





PARADES • PRISTINE REEFS • PARADISE!

Ten kilometers/six miles off the coast of Mexico's Yucatán Peninsula lies Cozumel, the "Island of the Swallows." Barely 50 by 16 kilometers/30 by 10 miles, this diminutive island has become a popular scuba diving destination. Cozumel has all the ingredients for a great dive getaway friendly locals, good food, lively nightspots, towering coral formations, warm water, great underwater visibility and white sandy beaches. Most dive sites are found within the boundaries of Cozumel Reefs National Marine Park, which protects much of the second largest barrier reef system in the world, the Meso-American reef system. Created in 1996, the park is home to some 26 types of corals with more than 100 subspecies. More than 500 fish species live in the park, including the endemic splendid toadfish. Due to marine life protection programs, divers can also often see loggerhead, hawksbill and green turtles. From shallow sheltered shore dives to secluded, seldom visited, currentswept drift dives, there's a dive in Cozumel for everyone.

The Cozumel Carnival or Carnaval de Cozumel is one of the most important carnaval festivities in México. It has been celebrated as a tradition beginning from the late nineteenth century and fills Cozumel's streets with parades. It begins the week before Mardi-Gras in February. Cozumel's Carnaval is a tradition which has been passed down through many generations that celebrates a mixture of cultures that escaped to the warm embrace of Cozumel. Dating back to the mid 1800s, Cozumel Carnaval was started by young people dressed in vibrantly colorful costumes known as "Estudiantinas" or "Comparsas", who expressed themselves in the streets of Cozumel through the art form of dance, song, and fantasy.

- TRIP DETAILS / PACKAGE INCLUDES -

- Two options available for hotel accommodations (full details explained on back side of this flyer)
- 7 Nights' Accommodations
- 5 Days of 2 Tank Dive; Includes Tanks and Weights
- Single, Non-Diver Rates and Boat Dive Add-Ons are Available
- Please Contact LDC Trip Leader Kathy Read at 757-481-7949 or email at ikread@hotmail.com



















· Saffari Inn Hotel -

- Downtown Water View Accomodations (Basic No Frills Hotel)
- \$690 PP (Double Diver)
- \$940 PP (Single Diver)
- \$625 PP (Triple Quint Diver)
- Free WiFi

— Casa Mexicana Hotel —

- · Moderate City Ocean View Resort Style Hotel
- \$995 PP (Double Diver)
- \$1439 PP (Single Diver)
- · Full Buffet Breakfast Daily
- · Free WiFi, Pool, Bar, and TV





— ADDITIONAL COSTS —

- Airport Transfers
- Crew Gratuities
- Meals (If Staying at Safari Inn)
- Personal Items
- Divers & Travelers Insurance
- Marine Park Fees (\$15)

PAYMENT DETAILS —

- · Payments are Non- Refundable Unless Spot is Sold
- Must Complete a Trip Application and Pay a \$300 Deposit to Reserve Your Spot
- Final Payment Due: 01/15/2018





- LDC ECO/OCEAN FRIENDLY TRAVEL TIPS —

As divers, we share a deep respect for our ocean planet and the diversity of life it supports. We also know what's at stake if we don't protect our environment. Divers can make a difference. Each time we travel, dive and immerse ourselves in new destinations, here's what we can do to help:

- · Leave Only Bubbles: Minimize waste and pack your trash for home.
- Take Only Pictures: Leave shells, coral and other natural treasures in place.
- Be Buoyant: Avoid touching reefs and other natural areas with your body, dive gear, cameras and other underwater equipment.

- Lighten Your Lodging Footprint: Turn off lights, reduce air conditioning, reuse towels and conserve water.
- Choose Sensible Seafood: If seafood is on the menu. make sustainable choices.
- · Buyer Beware: Learn the facts before buying souvenirs made from wildlife. (Note; All sea turtle products are illegal)
- · Support Marine Protected Areas: Contribute via park fees, donations and volunteerism.
- · Set an Example: Cleanup trash, never intentionally touch, feed or handle marine life, and set examples like these for others to follow.

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