

THE BEST OF YUCATAN A LA CARTE

4 DAYS / 3 NIGHTS

Departure: Monday / Service: Regular / Minimum: 2 PAX

EK BALAM / CHICHEN ITZA / VALLADOLID / CENOTE
MERIDA / UXMAL / RUTA PUUC / CENOTES / HACIENDA

**DAY 1 (MONDAY):) CANCUN / EK BALAM / CENOTE
CHICHEN ITZA / MERIDA**

We depart in the morning towards the magnificent archeological site of Ek Balam, protected by two great stone rings and its magnificent Mayan Arc, which will give us access to the religious center where the Mayan elite once resided. We will visit the Observatory, the Ball Game, the great acropolis and the imposing Tomb of the Governor, towering over 72 feet high and over 180 feet wide, decorated with exquisite carvings covered in plaster, representing the tetramorphic masks. As we conclude our visit, we will then explore a cenote, a marvelous natural wonder, considered a sacred place by the Mayan culture and a font of life for the development of their civilization. We will have time to take a break and dive into its refreshing waters. Later, we will head to the colonial city of Valladolid, the second city founded in Yucatan. We will enjoy a brief tour then continue onwards to Chichen-Itza. After we arrive at Chichen-Itza, we will explore the ruins of this Patrimony of Humanity (UNESCO). We will visit the Temple of Kukulcan, one of the New Seven Wonders of the Modern World. We will take an excursion through the central settlement, the sacred cenote, the ball game and the observatory. After we continue onwards towards Merida, capital of the state of Yucatan, known also as "The White City." In the city we will tour the Paseo de Montejo, the Monument to La Patria, the Plaza Grande with its grand cathedral and the Palaces of Government. Overnight hotel stay in Merida.

DAY 2 (TUESDAY):) MERIDA / (UXMAL / MERIDA (B)

Breakfast and departure from the hotel. We will visit the archeological site of Uxmal, one of the greatest capitals of the Mayan city-states. Built in the classical era, its exquisite architecture representing the "Puuc," style, offers exquisitely detailed etchings and sculptures. Using tiny, perfectly polished stones, they form geometrical mosaics the likes of which are not seen anywhere else in the Mayan heartland. This speaks of the great cultural development this civilization achieved. We will visit the Palace of the Governor, The Nunnery Quadrangle, The House of Turtles, The Ball Game, The Quadrangle of Birds and the Temple of the Magician. Return to Merida.



DAY 3 (WEDNESDAY):) MERIDA (B)

OUR TOURS A LA CARTE:

a) The Puuc Route and the Grottos of Lol-Tun.

Breakfast at the hotel. After, we make our departure towards the Grottos of Lol-Tun, meaning "Flower of Stone" in Mayan. These grottos are the largest in the Yucatan Peninsula, and the most studied. Evidence of human settlements have been found here dating as far back as 7,000 years ago.

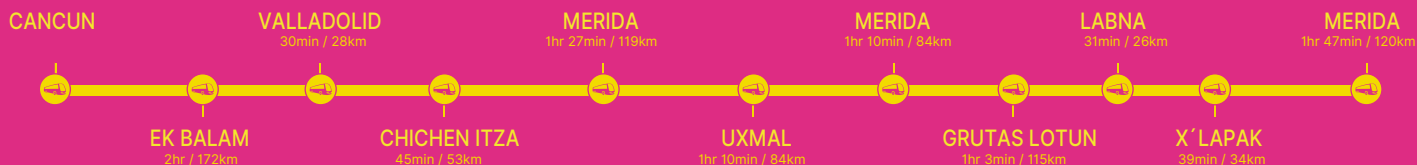
At the start of the excursion we will see the famous etchings of the bas-relief known as "The Warrior of Lol-Tun," which appears to be emerging from the grottos in representation of the god of the underworld.

After we head towards the "Puuc Route" ("Puuc" means "Mounds" in Mayan). Our first stop is the archeological site of Labna, meaning "Old Home." This small site was once a very important Mayan settlement that reached famous for its laborious constructions with a very famous the height of its splendor between 600 and 900 AD. It is arc, notable by its perfection and fine ornamentation. We then explore the archeological site of X-Lapak, greatest jewels of the Puuc architectural style, the meaning "accient wall" Here you will find one of the Palace. We conclude the excursion and return to our Palace. We conclude the excursion and return to our hotel in Merida.

Includes: Transportation in AC-controlled unit certified guide and entrance fees t the archeological sites.

Not included: Meals, souvenirs and any tips for the guide or operators.

OPTION A



APPROXIMATE DISTANCES AND TIMES

b) Cenotes & Haciendas of Yucatan.

Departure from the hotel, where we begin our journey to Yucatan's past. On this route we will visit the Hacienda of Tahdzibichen, with a guided tour of the history of the plantation and the "green gold" of another era, henequen.

We continue to the famous hacienda of Uayalceh, where its ancient ruins evoke the beautiful constructions that appear as if frozen in time. With the help of our guide, we will get to know the ancient architectural styles and further details of this location.

After we will visit the cenotes of "Yaal-Utzil" and "Peba," both unique natural jewels hidden in the tropical brush of Yucatan. Our journey continues towards another hacienda to break for lunch and to explore what it has to offer.

Includes: Transportation in AC-controlled vehicle, certified guide and entrance fee to the cenotes and haciendas.

Not included: Beverages during the meal, any souvenirs or tips for the guide or operators.

DAY 4 (THURSDAY):) MERIDA / CANCUN (B)

After our breakfast, we will have free time to explore Merida. You will have time to visit the historical city center, as well as its very important Paseo de Montejo Avenue. You can relax at the central park at one of the famous cafes or ice cream parlors of the city. After, we return to Cancun or the Riviera Maya at the agreed-upon time.



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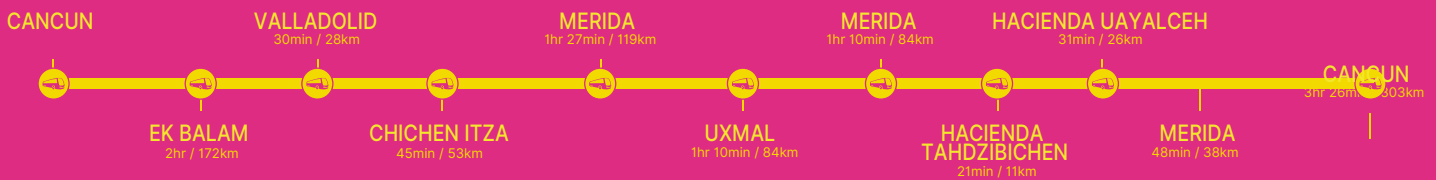
- Excursions according to the program.
- Transportation in A/C controlled vehicles.
- Certified bilingual guide (English & Spanish) during every day of the circuit.
- Entrance fees to the archeological sites, museums and destinations mentioned in the program.

NOT INCLUDED:

- Beverages during meals.
- National or international flights
- Personal expenses.
- Tips for tour guides or operators.

DISTANCE TABLE

OPTION B



APPROXIMATE DISTANCES AND TIMES

HOTEL OPTIONS FOR THE PROGRAM

CITY	CATEGORY	HOTEL	MEAL PLAN
Merida	Tourist-class	HOLIDAY INN	American Breakfast
	First-class	HYATT REGENCY	

*Due to availability, other similar hotels may apply.

*Lodging with breakfast meal plan included. (2 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch Included).

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- For the purposes of the operation, the order of the visits and excursions may change, without detriment to the content of the itinerary (with the exception of concerns regarding safety, for which there is no reimbursement or compensation).
- All of the prices provided are net, non-commissionable rates and include taxes.
- Rates are in USD.
- Rates are subject to changes without notice and to hotel availability.
- Hotel reservation are not guaranteed until after the corresponding confirmation of payment by the clients.
- Minor rates apply to children between 2-10 years of age. Children 11 years and older pay as adults.
- All of the corresponding payment, reservation and cancellation policies will be provided when managing the reservation, this is for special instances of immediately upcoming arrivals.

PAYMENT POLICY:

- In order to guarantee and block your group, a deposit of 20% of the total value must be received up to 10 business day following confirmation and receipt of the contract.
- For circuits during the following dates, rates are based on hotel disposition and require immediate payment in order to confirm lodging and services: High season (Dic 10th to Jan 1st), End of Year, Festivals, holidays, local events, congresses and other important events.
- All deposits will be scheduled in the contract. The total sum of the circuit must be deposited in full no later than 25 days prior to arrival.
- The details and account numbers for the deposits will be provided upon confirmation.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

- - 10% of total fee if the cancelation takes place between 30 and 35 days prior to start of service.
- - 25% of total fee if the cancelation takes place between 20 and 15 days prior to start of service.
- - 50% of total fee if the cancelation takes place 9 days prior to start of service.
- - 100% of total fee in the event of a no-show.
- No Shows, same-day cancellations and early departures will be charged the total sum for the full stay, based on group rates.
- Reimbursements do not apply. Any positive balance with the agency will be available for application on future reservations.

