

Three Gems Mexican Caravan

An Overview by Previous Caravanners

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CARAVANAS
DE
MEXICO

- A commercial caravan dedicated to Airstreamers
- Dedicated caravan leader manages
 - Logistics
 - Financials
 - Issues
- Airstreamer Liaison



Nogales to Nogales 60 days



CARAVANAS
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- 26 Guided Tours
- 4-Day Copper Canyon Train trip
- Mardi Gras in Mazatlán
- 40 MEALS (many with private bands)
- Hotel (nights)
 - 2 - Taxco
 - 3 - Mexico City
 - 3 - Copper Canyon



3 Gems
Caravan

The Basics

Weather

Plan for a wide
range in
temperatures

Great beach
weather

Snow in the
mountains



The People

Courteous

Friendly & Warm

Conservative



Water

Beware Montezuma's Revenge

- Bottled water readily available & inexpensive
- Options
 - Mexican water in your tank
 - Use bottled water for cooking & drinking
 - Sanitize tank when trip complete
 - Bottled water in your tank

Electricity



- Power iffy in some locations
 - Voltage regulator available at various retailers in MX for about \$100
- 15A & some 30/50A
- Generator use is fine
- We did not need AC anywhere that did not have good power

Fuel

- Gas & Diesel readily available
- Prices slightly less than USA
- Full-Service fuel stations
- DEF – bring your own
- Tolls - \$480

Campsites

Wide variety of conditions
dependent upon locale

Full service to Boondocking

Beaches, mountain-sides,
fields, RV campgrounds, gas
station back-lot



Safety

Green Angels

We never felt unsafe



Food

Many meals included

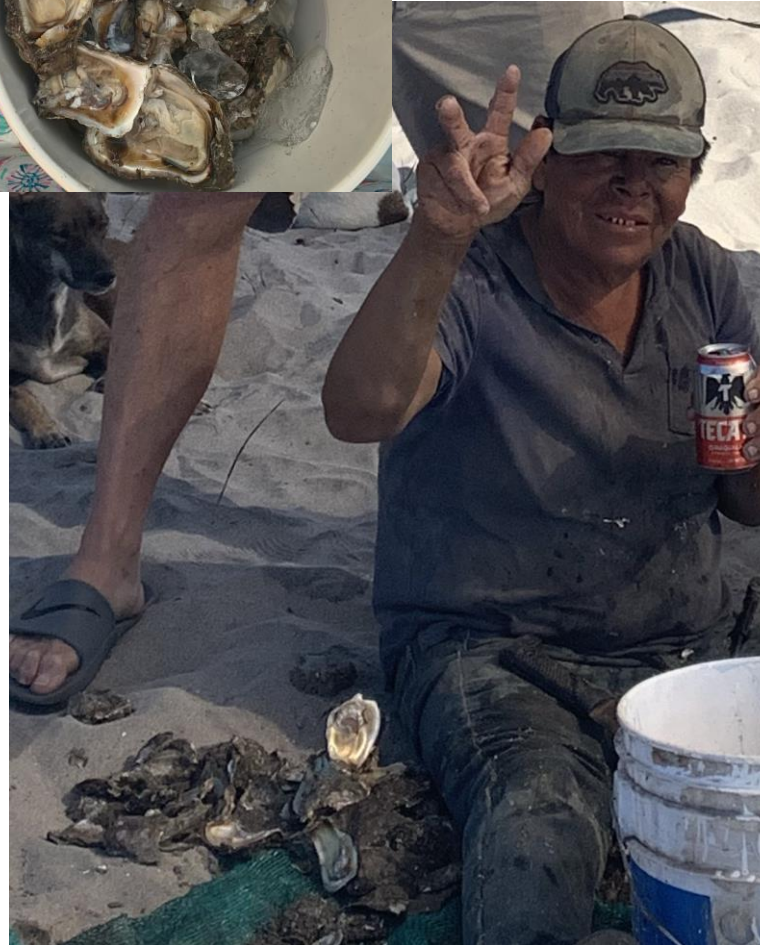
Often accompanied
by our own band



Food & Fun

Numerous potluck
dinners & social hours

Walmart, road-side
stands & small shops



The Food

Lots of
tortillas,
shrimp, Fish,
Chicken &
margaritas



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**Some of what
you'll see**

History

Visited many
historical sites of
significance off
the beaten path

*Notice the absence
of tourists?*



The Pacific

Many beaches have no tourists

Some have villages nearby

Some beaches have tourists, e.g., Mazatlán



Tours

Dedicated
Guides were
quite good &
accommodating



Copper Canyon

4X size of the Grand Canyon

Travel by train

Hotel for 4 nights



<https://youtube.com/clip/UgkxKA90mf-pLoQ6uz3Yedjard1WgCczNL>

Copper Canyon

World's longest &
highest zip lines

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“Most”
roads are
just fine



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... but not all



Road to Durango



180 miles
153 Bridges
63 tunnels

Guanajuato

A walking city

Homes are on the
sides of the
surrounding
mountains

17 miles of roads in
the city are in tunnels



Mexico City

Small, nice buses
dedicated to our
caravan

Dedicated tour guides



Mexico City

Hotel 1 block from
Plaza de la
Constitución

Attended Opera



Taxco

Hotel
access
via
gondola



Taxco

A silver city

Most exciting
taxi rides in
the world



Tequila Distillery



Visited
many
colonial
historical
villages

Often times, the
locals have
never seen an
Airstream



Monarch Butterflies

At over 10,000 ft.
elevation

... and yes, we stayed in
the back-lot of a gas
station



Mardi-Gras Mazatlán

Excellent venue &
food



Itinerary

60 Days
in-country

Nogales, Az	Meet in afternoon, cross border
San Carlos	Totonaka RV Park, Dinner tours
Huatabampito	Beach stay
Alamos	Tours Eve walk-around w/musicians
El Fuerte	Eve El Zorro Show
Copper Canyon	All inclusive 4 day tour
Las Glorias	Beach stay
Mazatlan	Mazatlan Carnival
Durango	Tour
Zacetecas	Tours
Guanajuato	Tours plus San Miguel de Allenede
Patzcuaro	Tours

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Mexico City/Taxco	Tours
Maravatio	Monarch Butterflies
Villa Corona	Tour (Tequila, Pyramids)
Boca beach	Beach
Teacapan	Beach
Celestino	Beach
Concordia	ECLIPSE
Mazatlan	Beach
Los Mochis	Overnight
San Carlos	Overnight
Border	USA

Travel in Mexico

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Mexico has a significantly different history, with roots over 2500 years old if not more; a culture & world view that differs from ours. Its legal system is different, infrastructure is different, social rules are different, the concept of time is different ... They are just different. Without the flexibility to accept things the way they are in Mexico, your caravan experience in Mexico will be compromised.

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Relax don't get upset and be flexible – things will get sorted out ... Not in our way but the Mexican way.

With an open mind, a curiosity as to how life is lived in Mexico and a flexible attitude, you will love your experiences and be loved back by the Mexican people.

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2024

- Dates
 - Not set at this point but normally early to mid-January to mid-April
 - (To be timed with Mazatlán Mardi-Gras)
 - 60 days
- Price
 - \$11,000/couple
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