



Dear friends,

Here is the program of the **Guatemala - Mexico Discovery tour (17 days)**.
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Best regards.

Mayaexplor team



days / 16 nights trip

Itinerary in **Guatemala**: the markets of **Chichicastenango** y **Sololá**, **Lake Atitlán**, the colonial city of **Antigua**, the archeological sites of **Tikal** and **Copán** , **Livingston** and the river **Río Dulce**.
In Yucatan, visit the archeological sites of **Bonampak**, **Palenque**, **Uxmal**, **Chichen Itza**, **Coba** and **Tulum**, the colonial cities of **Campeche**, **Merida**, and **Izamal** and the **Playa del Carmen's** beach.



THE PROGRAM

D1 sat

Arrival

Reception at the airport. Overnight in Guatemala city.



D2 sun

Chichicastenango

Departure to Chichicastenango. We visit one of the most beautiful Indian markets in Guatemala with its multi-colored Mayan textiles, flowers and fruits. In the afternoon, departure to Panajachel (Lake Atitlán).



D3 mon

Lake Atitlán

We reach by boat Santiago Atitlán, a village rich in handicraft and traditional fabrics. In the afternoon, we visit the villages of Santa Catarina and San Antonio. Overnight in Panajachel.



D4 tue

Sololá

Visit of the market of Sololá. Because of the geographical position of this village, located between the highlands and the coastal plain, one can see, on market days, a remarkable convergence of different populations. In the afternoon, departure to Antigua. Spend the night in Antigua.



D5 wed

Antigua

A visit to this splendid colonial jewel, former capital of Guatemala during the Spanish era. In this once-flourishing capital, although victim of devastating earthquakes, one can feel the ambiance of its colonial architecture. Side-streets are enlivened by the interaction of Indians, "Ladinos" and tourists.



D6 thu

Copán

Departure to Copán. The southernmost major center of lowland Maya civilization and is famed for its artistic sculpture. Overnight in the village.



D7 fri

Quirigua and Livingston

Travel to Puerto Barrios. In route, visit the archeological site of Quirigua, whose steles are the tallest of the Mayan world. From Puerto Barrios, travel by boat to Livingston, a Caribbean village.



D8 sat

Río Dulce

From Livingston, by boat on the Río Dulce, we will enjoy tropical fauna and flora until reaching the castle of Castillo San Felipe. Then, bus to Tikal. Overnight in Tikal.



D9 sun

Tikal

Visit this incredible ceremonial center located in the heart of the tropical forest. Of all the Mayan sites, Tikal is certainly the one that most impresses its visitors: the verticality of its structures, the peaks of which emerge through the crown of the jungle. Night in Flores.



D10 mon

Bonampak

Departure to Bethel (Mexican border). Crossing the river Usumacinta. Visit of the archeological site of Bonampak, home of famous Mayan murals. Their ancient colors remain clear and vital, making them an excellent representation of Mayan art. Bonampak also has some very well preserved stele that detail important historical moments. Then, travel to Palenque. Overnight in the village.



D11 tue

Palenque - Campeche

We visit the archeological site of Palenque. Ancient structures rise out of the lush rainforest on multiple terraces set against the mountains. There are many major buildings to explore and new buildings are now being uncovered and studied. Many wonderful examples of Maya art and history are carved into the building's facades, some of them the most famous depictions from the ancient Maya world. In the afternoon, departure to Campeche. Overnight in the city.



D12 wed

Campeche – Uxmal

Visit of the colonial city of Campeche. Departure to Uxmal. Visit of the archeological site. Uxmal is considered as one of the most splendid archaeological site from the Pre Hispanic era on the American Continent because of the proportions of its majestic constructions decorated with delicate embossment, which are carved with incredible elegance and precision. Overnight in Uxmal.



D13 thu

Merida

In the morning, departure to Mérida. We visit the colonial city. Merida is known as the White City, nowadays one of the most tranquil cities in Mexico. Her remote Mayan roots, superb colonial monuments and the splendor of her turn to the XIX century architecture, has made Merida a captivating mixture of cultural influences. Overnight in Merida.



D14 fri

Chichen Itza

Early the morning, departure for Chichen Itza. Before arriving, we visit the colonial convent of San Antonio de Padua (in the town of Izamal).

Then, we visit the site of Chichen Itza, an ancient and marvellous archaeological zone, one of the most important ancient cities of Mayan Culture. As a religious, political and commercial metropolis Chichen Itza has the most amazing buildings as an example of architecture and art of Mayan society. Overnight in Chichen Itza.



J15 sat

Coba - Tulum

Visit of the archeological sites of Coba and Tulum (closed to a very beautiful white sand beach). Departure to Playa del Carmen. Overnight in Playa del Carmen.



D16 sun

Playa del Carmen

Relax in Playa del Carmen. Overnight in Playa del Carmen.



D17 mon

Flight back

Travel to the international airport for the return flight.



D1	sam	Arrival
D2	dim	Chichicastenango
D3	lun	Lac Atitlán
D4	mar	Sololá
D5	mer	Antigua
D6	jeu	Copán
D7	ven	Quiriguá et Lívingston
D8	sam	Rio Dulce
D9	dim	Tikal
D10	lun	Bonampak
D11	mar	Palenque - Campeche
D12	mer	Campeche – Uxmal
D13	jeu	Mérida
D14	ven	Chichen Itza
D15	sam	Coba - Tulum
D16	dim	Playa del Carmen
D17	lun	Flight back


THE PRICE

Prices (2010) in US \$, per person, double room accommodation, for groups of:

2 people		3 people		4 and 5 people		6 and 7 people		8 people	
A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
3,125	3,410	2,365	2,650	2,190	2,475	1,745	2,030	1,585	1,870

(A: 2 / 3 star hotels and B: 3 / 4 star hotels)

N.B.: prices are based on adults.Reductions for children under 12.

➤ **Prices include:**

- 16 nights in 2 / 3 star hotels (A option) or 3 / 4 star hotels (B option), accommodations in double room with "American breakfast" (breakfast in Playa del Carmen not included);
- all transportation;
- boat transfers: on Lake Atitlán and in the Petén and Caribbean regions;
- English speaking guides services in Antigua, Copan, Tikal, Bonampak, Palenque, Uxmal, Chichen Itza, Tulum.

➤ **Prices do not include:**

- international flights;
- other meals;
- airport taxes;
- drinks and personal expenses;
- sites entrance fees;
- taxes at the Honduran and Mexican borders;
- insurance.

➤ **Additional costs, in US \$, (prices per person):**

Half board supplement (dinners)		Single room supplement		Triple room reduction	
A	B	A	B	A	B
270	270	450	650	95	120

Half board: except for Playa del Carmen.

- English speaking guide during the whole trip, for groups of :

2	3	4	5	6	7	8
725	484	363	290	242	208	182