# Mexico City Highlights Itinerary: March 29-April 2, 2017

Our Mexico City Trip takes you from Pre-Columbian sites to Modern Wonders. Mexico City with stunning architecture, sizzling modern art, ancient history, zany murals, and terrific food. Our hotel is located in the Zona Rosa, on a popular shopping street that is safe and fun for us to explore. Our groups to Mexico City loved the hotel and its proximity to the Central Plaza, famous Cathedral and shopping generally.

**Price:** \$ 1499

Single Supplement: \$260

Deposit: \$400, to be sent with your Booking Form, which is below.

Our trip includes:

4 nights 4 star hotel Center of Mexico City (Hampton Inn and Suites, a restored

historic building)

5 Breakfasts and 4 Restaurant Dinners, with a la carte menus, with one glass of wine Modern Mercedes Bus and English Speaking Guide

All Tours mentioned with entrance Fees

Transfer from Mexico City Airport Terminal 1 on March 29 **for flights that land before 3PM** to hotel one way. Return transfers arranged optionally at the hotel Front Desk. We will help coordinate shares for the return transfers.

Services of Group Tour Escort

Tips for maids and porters

Full documentation and Helpful Hints sent with final documents Extra nights and private transfers optionally available.

**Day 1** Arrive Mexico City **by 3PM** for group transfer to our 4 star historic hotel in the Zona Rosa neighborhood of Mexico City. Tonight we have a group dinner nearby, with local favorites. Our guide will accompany us to dinners as well as on our private bus for touring. If you arrive at a different time, please ask for a private transfer at an optional cost.



Day 2 This morning, after breakfast, we embark on a city walk, to see Diego Rivera murals in several buildings, including Colegio de IlDefonso, the Jesuit building with historic murals by José Clemente Orozco, Fernando Leal, Diego Rivera. We visit murals at The Secretariat of Education. This afternoon we drive to Coyoacan to experience the life of Frida Kahlo. We include her Casa Azul with brief time for optional shopping/wandering in this historic village, on cobbled streets and past colorful houses. Dinner in a local

restaurant with wine/water.

**Day 3** We begin at Chapultepec Park, an icon in the middle of Mexico City The park is next to the world famous Anthropological Museum, considered one of the most important natural history museums in the world. We tour the museum with our guide; it is magnificently presented with artifacts from all over Mexico and from many civilizations. For lunch we reserved in the museum's lovely restaurant; if you wish to join us optionally, you will only pay for what you order. Please let us know ahead of time.

In the afternoon we visit the Palacio des Bellas Artes. Immense murals by world-famous Mexican artists dominate the top floors of this splendid white-marble palace, a concert hall and arts center commissioned by President Porfirio Díaz. Construction on the iconic building began in 1905 under Italian architect Adamo Boari, who favored neoclassical and art nouveau styles. (The second museum will be part of our tour: tentatively today also).

Day 4 The Anthropology Museum visit a day earlier is an excellent introduction to Teotihuacan, 30 miles away and the site of the most significant pre Columbian pyramids. Teotihuacan is also important for its complex, multi-family residential compounds, the Avenue of the Dead, and many colored murals.

The 32 square miles of Teotihuacan are a UNESCO World Heritage Site and are surrounded by a local crafts market.

We have added to this day a visit to the **Basilica of our Lady of Guadelupe**, the national shrine of Mexico. Since 1531, the Basilica has been one of the most important pilgrimage sites globally with millions of visitors annually. Dinner together tonight, wine/water.



**Day 5** Today is for modern Mexico, with visits to two startling new museums: Soumaya and Jumex. The two are what The New York Times hailed as 'A Showcase for Ambition'. Time permitting we end at a local market for last minute gifts. Photo: our 2016 Group in front of Soumaya Museum.

Check out is at noon. Extra nights at a discount available. Airport transfers approximately 2PM

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