A GUIDE FOR OUR WEDDING GUESTS

AROUND MEXICO



A LITTLE ADVENTURE AROUND THE CELEBRATION

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A few little things for an easy, wonderful trip.

Spring weather

Mid-March to early April brings warm, mostly dry spring days and cool evenings in Valle de Bravo. The coast and Yucatán are hotter.
Pack light layers, a sweater, sunscreen and walking shoes.

Book ahead

Semana Santa (Holy Week): March 21-28, 2027. Just after our celebration, this is one of Mexico's busiest holiday periods. Book flights and hotels early to avoid higher prices. Reserve popular restaurants and museums ahead; check opening days.

Getting around

At the airport, use **authorized taxis** from the official terminal counters.

For **Valle de Bravo**, pre-book a transfer, allow for traffic and travel in daylight.

Money & tipping

Bring a physical card: most places accept cards, but contactless is not universal. Carry pesos for small shops and tips; we suggest **no more than MXN 2,000** at a time.

A **15% tip** is customary at restaurants. Check whether service is included.

Water & wellbeing

Drink **bottled or purified water**, not tap water. Valle de Bravo sits at altitude: take it easy on your first day and stay hydrated. Keep valuables discreet and your bag close in busy places.

Little essentials

Mexico uses **Type A/B sockets** (US style). Bring an adapter if needed and check your device's voltage rating.

Save your hotel address and a map offline. For emergencies, **dial 911.**

TRAVEL REFERENCES Dates Health Plugs Tipping

SAN MIGUEL DE ALLENDE



Colourful streets & slow afternoons.

STAY



Beautiful hotels, quiet retreats & a little planning.

Luxury & design

* **Live Aqua San Miguel de Allende**
  Contemporary luxury with design-led interiors.

* **Rosewood San Miguel de Allende**
  Refined luxury in colonial-inspired surroundings.

* **Casa de Sierra Nevada, A Belmond Hotel**
  Heritage-style luxury in restored historic buildings.

* **Hotel Matilda**
  A boutique hotel focused on contemporary art and design.

Boutique & countryside

* **NUMU Boutique Hotel**
  Contemporary boutique luxury in San Miguel.

* **Casa Adela**
  A quieter boutique retreat in the countryside.

* **Rancho Sol Dorado**
  A unique ranch setting. Contact directly for overnight enquiries or a day visit.

A little planning

HOW LONG	Two to three days.
GETTING THERE	About 3.5 to 4 hours by car from Mexico City; the nearest airports are Querétaro and León (Bajío).
WHERE TO STAY	In the historic centre, so everything is walkable.
DON'T MISS	The Parroquia at sunset, a rooftop drink and Fábrica La Aurora.

Cobblestones, bougainvillea and pink stone. Wear shoes you can walk in and look up often.

* PERSONAL FAVOURITE

Tap a place name for Maps.

AT THE TABLE



Long lunches, special dinners & sunset drinks.

* **Atrio Restaurante**
  Stylish dining close to the Parroquia; a scenic choice for a special occasion.
* **La Única**
  Upscale Mexican dining in a lively setting.
* **Quince**
  Contemporary dining and a sociable atmosphere.
* **Munay**
  A personal shortlist pick; check the current menu and location.
* **Casa Nostra**
  Mediterranean-inspired dining with panoramic city views.
* **Zibu Allende at Live Aqua**
  Thai-Mexican-inspired cuisine in an elegant hotel setting.

Áperi
Chef-driven creative cuisine for a special dinner. Reserve ahead.

The Restaurant
Refined dining in a classic San Miguel courtyard.

Trazo 1810
Modern cuisine in a polished setting, with rooftop views.

Moxi
Contemporary dining at the design-focused Hotel Matilda.

DRINK

Rooftops, cocktails & late nights.

* **Atrio Rooftop**
  A terrace near the Parroquia for dining with a view.
* **Quince Rooftop**
  Lively rooftop dining with views over the town.
* **Selina Rooftop**
  From the original shortlist; confirm current branding and access before visiting.
* **Luna Rooftop Tapas Bar**
  Sunset drinks and tapas at Rosewood San Miguel de Allende.

Bekeb Rooftop
Mexican spirits and inventive signature cocktails in a design-led rooftop setting.

Zumo Rooftop
Rooftop dining with sweeping panoramic views.

La Azotea
An easygoing classic for drinks and views in the historic centre.

Rooftop by Amatte
A contemporary hotel rooftop with an architectural setting.

* **El Grito**
  Nightlife and dancing; verify opening nights and entry details.

Book popular rooftops ahead for sunset; confirm opening hours, access and reservations.

* PERSONAL FAVOURITE

Tap a place name for Maps.

ART



Galleries, local traditions & streets to explore.

Fábrica La Aurora
A former textile factory filled with galleries, artist studios and design shops.

Centro Cultural Ignacio Ramírez "El Nigromante"
A historic cultural centre for art, exhibitions and architecture.

Instituto Allende
A well-known arts institution in a historic building.

Museo Histórico Casa de Allende
The former home of independence figure Ignacio Allende, now a history museum.

Murales de Colonia Guadalupe
Colourful neighbourhood murals and local street art.

Mojigangas
Look out for the large traditional papier-mache figures used in local celebrations.

WANDER

Landmarks, markets & little walks.

Parroquia de San Miguel Arcángel
The iconic pink neo-Gothic church and San Miguel's signature landmark.

Jardín Principal
The lively main square, ideal for watching local life unfold.

Calle Aldama
Cobblestones, colourful facades and beautiful views of the Parroquia.

El Mirador de San Miguel de Allende
Sweeping views over the rooftops and surrounding landscape.

Templo de San Francisco
An ornate historic church with impressive stonework.

Parque Benito Juárez
A peaceful green park close to the historic centre.

Barrio del Chorro
Historic lanes, steps and a picturesque hillside neighbourhood.

Mercado de Artesanías
Browse Mexican handicrafts, textiles, ceramics and souvenirs.

Mercado Ignacio Ramírez
A lively traditional market with an everyday local atmosphere.

Historic-centre stroll
Explore courtyards, small shops and colourful facades along the cobblestone streets.

Confirm museum access and opening days; leave time for courtyards and small creative spaces.

* PERSONAL FAVOURITE

Tap a place name for Maps.

ESCAPE



Nature, countryside & a special ranch experience.

Beyond the centre

El Charco del Ingenio
A botanical garden and nature reserve with native cacti and walking paths.

Santuario de Atotonilco
A UNESCO-listed church sanctuary renowned for its richly painted murals.

Cañada de la Virgen
An archaeological site in the Guanajuato countryside. Check visitor access in advance.

Hot springs around San Miguel
A relaxing thermal-water outing. Check the facility and booking conditions before you go.

Rancho Sol Dorado

* A PERSONAL FAVOURITE

Head into the countryside for a horseback-riding experience. Contact the ranch to arrange a trail ride and ask about a ranch-style meal or the possibility of staying overnight.

PLAN YOUR VISIT

Confirm overnight availability, meals and riding times directly with the ranch.

ADDRESS

Carretera a Marroquín de Abajo Km 2.33, Marroquín de Abajo, CP 37888, San Miguel de Allende, Mexico.

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EXPLORE THE TRAIL RIDES

Before you go

Arrange horseback riding, ranch meals and any overnight stay directly. Check access, opening times and booking conditions for countryside outings.

* PERSONAL FAVOURITE

Tap a place name for Maps.

OAXACA CITY



Mole, mezcal & a little magic.

AT THE TABLE



Oaxacan cooking, market mornings & mezcal nights.

Eat

Casa Oaxaca
Alejandro Ruiz's modern Oaxacan cooking; rooftop views towards Santo Domingo.

Tierra del Sol
Chef Olga Cabrera's regional cooking from the Sierra Mixe.

Pitiona
Refined Oaxacan flavours; try the lechón taco.

Criollo
Enrique Olvera's garden restaurant for a relaxed tasting menu.

Levadura de Olla
Chef Thalía Barrios celebrates the cooking of the Sierra Sur.

Markets & late nights

Mercado 20 de Noviembre
Go for breakfast or the smoky grill aisle: meat, tortillas and salsa.

Lechoncito de Oro
A late-night stop for suckling-pig tacos.

Boulenc
Sourdough bread, pastries and a lovely breakfast.

DRINK

Sabina Sabe
Cocktails and mezcal; order a jamaicón.

Mistereo
An evening mezcal stop; ask about tepextate.

Mezcalería In Situ
A deep selection for discovering mezcal.

La Mezcaloteca
Book a guided tasting to learn how mezcal is made.

MisMezcales
A serious bottle shop; ask about Cruz de Diamantes.

Reserve tasting menus and guided mezcal tastings ahead; leave a morning free for the markets.

Tap a place name for Maps or booking details.

SEE & ESCAPE



Art, traditions & day trips into the valley.

In the city

Santo Domingo & the garden
Visit the church and cactus-filled Jardín Etnobotánico, now the Jardín Etnobiológico. Check guided tours.

Archivo Histórico de Oaxaca
The historical archive is worth a visit for the building itself.

Museo de Filatelia
A small stamp museum with lovely courtyards.

Museo Textil de Oaxaca
An intimate introduction to Mexican weaving.

Beyond the city

Monte Albán
A Zapotec city on a mountaintop. Go early for the light and cooler air.

Teotitlán del Valle
Visit a family weaving workshop and learn about natural dyes.

CASA, San Agustín Etla
Francisco Toledo's arts centre in a former textile mill.

Santiago Matatlán
Visit a family palenque: roasted agave, stone milling and mezcal-making.

Hierve el Agua
Mineral formations like frozen waterfalls. Check access before setting out.

A little planning

HOW LONG	Three days in the city, plus time for the valley.
GETTING THERE	Fly into Oaxaca. The Barranca Larga-Ventanilla highway also connects the city with the coast.
WHERE TO STAY	Centro, around Santo Domingo, for a walkable base.
DON'T MISS	Mole, mezcal at its source and the colours of the markets.

Tap a place name for Maps or booking details.

PUERTO ESCONDIDO



Bare feet, salty hair & Pacific sunsets.

STAY & EAT



Design stays, long breakfasts & dinners in La Punta.

Stay

Casa Kuaa
Small, beautiful and quiet: a relaxed place to settle in.

Casa TO
Ludwig Godefroy's concrete retreat in La Punta, with a sculptural pool.

Casona Sforza
Alberto Kalach's striking arches at La Barra; an adults-only escape.

Frutas y Verduras
A sociable hostel in Punta Zicatela, with activities and people to meet.

Eat & drink

Chicama
Peruvian ceviche, tiradito and pisco sours in La Punta. Go early.

Lychee
A La Punta classic for Thai curries, pad thai and occasional live music.

Sommo
Japanese cooking in La Punta: nigiri, sashimi and omakase.

Glou Glou
Natural wines and small plates on the terrace at Casa TO.

Frutas y Verduras
An easy breakfast or brunch stop, even if you are staying elsewhere.

A little planning

HOW LONG	Three days or more for a slower beach rhythm.
GETTING THERE	Fly into Puerto Escondido, or drive from Oaxaca via the Barranca Larga-Ventanilla highway.
WHERE TO STAY	La Punta for cafes and evenings out; La Barra for a quieter stay.
DON'T MISS	A long breakfast, time by the ocean and a Pacific sunset.

Tap a place name for Maps or booking details.

EXPLORE



Beach days, little adventures & golden evenings.

Beaches & nature

Playa Carrizalillo
A sheltered cove reached by a long staircase. Check sea conditions before swimming.

Playa Bacocho
For a beach-club day or a turtle-release experience. Ask about access and current sessions.

Laguna de Manialtepec
Take a night boat tour to look for bioluminescent plankton; visibility varies.

Wander & go out

Casa Wabi
An art foundation in Tadao Ando's coastal building. Guided visits require advance booking.

Punta Cometa
Head towards Mazunte for a short headland hike and a memorable sunset.

Punta Zicatela
Wander among small shops and cafes, then stay for dinner, bars and a lively evening.

A note on the ocean

Choose sheltered bays and check local conditions before swimming. Open Zicatela has powerful surf: enjoy the view from the sand.

Leave room for unplanned afternoons. Book Casa Wabi ahead, and allow time for the drive along the coast.

Tap a place name for Maps or booking details.

MERIDA



Leafy plazas, slow evenings & Yucatecan flavours.

STAY & EAT



Leafy courtyards, local flavours & market mornings.

Stay

Casa Lecanda
A restored colonial mansion with lush courtyards.

Rosas & Xocolate
Pink mansions on Paseo de Montejo, transformed into a boutique hotel.

Coqui Coqui
An intimate, romantic stay with its own perfumery. Enquire at L'Epicerie Mérida.

Chablé Yucatán
A luxury hacienda and spa outside the city, set around a private cenote.

A little planning

HOW LONG
Four to six days for Mérida and the peninsula.

GETTING THERE
Fly into Mérida; about two hours from Mexico City.

WHERE TO STAY
Centro, Paseo de Montejo or a restored hacienda outside town.

DON'T MISS
Cochinita pibil, a cenote swim and Uxmal.

IN MARCH
Hot, often above 30 degrees C. Plan ruins and cenotes for the morning.

Eat

Manjar Blanco
Yucatecan classics such as queso relleno and lomitos de Valladolid.

Nol
Contemporary cooking built around Yucatecan ingredients.

Apoala
Oaxaca meets Yucatán on Parque Santa Lucía.

MUGY
The Museum of Yucatecan Gastronomy: ask about the cochinita earth-oven experience.

Tacos & breakfast

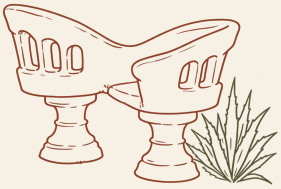
Wayan'e
Guisado tacos. Go early: the favourites sell out.

La Lupita
Panuchos and tortas at Parque de Santiago.

Volta
Green chilaquiles and a horchata espresso.

Tap a place name for Maps or booking details.

DRINK & WANDER



Cantinas, local craft & unhurried city strolls.

Drink

La Negrita
A century-old cantina with a tropical patio and live music.

Acervo Mezcalero
A deep mezcal list and staff who love to explain it.

Patio Petanca
Cocktails and a game of pétanque.

Shop

Casa Thó
Mexican design, fashion and a cafe in a mansion on Paseo de Montejo.

Taller Maya
Fair-trade crafts made by Maya artisans.

Mercado Lucas de Gálvez
The huge central market. Come hungry.

IN THE CITY

Paseo de Montejo
A grand boulevard of mansions. Stroll in the late afternoon with a marquesita.

Parque Santa Lucía
A leafy square at the centre of Mérida's evening life.

Slow down & eat well

Maya heritage, leafy patios and streets of colonial houses. Leave room for a market breakfast, local craft and an evening in the plaza.

Tap a place name for Maps or booking details.

YUCATAN PENINSULA



Ancient cities, hidden waters & a little adventure.



BEYOND MERIDA

Ruins, cenotes, haciendas & the Caribbean.

OVERVIEW EXPLORE THE PENINSULA

Ruins

Uxmal
Elegant Puuc architecture and a quieter alternative to Chichén Itzá.

Chichén Itzá
The iconic Maya city. Arrive at opening time.

Ek Balam
A Maya city near Valladolid, with a cenote nearby.

Cenotes

Cuzamá
Three cenotes reached by horse-drawn cart along old rail tracks.

Ik Kil
A vine-draped cenote close to Chichén Itzá.

Suytun
A dramatic cave cenote near Valladolid, en route to Cancún or Playa del Carmen.

Haciendas & luxury

Chablé Yucatán
Restored hacienda in Chocholá, with private-pool casitas and a cenote spa.

Hacienda Temozón Sur
Coral-red hacienda with lush gardens and a pool; a peaceful stay near Mérida.

Towns & coast

Izamal
The yellow city, with a vast convent built on a Maya platform.

Valladolid
Colourful colonial town and a good base for Chichén Itzá and Ek Balam.

Celestún
Boat tours through the mangroves to look for flamingos.

Sisal
Quiet fishing village with soft sand and fresh ceviche.

Tulum
A Caribbean coastal town with a walled Maya city perched above the sea.

Bacalar
The seven-colour lagoon for kayaking. Plan two to three nights; south of Tulum, it is a longer detour from the route to Cancún.

A little planning

Celestún and Sisal are coastal detours west of Mérida. Valladolid is a useful stop as you head east towards Cancún.

Around 20-21 March, expect equinox crowds at Chichén Itzá. Consider Uxmal or Ek Balam that week.

Tap a place name for Maps or visitor details.

MORE LOCATIONS



So much more to fall in love with.

KEEP EXPLORING



We know many of you are making a bigger adventure of your trip to Mexico. Here are a few more places we would love you to discover.

Beaches & the sea

Los Cabos
Baja California Sur. Exceptional hotels, exciting gastronomy and dramatic desert-meets-ocean scenery.

Sea of Cortés
Charter a boat or catamaran, or join a marine safari to discover wildlife, islands and desert shores. Sightings vary by season.

La Paz
A relaxed Baja California Sur base for beautiful bays, Balandra and boat trips to Espíritu Santo. A lovely pairing with Los Cabos.

Mazunte
A laid-back village on the Oaxaca coast: beach days, little cafes and sunsets from Punta Cometa.

Careyes
A secluded corner of Jalisco's Pacific coast, known for colourful villas, striking architecture and beautiful coves.

Cities, wine & culture

Valle de Guadalupe
Baja California's wine country near Ensenada: beautiful vineyards, cellar tastings, inventive food and boutique stays.

Guadalajara
Culture, mariachi and wonderful food. Add a day in Tequila for agave fields and distilleries, an outing to Lake Chapala and time for the crafts of Tlaquepaque.

Puebla
A beautiful colonial city east of Mexico City, with Talavera tiles, grand churches and a rich food tradition. Come for mole poblano, cemitas and a visit to nearby Cholula.

Nature & traditions

Chiapas
Highland towns, jungle and Maya heritage. Explore San Cristóbal de las Casas, Sumidero Canyon and Palenque, allowing several days to travel between them.

A little planning

Los Cabos and La Paz are in Baja California Sur. Valle de Guadalupe is far north in Baja California: combine them as separate stops, with a flight or an extended road trip.

Closer to Mexico City, Puebla and nearby Cholula make a lovely extension before or after the wedding.

Tap a place name for Maps or destination details.

FOR COMING ALL THIS WAY

GRACIAS



Thank you for travelling all this way to celebrate our wedding with us. Having you here means more than we can say.

We hope you find time to discover the beauty of Mexico, fall in love with its food and places, and make wonderful memories along the way.

The best part of this journey is sharing it with you.

With love,

Paulina & Carlo