



Costa Maya

The Land of Adventure

THE PORT

Puerto Costa Maya, the Western Caribbean's newest port designed exclusively for the cruise ship industry, is strategically located just hours from Cancun on the southern Yucatan Peninsula. Resembling an ancient Mayan city, Puerto Costa Maya is able to accommodate three ships at one time and deliver them to a destination that showcases the ancient and colonial heritage of the Mexican Caribbean with all of today's conveniences.

Set against the deep turquoise sea, Puerto Costa Maya is comprised of three grand pavilions, artisan and luxury shopping areas, a beach club, saltwater pools, fine restaurants and bars, and all the resources necessary to explore the surrounding jungle and coral reefs. It is the Mexican Caribbean's most complete and diverse port of call providing cultural, natural and archeological excursions.



THE AREA

An all-inclusive destination with options for every traveler, the Puerto Costa Maya experience begins as soon as you step off your cruise. From the pier, visitors are transported to a state of the art Mayan entertainment complex that features:

- 70,000 square foot shopping center and bazaar showcasing crafts made by local artisans, silver, leather, fragrances, jewelry, pottery, liquor and souvenirs of all varieties.
- Saltwater pools
- Eight daily Mexican folkloric amphitheater shows
- Spa services
- Lobster House and bar
- Pristine beaches of Uvero
- Hotel accommodations



THE EXCURSIONS

The southern Yucatan is a region shrouded in rich history and culture. Puerto Costa Maya, an ancient maritime trading post of the Mayan empire, affords visitors the opportunity to explore the natural wonders and jungle that surround the port. Bi-lingual experienced guides lead exciting and informative expeditions into the surrounding landscapes. When it comes to shore tours and marine adventures, Puerto Costa Maya's selection is unrivaled.



- **Boat Blast:** Explore the exhilarating waters of the Caribbean behind the wheel of a personal speedboat.
- **Dune Buggy Tour:** Get behind the wheel, buckle up, and enjoy the scenery as you drive along unpaved coastal roads.
- **Kohunlich Mayan Explorer:** Visit some of the most impressive Mayan archeological sites in the southern Yucatan Peninsula.
- **Bike & Kayak:** This excursion is ideal for the outdoor type who wants to explore the coast by both land and water.
- **Chacchoben:** The Chacchoben ruins are situated near the Belize border and remain virtually un-excavated to this day. Visitors can climb the tallest pyramid and search among the jungle to discover many secrets that are still hidden and ready to be revealed.
- **Airboat Adventure:** Visit the Rio Huach National Reserve to board an airboat and see the rich mangrove ecosystem and wildlife in areas that normal boats cannot travel.
- **Jungle Beach Break:** Spend the day relaxing under the sun of the powdery sands of a secluded Mexican Caribbean beach.
- **Catamaran Snorkel:** Sail the crystal clear waters of the Caribbean on your way to one of the area's premiere snorkel sites that will unveil the rich marine life of the region.
- **4x4 All Terrain:** Enjoy some off-road adventure in the back of an all-terrain 4x4 vehicle as it explores an abandoned highway, dirt tracks and finishes for some down time on the beach.
- **Beach Snorkel:** Enjoy the abundance of Puerto Costa Maya's marine life while on this snorkel excursion off the beach that will satisfy both the beginner and advanced diver.
- **Croc World:** Home to the three indigenous species of crocodiles in Mexico, this hands on experience takes you through an interactive museum and then to three observation towers connected by suspension bridges, for a first hand view of the animals in their natural habitat.

- **Horseback Adventure:** Jump on your very own horse for the day. You will ride your horse through a prairie, jungle terrain and visit two horse ranches along the way.
- **Oxtankah Mayan Ruins & Chetumal Mayan Cultural Museum:** Explore the ruins of Oxtankah, an ancient Mayan coastal trading center on the Southern Yucatan and also stop for a visit to the Museum of Mayan Culture in the state capital city of Chetumal.



- **ATV Explorer & Beach:** Kick up some dirt as you drive away in your very own ATV on this rip-roarin' off-road adventure to Costa Maya's most spectacular and secret locations.
- **Dolphin Dream Experience:** Live the unforgettable experience of swimming with dolphins in one of the most beautiful sites on the Riviera Maya. Our program blends apprenticeship and interaction, where small groups meet dolphins in the closest way possible.
- **Exclusive Fly Fishing:** Far from the crowded pier, you will experience a personalized fly-fishing tour that only high-end fly fishermen know about. Our professional guides will help you every step of the way, showing you techniques to catch bonefish, tarpon and permit.
- **4 x 4 Jeep Safari:** The perfect combination of lush jungle, turquoise blue sea, state-of-the-art 4 X 4 vehicles, isolated terrain, white sandy beach and an exquisite Mexican barbeque.
- **Mayan Cultural Encounter Tour:** Leave civilization behind and step into a world time forgot! Enter the sub-tropical rain forest on a nature walk and immerse yourself in a Mayan community devoted to traditional chicle production known today as chewing gum.
- **Clear Kayak & Lobster:** Guests at Puerto Costa Maya will be able to explore the surrounding coral reefs and marine life in state-of-the-art transparent acrylic ocean kayaks. Once back on the beach, guests will be treated to the freshest local seafood and all you can eat lobster tacos and beverages.
- **Scuba Diving:** Puerto Costa Maya has also partnered with the Dreamtime Dive Centre in nearby Mahahual to offer a new scuba diving tour of the Meso-American Barrier Reef system that surrounds the port. The PADI certified operation will transport divers to extraordinary and pristine dive sites known for their abundance of coral and ledge formations as well as marine life.
- **Mayan Reality Tour:** One of Puerto Costa Maya's newest cultural experiences will transport passengers from the port's modern complex into the heart of a true Mayan town, where they will visit an actual Mayan family, experience daily life and learn about traditional herbal medicines. Guests will then be invited to taste local Mayan dishes that include traditional buried earth cooking, hand made tortillas and local exotic fruits and vegetables.

- **Bacalar and Spanish Fort:** Passengers will be transported from the port's modern complex into the heart of the colonial world, where they will visit the ancient Spanish fort of San Felipe, learn about Mayan history and enjoy lunch next to remote Bacalar Lake. Visitors are also afforded the chance to cool off with a swim in the lake, known by the ancient Mayans as the birthplace of the rainbow for its various shades of blue.
- **Eco Airboat Tour and Beach Getaway:** Guests will board airboats in the nearby Rio Huach National Reserve and travel through virgin mangrove forests while guides point out the incredible diversity of animal life including crocodiles, fishing eagles, countless species of fish and many more. After many photographs and time in the preserve, guests will be transported to the beach side palapa for lunch and eventual return to the port.
- **Chetumal Mayan Museum and Spanish Fort:** Visitors are afforded the chance to explore two cultures – the mysterious rise and fall of the great Mayan empire at the Chetumal Mayan Museum and the arrival and fate of the Spanish conquistadors at the Spanish Fort in the village of Bacalar.
- **Xpeed Boat Excursion:** Guests will be transported to Bacalar Lagoon where they will take off on small personal speed boats in a caravan through the blue waters. It is said that this lagoon was once a safe haven for the Mayan people from the Spanish invaders. It later was used by Pirates to out run and ambush Spanish Galleons.

THE STATISTICS

International cruise operators that currently visit the port include:

Cunard • Princess Cruises • Celebrity Cruises • Sun Cruises • Norwegian Cruise Line • Royal Caribbean Cruise Line
Holland America • Carnival Cruise Line • Radisson Seven Seas Cruises • P&O Cruises • Disney Cruise Line
Windstar Cruises • MSC Cruises • Seabourn • AIDA Cruises • Costa Cruises

- **Puerto Costa Maya** is the western Caribbean's first port designed exclusively for cruise ships and their passengers.
- Up to three ships may dock simultaneously at the port or two eagle class ships.
- The port has been operating for more than five years and continues to provide the highest standards in destination quality and service.

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