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A FASCINATING 9-DAY PILGRIMAGE-TOUR OF

MEXICO



June 11th to June 19th, 2019

Tour Co-ordinators: Fran and Baby Pulumbarit



DAY 1 (Tue., June 11): MEXICO CITY

Arrive/Check-in at Mexico City hotel (transfer from airport not included).

DAY 2 (Wed., June 12): CITY TOUR – ANTHROPOLOGY MUSEUM

Morning visit to Zócalo, the National Palace where we will admire the murals of Diego Rivera in which the most relevant historical events were captured; see the ruins of the Templo Mayor de los Aztecas, the Metropolitan Cathedral, the Church of Santo Domingo and some other temples located in the Center of the City. We will go to the historic Chapultepec forest surrounded by residential areas such as Las Lomas, where we will see the residences of famous artists. Visit the National Museum of Anthropology, where you can appreciate a mosaic of the most important cultures of the country.

DAY 3 (Thu., June 13): BASILICA DE GUADALUPE – TEOTIHUACAN PYRAMIDS

Morning panoramic visit to the plaza of the three cultures, historical site where the last fight between the Aztecs and Spaniards was fought, the church of Tlatelolco and the building of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. We will continue to the Basilica of Guadalupe where we will see the original image of the Virgin of Guadalupe. Learn the history of how it was expressed in the mantle of the indigenous Juan Diego and we will see the old basilica at the foot of the Tepeyac hill. We will have the opportunity to visit the religious articles stores. Travel to the archaeological zone of Teotihuacán, the city of the Gods; admire the impressive pyramids of the sun and the moon; walk down the avenue of the dead; see the quetzal-butterfly palace and the temple of the feathered serpent, Quetzalcoatl. As well as the citadel, we will go to an obsidian workshop for the demonstration of this and the maguey. LUNCH included.

DAY 4 (Fri., June 14): TULA – TEPOTZOTIAN

Morning visit to Tula, capital city of the Toltecs whose culture is considered one of the most important in Mesoamerica. We will see the so-called Atlanteans, warriors in the shape of a column that seem to mount eternal guard over the pyramidal temple dedicated to the planet Venus. Then we will go to Tepetzotlán where we will visit the beautiful ex-convent of the same name and which is the seat of the current museum of the viceroyalty; It was built in the seventeenth century by the Jesuits.





DAY 5 (Sat., June 15): CUERNAVACA – TAXCO

Morning departure to Cuernavaca, the city of bougainvilleas and the eternal spring. See the cathedral that was built as a Mission in 1552 and in 1891 it was elevated to a cathedral. We will continue our journey through winding roads through the mountain range of the Sierra Madre Occidental, flanked by valleys and pine forests. We will enter the sierra of the state of Guerrero to reach the picturesque colonial mining town of Taxco, known as the city of silver. Visit the famous church of Santa Prisca. It is said that it was built with Taxco silver. We will have time to visit its silversmiths walking through its squares and cobbled streets framed by rustic and picturesque houses of red tiles that have been the subject of inspiration of countless artists. Return to the hotel at around 8:00 p.m. LUNCH included.



DAY 6 (Sun., June 16): UNIVERSITY CITY – XOCHIMILCO – COYOACAN

We will cross the city to reach University City where we will see the library, the rectory tower and the olympic stadium. Later we will continue to Xochimilco to take a boat that will take us to cross the channels of Xochimilco in a trajinera. Later we will visit what was once the town of Coyoacán, now part of the great city of Mexico, known for its great heritage of colonial architecture and its color. Continue to the Frida Kahlo museum, the house where the artist lived together with her husband Diego Rivera. Free time to walk through the Plaza Hidalgo and enjoy the cafes or visit the popular market of this neighborhood.



DAY 7 (Mon., June 17): PUEBLA – CHOLULA

En route to Puebla, you will be delighted with the view of the Popocatepetl and Ixtaccihuatl volcanoes, always covered in snow. Learn about the legend of the sleeping woman. The volcanoes dominate the valley where the Puebla de los Ángeles was erected, colonial architectural jewel and world heritage site. We will walk through its plinth and squares. We will see old baroque palaces, the cathedral, the chapel of the rosary with its golden altar, the handicraft market the parián, onyx factories and talavera mosaics. We will also visit Cholula, the city with 366 churches, where you can see the tunnels and part of the main pyramid. LUNCH included.



DAY 8 (Tue., June 18): MEXICO CITY

Full day at leisure to enjoy the city.

DAY 9 (Wed., June 19): MEXICO CITY

Check out of hotel (transfer to airport not included).

LAND-ONLY TOUR COST: \$2,295.00 CAD (\$1765.00 US) PER PERSON, INCLUDES:

- Accommodation in first-class (4-star) hotel, based on double occupancy
- Single rooms will be arranged, if available, at an additional cost of \$695.00 CAD (\$535.00 US)
- Breakfast and dinner daily, 3 lunches
- Travel by deluxe private air-conditioned motor coach
- Sightseeing tours and excursions on itinerary; Services of English-speaking guides

Not included: Airfare, Arrival and Departure transfers from/to airport, Gratuities, Meals not specified, Travel Insurance.

THE ABOVE COST IS BASED ON TARIFFS AND EXCHANGE RATES IN EFFECT November 30th, 2018.

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BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE:

1 standard size suitcase and 1 carry-on per person.

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Please forward the following to our office:

1. Signed registration form OR complete **online** registration form at: www.gideontravel.com/register/
2. Non-refundable deposit of \$250.00 per person before **January 31, 2019**
3. Travel insurance premium, if desired
4. Copy of passport photo page (for airline ticket)

Balance to be paid by **April 1st, 2019, and is non-refundable.**

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