANCH No: 3461

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