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ISC Art Tour

Guadalajara / Mexico City / Puebla / Cuernavaca
Jan 31 – Feb 9, 2020
Travel independently from the USA arriving in Guadalajara’s International Airport.

Guadalajara’s airport receives non-stop flights from the following major US airports and airlines, so you may choose your best option:

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At your own expense, you may request MCT a private car and driver to pick you up at the airport and transfer you to the hotel; this can be arranged by us and charged to your hotel bill as extra.

**Afternoon check in to The Westin Guadalajara.**

The Westin Guadalajara is a luxurious 4-star hotel conveniently located near the center of Guadalajara.

Group gathers at the Bar of the Hotel for a Welcome Cocktail and brief welcome by Johannah Hutchison.

**Group dinner at Alcalde.**

#36 in the Top 50 Best Restaurants in Latin America.

In the four years since its opening, Alcalde’s star has quickly ascended, winning the One to Watch Award in Latin America’s 50 Best Restaurants 2016 and this year entering the list as Highest New Entry. Chef Francisco ‘Paco’ Ruano’s simple, ‘frank’ Mexican cooking in a stylish, welcoming setting in Guadalajara makes diners want to return again and again.
Saturday
Feb 1, 2020

GUADALAJARA

Spend the day visiting art galleries and artist’s studios exploring the vibrant contemporary art scene of Guadalajara, that comes to life during this weekend in celebration of the Zona Maco art fair.

Art Galleries such as: Travesia Cuatro, Páramo.

Artist Studios, such as: Gabriel Rico, Octavio Abundez, Luis Alfonso Villalobos, Jose Davila, Jorge Mendez Blake, Gonzalo Lebrija, Daniel Guzmán.

In the afternoon, we will attend the fabulous and traditional party of Ceramica Suro. Every year, Noe Suro throws the house out the window for the art crowd people to celebrate the zona maco week.

A family-owned ceramics studio, Cerámica Suro opened in the 1950s to manufacture wares for luxury hotels. When José Noé Suro, the son of the original owner, took over the factory, he invited some of his artist friends such as Jorge Pardo among others, to collaborate on special projects and began producing dinnerware for some of Mexico’s top restaurants.

Enjoy the many food options at the Ceramic Suro Party.

Transfer to hotel for a break before dinner.

Group dinner at Anita Li.
Fun, casual and lively atmosphere paired with excellent dining. We will try their famous jicama tacos among other things!
City tour of Guadalajara including main landmarks.

With 5 million residents, Guadalajara has its share of diverse people. There’s enough beauty, fashion, and style to make you want to spend the entire time shopping and there will be plenty of opportunities. We will start in trendy Tlaquepaque, a pedestrian-only zone of 300+ shops, bohemian boutiques, historical homes, and restaurants that double as galleries. From clothing and jewelry to ceramics and works by Sergio Bustamante, this artisan village has enough colorful finds to satisfy your souvenir cravings.

Refuel at Casa Luna in the colonial heart of Tlaquepaque.

From Tlaquepaque, head downtown to the city’s most famous landmark, the Guadalajara Cathedral, with neo-Gothic towers and domes that date back to 1561. Stroll through Plaza Mariachi to reach Hospicio Cabañas, a UNESCO World Heritage Site with frescoes from José Clemente Orozco, one of the greatest Mexican muralists of the 20th century.

If you haven’t filled your shopping quota, visit San Juan de Dios (Mercado Libertad), the largest covered market in Latin America.

Break at hotel.

Dinner party at home of artist Eduardo Sarabia.

Eduardo Sarabia’s work has been inspired by the independent economies and folk history of northern Mexico. He frequently works with the materials favored by local craftspeople, using ceramic tiles, hand-woven textiles, and glass to create sculptures and installations that address the complex exchanges—social, cultural, and material—that occur when this region and its history encounters outsiders.
TEQUILA, JALISCO DAY TRIP

Group lunch included. Travel time from GDL: 1 hour. Time for Tequila—the town, not to be confused with the beverage (which you will undoubtedly try). Visit a couple of distilleries and learn about the history and how the most famous spirit of Mexico is made. You’ll know you’ve arrived by the blue agave fields that stretch for miles over rugged terrain. All of the world’s tequila is produced in this region, making it popular with travelers visiting the town’s 18th-century church, the National Museum of Tequila.

Return to hotel around dinner time. Dinner on your own.
Morning: group transfer to airport, for group flight to Mexico City.

**Lunch at The Hidden Kitchen.**

Enjoy a meal at closed doors in this secret restaurant for connoisseurs only, an open kitchen and friendly staffs of chefs and cooks allows you to see and get involved with the cooking.

**Close by, visit the workshop of fashion designer Carla Fernandez.**

Carla Fernández is a Mexican fashion designer from Saltillo, Coahuila, based in Mexico City. She has gained international recognition for her precise approach to documenting and preserving the rich textile heritage of Mexico’s indigenous communities by transforming it into abstract contemporary clothing, and proving that tradition is anything but static.

Check in to W Hotel Polanco.

Break at hotel.

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**Private cocktail at Proyectos Monclova Gallery.**

Proyectos Monclova was established in 2005 in Mexico City as an experimental platform for emerging artists. Expanding and consolidating its program over the years, the gallery has evolved into one of the most important forums for contemporary art in Mexico, emphasizing on the dialogue between local and international artists from different generations.

Dinner at a Top Restaurant near the gallery (TBD).
Artist studio visit: Gabriel de la Mora.

Following a meticulous process, Gabriel de la Mora researches, collects, classifies, catalogues, and manipulates remarkably diverse materials. These materials are familiar, taken from quotidien objects – his ongoing series The weight of thought for example, repurposes leather and rubber shoe soles. de la Mora’s materials of choice are those often considered waste or residue: collected artifacts and antiques, obsolete mechanical and utilitarian objects, parts, corporeal matter, architectural scrap. Through these, De la Mora explores finitude and permanence, the passing of time, its bracketing, and the transformation of matter and energy alike. Gabriel de la Mora was born in Mexico City in 1968, where he still lives and works. He earned an MFA from Pratt Institute, NY and a BFA in Architecture from Universidad Anáhuac del Norte, Mexico City.

Zona Maco VIP preview.

Lunch on your own at the fair (not included).

According to ArtNet.com: Mexico City’s Zona Maco Is Exhilarating, Inviting, and Full of Heavy-Hitting Art. Zona Maco maintains its position as the premier international art fair in Latin America.

Visit Salon Acme and Material Art Fair, which are 2 parallel events to Zona Maco.

Return to hotel.

Private Dinner at secret location with Chef Jair Tellez (Amaya, Merotoro).

Tijuana-born chef and winemaker Jair Téllez’s intimate “fine dining hack” known as Mesa B, is a supper club that’s actually cool and features innovative dishes cooked right in front of you alongside natural wine pairings.
Thursday
Feb 6, 2020

PUEBLA

Day trip to Puebla.

- Early morning departure to Puebla, after breakfast at hotel. Travel time 3 hours. **Those travelers going to Cuernavaca must check out of the W Hotel in Mexico City, early morning before departing towards Puebla.
- Arrive to Museo Amparo, buffet lunch in the Terrace of the Museum. Joined by Museum Director Ramiro Martinez.
- Walking tour of Historic Center of Puebla, visiting Biblioteca Palafoxiana, Cathedral, among others.
- Visit the recently opened Museo Internacional del Barroco, building designed by Toyo Ito. Early dinner at Casa Reyna
- **Those travelers departing on the 7th will return to Mexico City, Overnight at W Hotel.
- **Those travelers going to Cuernavaca, stay in Puebla after dinner-- Overnight in Puebla (Hotel TBD)
Friday
Feb 7, 2020

MEXICO CITY - USA

Free morning.
- Hotel check out at noon.
- Independent transfer to airport.

-or-

PUEBLA – CUERNAVACA

For travelers who are continuing on to Cuernavaca
- Breakfast and hotel check out. Depart from Puebla towards Cuernavaca (travel time 2 hours).
- Arrive in Cuernavaca around noon.
- Visit an artist’s studio.
- Lunch at Las Mañanitas.
- Visit an artist’s studio.
- Hotel check in (break, relax, maybe book a massage).
- Depart for dinner at the private collection of (late) artist Ricardo Martinez.
Saturday
Feb 8, 2020
CUERNAVACA

• Guided tour of Robert Brady Museum.
• Guided tour of Contemporary Art Museum Juan Soriano.
• Lunch at the home of artists Teresa Serrano and Miguel Angel Rios, in Tepoztlán.
• Walk through Tepoztlán Market. Optional: Climb to the Piramide del Tepozteco.
• Return to hotel. Farewell dinner at Hotel.

Sunday
Feb 9, 2020
CUERNAVACA

• Early morning check-out, breakfast and departure to Mexico City's international airport (2 hour travel time to airport).
• It is suggested to book a flight that leaves in the afternoon-early evening - ETA 11am to airport
Included:

• 4 nights of accommodations, In room Wi-Fi.
• All hotel taxes, Daily breakfast, Gratuities for bellboys and chambermaids.
• Welcome cocktail.
• Meals: 3 lunches + 3 dinners at top-rated restaurant in both cities. All menus will be pre-selected by MCT with various choices to select for main course; non-alcoholic beverages + wine (pre-selected) and beer. Some meals may include a welcome cocktail. Service included. Any additional alcohol consumption will be billed separately.
• Ground transportation: air-conditioned premium bus equipped with bottled water at all times.
• Entrance fees to all museums and public sites.
• English speaking guides, experts and scholars.
• Mexico Cultural Travel escort, accompanying the group at all times.

Not Included:

• International airfare to and from Mexico
• Individual transportation or shuttle service from/to Airport to/from Hotel (can be requested).
• Trip cancellation insurance (recommended).
• Incidental hotel expenses (alcoholic beverage from mini bar, phone calls, laundry, etc.).
• Alcohol consumption at meals, beyond wine and beer.

Trip Cost

Partial Trip: GUADALAJARA ONLY

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Included:

• 7 hotel nights total, In room Wi-Fi.
• All hotel taxes, Daily breakfast, Gratuities for bellboys and chambermaids.
• Welcome cocktail.
• Meals: 5 lunches + 6 dinners at top-rated restaurant in both cities. All menus will be pre-selected by MCT with various choices to select for main course; non-alcoholic beverages + wine (pre-selected) and beer. Some meals may include a welcome cocktail. Service included. Any additional alcohol consumption will be billed separately.
• Ground transportation: air-conditioned premium bus equipped with bottled water at all times.
• Group flight between Guadalajara and Mexico City (coach).
• Entrance fees to all museums and public sites.
• English speaking guides, experts and scholars.
• Mexico Cultural Travel escort, accompanying the group at all times.

Not Included:

• International airfare to and from Mexico
• Individual transportation or shuttle service from/to Airport to/from Hotel (can be requested).
• Trip cancellation insurance (recommended).
• Incidental hotel expenses (alcoholic beverage from mini bar, phone calls, laundry, etc.).
• Alcohol consumption at meals, beyond wine and beer.

Trip Cost

Full Trip: GUADALAJARA - MEXICO CITY - PUEBLA

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Trip Cost Table

Included:

• 7 hotel nights total, In room Wi-Fi.
• All hotel taxes, Daily breakfast, Gratuities for bellboys and chambermaids.
• Welcome cocktail.
• Meals: 5 lunches + 6 dinners at top-rated restaurant in both cities. All menus will be pre-selected by MCT with various choices to select for main course; non-alcoholic beverages + wine (pre-selected) and beer. Some meals may include a welcome cocktail. Service included. Any additional alcohol consumption will be billed separately.
• Ground transportation: air-conditioned premium bus equipped with bottled water at all times.
• Group flight between Guadalajara and Mexico City (coach).
• Entrance fees to all museums and public sites.
• English speaking guides, experts and scholars.
• Mexico Cultural Travel escort, accompanying the group at all times.

Not Included:

• International airfare to and from Mexico
• Individual transportation or shuttle service from/to Airport to/from Hotel (can be requested).
• Trip cancellation insurance (recommended).
• Incidental hotel expenses (alcoholic beverage from mini bar, phone calls, laundry, etc.).
• Alcohol consumption at meals, beyond wine and beer.
### Included:
- 9 hotel nights total, In room Wi-Fi.
- All hotel taxes, Daily breakfast, Gratuities for bellboys and chambermaids
- Welcome cocktail.
- Meals: 7 lunches + 8 dinners at top-rated restaurants in all cities. All menus will be pre-selected by MCT with various choices to select for main course; non-alcoholic beverages + wine (pre-selected) and beer. Some meals may include a welcome cocktail. Service included. Any additional alcohol consumption will be billed separately.
- Ground transportation: air-conditioned premium bus equipped with bottled water at all times.
- Group flight between Guadalajara and Mexico City (coach).
- Transportation back to Mexico City’s international airport on departure.
- Entrance fees to all museums and public sites.
- English speaking guides, experts and scholars.
- Mexico Cultural Travel escort, accompanying the group at all times.

### Not Included:
- International airfare to and from Mexico.
- Individual transportation or shuttle service from Guadalajara airport to hotel
- Trip cancellation insurance (recommended).
- Incidental hotel expenses (alcoholic beverage from mini bar, phone calls, laundry, etc.).
- Alcohol consumption at meals, beyond wine and beer

### Trip Cost

**Full Trip + Cuernavaca: GUADALAJARA - MEXICO CITY - PUEBLA - CUERNAVACA**

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