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OCEAN SAFARIS + GLAMPING

Spring & Summer - Isla Cerralvo

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Concierge Service

Allow us to serve you better! Whether you have special requests, help with a pre-trip adventure, or assistance with transfers or hotel arrangements, our concierges are on standby to assist.

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SeeCreatures

Your choice of meeting us at our host hotel in La Paz or SeeCreatures Cabo with complimentary transfer to La Paz.

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Across from the town square in the heart of Cabo San Lucas and old town.

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How can we be of assistance!

- Transfers
- Hotel
- Dining recommendations
- Scuba and snorkelling trips
- Equipment rental and sales
- Local day boat diving
- Cabo Pulmo adventures
- Group trips to Isla Espiritu Santo
- Sailing adventures
- Trip extensions



What is an ocean safari + glamping on Isla Cerralvo?



A classic Baja Expeditions and Nautilus adventure with a twist: a multi-day ocean safari paired with an island glamping experience in the heart of the Sea of Cortez!

By day, explore in comfort aboard our 48-ft fast boat, supported by two orca-permitted skiffs. By night, gather for fine dining under spectacular starry skies and drift off to sleep to the gentle sound of waves along the shore.

Our pop-up glamping camp is on the beautiful island of Jacques Cousteau Island (known locally as Isla Cerralvo). Cousteau famously called the Sea of Cortez the “world’s aquarium,” and spring is one of the most exciting times to experience it. Warm weather, generally calm seas, and thriving marine life make for unforgettable days on the water.

Every trip is different. Mother ocean has been throwing us curveballs with changing conditions with new animals never been seen in the Sea of Cortez while some of our old favourites have moved on. Fingers crossed on interactions with many of the following:

- Orcas
- Blue whales
- Humpback whales
- Fin whales
- Sperm whales
- Whale sharks
- Pilot whales
- Silky sharks
- Giant manta rays
- Turtles

Our old favourites should be around for sure:

- Schooling “flying” mobula rays
- Super playful California sea lions
- Sea birds galore
- Huge pods of friendly dolphins
- Tornado like schools of fish

Before Leaving Home



We hope you are excited about your upcoming adventure with us!!

You should definitely pack all the typical items for a Mexican vacation, like sunscreen, shorts, bathing suits, sunglasses, hats, windbreaker, and sweater as it can be cooler at night. We are sometimes asked about seasickness and what works best. The Sea of Cortez is generally calm but it's best to be prepared and we say that you can't beat drugs and alcohol! By which we mean "the patch" (scopolamine) and a nice glass of wine! We also have "sea safe" sunscreen and body wash for our guests which helps us preserve the health and vibrance of the Sea of Cortez.

We are not allowed to use generators on the islands, so lights and charging stations are solar powered. 24-hour power, and household electrical power are always available on the mothership. CPAP machines in camp can be specially accommodated with advance notice. Cell reception can be spotty. For a modest fee, you can get StarLink internet, which allows you to stay connected but it is much slower than shoreside due to the complex satellite connection. Streaming services such as Netflix won't be available, so it is best to pre-download all of your movies and shows!

We have a large supply of rental wetsuits, snorkelling gear, and diving equipment. **Please make sure that your pre-trip guest information is completed and submitted to us well in advance so that we can better take care of all of your needs.** The majority of the information is optional, but some information, like your full name and passport information is vital, otherwise the Mexican authorities will not allow you to join us. We are enthusiastic to provide vegetarian, vegan, lactose intolerant, gluten free and quasi-kosher/halal with at least several weeks notice. Keep in mind that you are embarking on an ocean adventure and remote island glamping, so we may not be able to accommodate very specific unique dietary needs.

It is a good idea to make sure that you, yourself, are well maintained and in decent physical condition before your trip. Of course, we accommodate and welcome everybody. However, if going swimming would leave you exhausted and with chest pain, you should be careful about it

There is so much to see in the Sea of Cortez and we will be sure to have binoculars for you as well as our “eagle eyed” crew one critter lookout. We stock rental GoPros and housings at SeeCreatures as well as a selection of SD cards.

Please do **NOT** bring your own alcohol. We don’t allow that. We have a great selection of craft beer, wine, single malt scotches and more, and we are happy to look after special requests if you let us know ahead of time. We have a zero tolerance policy for narcotics and illegal drugs. Marijuana is not legal in Mexico.

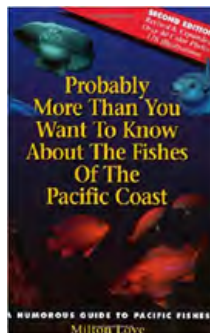
The Sea of Cortez is a magical place and if you can read about it ahead of time, your experience will only be enhanced that much more. Our favourites:



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*The log from the Sea of Cortez
by John Steinbeck*

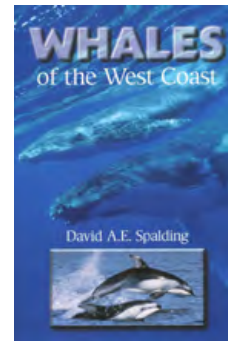
The classic!!! And the book that drew us to Mexico in the first place.



ISBN 0-9628725-5

*Probably More Than You Want to Know about
the Fishes of the Pacific Coast
by Milton Love*

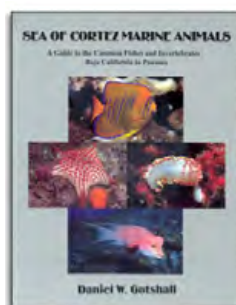
It's a hilarious good read.



ISBN 0-930118-41-3

*Whales of the West Coast
by David A.E. Spalding*

Have you wondered how to tell a blue and finback whale apart?



ISBN 0-930118-26-X

*Sea of Cortez Marine Animals
by our friend and guest, Daniel Gotshal*

This is our bible to the Sea of Cortez.



ISBN 1-55017-199-2

*Sea of Cortez Marine Invertebrates
by Alex Kerstitch and Hans Bertsch*

This will open your eyes to all the little critters.

Flying into SJD, Cabo San Lucas



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If you are arriving by airline, you will be landing at SJD international airport which is a 45 minute drive from our SeeCreatures base in Cabo San Lucas.

The flight attendants should give you a form to fill out if you are on an international flight. You will get a customs declaration and it's important to fill this out accurately.

You might be able to disembark via a jetway or sometimes by portable staircase and then walking across the airport ramp. Either way, if you are on an international flight you will end up going down a staircase into the international arrivals hall to clear immigration. Then on to the baggage hall to collect your luggage before clearing customs. The customs officer will ask you to press a button and you'll get either a green or red light. Green light means it's margarita time. Red light means you will have to open your suitcase for a customs inspection before you can enjoy your margarita. We highly recommend that after leaving customs, you walk straight through the next area past all the nice people trying to offer their assistance and keep going. They are all time share salespeople and the offer of a free sunset cruise and drinks won't seem so cheap after you have been talked into buying a time share. Your transfer company should have a representative waiting outside the arrivals hall with the name of their company on a sign board.

For our guests arriving on a domestic flight, you have it much easier. You will arrive at the old terminal building. Disembark. Collect your bags. Head to Cabo!

Checking in if you are arriving in Cabo from SJD



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We recommend flying into SJD Los Cabo at least 1 day early to avoid any hassles with cancelled or delayed flights or lost luggage. Even better, it gives lots of time for a day trip to dive or snorkel Cabo Pulmo, a Gordo Bank diving adventure. or maybe a 2 tanker "let's get wet" dive out of Cabo. Our concierges are on standby to assist with everything, including hotel, restaurant, and transfer recommendations. If you are arriving on the same day as your trip date, we recommend going straight to SeeCreatures Cabo to check-in, drop off your luggage, and then enjoy the rest of your day.

Please be sure to be back at SeeCreatures Cabo by 4:30 pm at the latest for your complimentary transfer to your hotel in La Paz.

Flying into LAP, La Paz



La Paz is a beautiful city and the capital of Baja California Sur. The airport is small, modern, and easy to navigate. While there are few connecting flights from the United States, there are great connections from the rest of Mexico.

Upon arrival, you will be disembarking from the jet way, with a short walk across the ramp into the terminal. For domestic flights, all you have to do is pick up your luggage and walk outside and you're done. There are no timeshare salesman or aggressive solicitors to worry about.

If you've arranged a transfer with us, your driver will be waiting just outside the terminal, holding a sign with your name. Otherwise, it's completely fine to take a metred taxi into town. It's a 30 minute drive to your hotel.

Please check in upon arrival. We will have a reservation and prepaid room for you. Settle in and relax. Perhaps go for a walk, grab an ice cream cone, or enjoy a stroll along the malecon (boardwalk), which we highly recommend.

We will meet later for drinks, dinner, and an evening presentation by your naturalist.



Sample Itinerary

5 Days / 4 Nights

Day 1 – Arrival in Baja California Sur

Fly into either **Los Cabos (SJD)** or **La Paz (LAP)**. Guests arriving in Los Cabos will enjoy a complimentary transfer from SeeCreatures Cabo. At 4:30 PM, depart to La Paz for. Check-in to the hotel.

In the evening, meet your fellow adventurers over a welcome dinner and naturalist briefing, where we'll share the plan for the days ahead and the remarkable marine life that awaits in the Sea of Cortez.

Day 2 – Ocean Safari & Glamping on Isla Cerralvo

Check out of the hotel (*we will store your suitcases*). Depart at 7:00 AM for Pichilingue. Board the 48-ft fast boat and set out for your first morning ocean safari, with breakfast onboard. Let's see what the safari brings with fingers tightly crossed for big critters.

We will arrive at your glamping camp in time for drinks and a late lunch and some beach relaxation.

Your choice of activities this afternoon. Maybe go kayaking or paddleboarding, swimming or snorkelling, or a beach walk or desert hike with your naturalist. For more relaxation, consider a massage, or head out on another ocean safari.

If orcas appear in the restricted-access zone between Isla Cerralvo and La Ventana, we recommend joining one of our orca-permitted pangas for a possible interaction!

Return to camp in the late afternoon for bartender-prepared drinks at our beach dive bar. Dinner follows, along with an evening presentation. Relax and swap stories under the beautiful, star-filled Mexican sky.

Day 3 – Ocean Safari & Island Exploration

A similar day, except beginning with breakfast at camp. Depart at 7:45 AM aboard the 48-ft fast boat for more ocean safari.

Day 4 – Final Safari & Return to La Paz

Another day of adventure, concluding in La Paz at approximately 6:00 PM. Check in to the local hotel, followed by a naturalist-hosted farewell dinner.

Free time over dinner, a chance to explore downtown La Paz, known for its vibrant street art, ocean-themed sculptures, and scenic malecón (boardwalk) overlooking the Sea of Cortez.

Day 5 – Departure or Continue the Adventure

Breakfast, then hotel check-out. For guests returning to SJD or SeeCreatures Cabo, the coach departs at 8:15 AM.

For connecting flights, we recommend booking departures for 2:00 PM or later. And of course, we encourage you to extend your stay in Baja and head out on another adventure with us!



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WHAT TO BRING

What do I need to pack?

Personal toiletries. Snorkel gear (or travel light and use our rental gear!) Summer wear, noting that nights can sometimes be chilly which makes a sweater or fleece jacket a good addition. Sunscreen (reef-safe sunscreen will be available at camp with our compliments). Towels and bed linen are provided at camp as well.

What wetsuit should I bring?

We are pleased to provide complimentary wetsuits, mask, snorkel and fins on this trip upon prior request. If you are bringing your own gear, water temperatures typically range from 65°F (18°C) in March to 70s°F (20s°C) by May. We recommend a 5 mm wetsuit and a hooded vest.

What kind of safety gear do you provide?

Nautilus LifeLines and SMB safety sausages.

Can I bring my own alcohol?

Sorry, but NO. We carry a great selection of signature drinks, single malts, microbrew beer and a varied wine list, all at very reasonable prices.

WHAT TO EXPECT

What to expect during ocean safaris?

The Sea of Cortez is big, so spotting marine life can take time. When we spot something, we approach respectfully and our experienced naturalists and captains assess whether in-water encounters are appropriate. Some days you might hop in and out of the water six times. Other days, we might spend hours exploring before the perfect moment presents itself. It can be a day full of wildlife encounters or a relatively chill day with fewer animals to spot, that's the nature of wildlife safaris.

Can we guarantee sightings?

Honestly? No, and with decades of experience in these waters, we'd never pretend otherwise. What we can do is put you in the right place at the right time, with guides and captains who know these waters inside out. We note animal movements, follow the conditions, and make smart calls in real time. The rest is up to nature. No feeding schedules, no glass panels, no guarantees. These are wild animals in a wild ocean.

Will we see orcas on these trips?

Spring to early fall is prime orca season here in the Sea of Cortez, and we have regular sightings during those months. That said, orcas are travelers, they can cover 100km a day, so one day they're right here and the next they could be hundreds of kilometers away. Some weeks we see them constantly, other weeks they're more elusive.

Can we swim with orcas?

If we encounter them and conditions align, yes. As of August 2025, Mexico's environmental authority (SEMARNAT) introduced the country's first regulations for orca encounters. These rules apply to a specific zone covering La Ventana Bay and the Cerralvo Channel, we have permitted pangas to operate there.

Swimming is allowed only when orcas are feeding on small prey (fish, rays, mobulas, turtles), not when hunting larger prey, transiting, or resting. Surface swimming only. Our naturalists and captains will read their behavior and make the call.

If we encounter orcas beyond this zone, we follow the same ethical approach: respectful distance, no chasing, animals dictate the terms. Their well-being over photo opportunities, always.

TRAVEL DETAILS

Do I need a passport and/or visa?

All guests must have a passport valid six months from entry. Visas are required from certain countries, please check your specific requirements online. All non-Mexican guests will require an FMM tourist visa.

Do I need travel interruption insurance?

Guests are required to have medical evacuation insurance from a recognized provider before participating in any of our activities. [Click here](#) to purchase coverage. We highly recommend this provider because they are very dependable, reliable, and their policies are reasonably priced. Other providers may not offer the same level of reliability. We also highly recommend the optional purchase of trip interruption insurance, which covers everything from cancelled flights, weather-related delays, lost baggage, and reimbursement if another guest has a medical issue that affects your trip. If you decline coverage, please know that we do not issue credit refunds for anything that's beyond our immediate control.

Do I need medical insurance?

YES. Evacuation insurance is mandatory.

What airport do I fly into?

SJD Los Cabos International for both commercial airlines and private aircraft. Or fly into airport of La Paz (LAP).

When should I fly in?

We recommend always flying in at least one day early. There's lots to see and do in Baja, and we're always super happy to set you up with some pre-trip adventures. Also, Airlines can sometimes be unreliable, and arriving early provides a buffer in case of delays or lost baggage issues and so on. It is totally feasible to fly in on the start date of your trip if you prefer.

How do I get into town?

Our concierge team will be on standby to assist with arranging transfers and can recommend trusted local transfer companies. Often, we can also coordinate pickups from LAP (La Paz airport). At present, however, we are not allowed to pick up from SJD (Los Cabos airport).

Driving time from SJD airport to town is about 45 minutes, while from LAP airport to town takes about 30 minutes.

Can you recommend a local hotel?

We have great contract rates with some of our favourite local hotels. We are happy to either book accommodations for you or provide recommendations so that you can book directly with the best rates online.

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BEFORE DEPARTURE

Where do we meet?

Flying into La Paz? We will meet you at the host hotel at 6:30 PM.

Flying into Cabo? You're welcome to stop by SeeCreatures Cabo anytime. Please come by and say "hi". Please be at SeeCreatures by 4 PM on the start date. We will be departing at 4:30 PM for your included transfer, it will be an approximate 2 hour 20 minute drive to the host hotel in La Paz.

Will I get seasick on this trip?

The Sea of Cortez is generally very calm. For anyone worried about seasickness, we recommend prophylactic use of the scopolamine "patch" as an anti-seasickness medication. The patch has revolutionized the boating industry and made going to sea practical for almost everyone. You will most likely not get seasick using the patch.

DON'T FORGET

What time do we check out?

Please be ready to check out of our host hotel in La Paz by 6:45 AM for a 7 AM transfer to your waiting safari boat. As the saying goes, "the early bird gets the worm," and we want to have you out on water with the animals first thing that morning. We will have breakfast, coffee, tea, and water ready for you onboard your safari boat.

Do you have a storm policy?

We highly recommend trip interruption insurance, which will cover you in this unlikely eventuality.

Can you accommodate special dietary requests?

Yes, with reasonable advance notice, we are pleased to accommodate vegetarian, vegan, lactose, intolerant, gluten, free, low sugar, quasi-kosher and quasi-halal. We are likely unable to accommodate other special dietary requests, or guests with severe allergic challenges.

What IS NOT included in the trip price?

Bar, gift shop, high-speed Internet connection, rentals, crew gratuities. A \$35 port fee must be paid in cash at the end of the trip.

OCEAN SAFARI EXPERIENCE

How much experience do I need?

This trip is for everybody! No prior experience is required. This trip is primarily around snorkelling and optional freediving, and our crew are there to support guests of all comfort levels in the water.

Will the ocean safari be from a large boat or skiffs?

Our ocean safaris take place aboard our comfortable 48-ft fast boats. Powered by twin 450-hp engines, they offer a smooth, stable ride that smaller boats simply can't match.

There's plenty of space for gear, lounging, and sunbathing, plus an upper deck with panoramic views, shaded seating areas, and onboard bathroom. We typically head out for a few hours at a time, splash in the water, returning for a relaxed lunch, and heading back out again in the afternoon.

How much time will I spend in the water?

Most of your day will be spent in and around the Sea of Cortez, snorkelling or freediving and enjoying wildlife encounters. Each outing is flexible, you can participate as much or as little as you like.

I am a diver, why would I want to go on a snorkeling trip?

Snorkeling and freediving is the one of the best way to interact with marine life, especially with the schooling mobula rays.

Our fall season of these trips will have diving opportunities.

Are the boats camera friendly?

YES, VERY! Our boats are well set up for photography. Ask us about rental cameras or professional photo services.

Where is the closest decompression chamber?

The closest hyperbaric chambers are located in La Paz and Cabo San Lucas.

What happens if I need a medevac?

Medevac can be arranged with a boat transfer to shore.

Do you have an AED and medical kit onboard?

OF COURSE! All of our crew are trained in first aid and a number of our crew are trained first responders.



GLAMPING DETAILS

What is the camp like?

Our glamping camp is located right on the shore of this pristine island and follows a zero-impact policy. Each bespoke tent comes with a private in-tent bathroom and a comfortable bed with fine linens. Tents are designed for hot weather. Fine dining. Communal camp showers with limited water or, for more luxury, watermaker and great hot water showers on our mothership. Excellent service levels with hostie, bartender, chef, and masseuse in camp.

The pop-up camp is supported by a fully equipped mothership providing:

- Unlimited hot showers (*only on the mothership*)
- 24-hour power
- Galley with fresh provisions
- Watermaker
- Starlink internet

Is there Internet access in camp?

Wi-Fi is available via Starlink for your convenience. There will be a charge of \$25 per device per trip. We kindly ask guests to be mindful of data usage so everyone can enjoy reliable access.

Is there a 24 hour power in our tent?

Due to biosphere reserve regulations and environmental concerns, generators are not permitted on the island. Lighting and charging stations in camp are solar-powered. 24-hour power, household electrical power, and Starlink are always available on the mothership.

How often can I shower?

Because of environmental concerns on this beautiful and pristine desert island, showering in camp is available but limited. A water maker and much more comfortable hot showers are available on our mothership.

Is there anything to do in camp?

Heck yes!! Kayaking, paddleboarding, swimming, snorkeling, beach walks, and hikes with your naturalist. Enjoy a massage, or simply relax on the beach with a good book or your tablet, paired with your favorite cold drink prepared by our bartender.

Are kids and teens welcome in camp?

Absolutely! Some trips are designated as family friendly for all ages. Whole camp buyouts are available. Teens 12 and up are welcome on all trips.

Are mosquitoes and bugs a problem?

We will be camping on a remote, beautiful, unspoiled desert island. Mosquitos are not normally a problem, but insect repellent is always a good idea. It's also wise to keep an eye out for critters we share the island with.

What happens in the case of an emergency?

Our camp operates with the same emergency preparedness and protocols as our ocean-going liveaboard ships. You can be sure that our camp will be stocked with an AED, emergency oxygen and extensive first-aid equipment and that we have trained "first responders" on site. In the very unlikely event of a medical emergency, medevac flights are available to an acute care hospital in Cabo.

MORE ADVENTURES

What can I do in Cabo San Lucas before or after my trip?

We offer a variety of pre- and post-trip adventures, including scheduled local trips for snorkeling and diving, as well as 1-day adventures to Cabo Pulmo.

You can also join group panga charters in La Paz to exploring amazing places such as Isla Espíritu Santo, Los Islotes, and Balandra Beach.

Can I make this a longer trip?

Yes! Trips in March and early April pair beautifully with our San Ignacio Lagoon gray whale fly-in experiences, as well as our Baja Ultimate Whale adventures featuring blue whales.

Adventure sailing is another great way to continue exploring. For those interested in a broader Baja experience, this trip can also be paired with a Socorro Islands liveaboard scuba diving trip.





PASSENGER GUEST WAIVER, RELEASE AND INDEMNITY (the "Waiver")

In consideration of you allowing me to participate in your camping and/or whale watching and/or excursion (the "Excursion"):

I voluntarily waive, release and forever discharge NAUTILUS DIVE ADVENTURES AND/OR all its related entities: ICARUS AVIATION LTD also doing business as "Lever Diving" AND/OR NAUTILUS EXPLORER MEXICO, S. DE R.L DE C.V. AND/OR BAJA EXPEDITIONS AND/OR BSK, S.A. DE C.V. AND/OR SEECREATURES AND/OR CABO DIVE CENTRE, S. DE R.L. DE C.V (collectively the "Company") and its employees, directors, officers, agents and contractors (collectively the "Operators") from any and all liability, including but not limited to liability arising from the negligence (including gross negligence) or fault of the Operators or any of them for personal injury or death, property loss or damage or any other claims of any kind which may occur to me during or in connection with the Excursion and/or the use or misuse of any equipment, vessels or vehicles.

I agree that all agreements made between the Operators and myself (including this Waiver) shall be governed by the laws of Mexico and the courts of Mexico City, shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any matter relating to the said agreements or this Waiver.

I agree that this Waiver shall be binding upon my heirs, executors, administrators, successors, assigns and my estate and I agree that in the event that a claim is made against the Operators or any one of them in respect of any cause of action relating to me, I will indemnify the Operator(s) for their losses, damage and expenses arising from such claim.

I confirm that I have both read and fully understood the description of the risks involved in participating in the Excursion as set forth in the Company's disclosure information entitled "DIVING EXCURSION RISKS" published on the Company web site (<https://nautilusliveboards.com/diving-excursion-risks/>) and in the pre-trip information package provided to me.

I also confirm that I:

- (a) am physically fit; without any health related reasons that would otherwise preclude my;
- (b) have had sufficient instruction, preparation and/or training for; and
- (c) have not been advised by any medical professional to avoid participation in the Excursion.

Finally, I confirm that I read and fully understood this Waiver before signing and, that I had the opportunity to do so before making any commitment of whatsoever kind or nature to the Company.

Please note that you will be required to sign this waiver form upon the arrival at the hospitality suite.

Our Responsibilities, Your Responsibilities

Our Responsibilities

- To ensure your safety.
- To give you the best possible experience.
- To treat you with respect and consideration and to provide excellence in service.
- To be responsive to special requests and needs.
- To plan each trip with respect to weather, sea conditions and animal behavior in order to maximize your experience.

Your Responsibilities

1. Animals

We love Mother Ocean! Unfortunately, sometimes guests will demonstrate unsafe or irresponsible behavior towards animals that impedes other guests' experiences and/or may cause harm to the animals. It is your responsibility to follow the staff's directions and recommendations with respect to interaction with the animals. In the unlikely event that an individual is impeding other guests and/or causing harm to the animals, the camp manager will speak to that person and give them a formal warning. If the guest continues the same behavior, the camp manager has the authority to hold that guest off the water for the remainder of the trip.

2. Alcohol

With over 30 years of operational experience, we have learned the safest alcohol policy is to restrict guests from bringing their own alcohol to the campsite. We provide a wide selection of beer, wine and alcohol at our bar at reasonable prices. We are also happy to hold your duty-free purchases or local purchases of alcohol in bond with your luggage in Cabo San Lucas until the end of your trip. Due to regulations and your safety, drinking alcohol during whale watching is prohibited.

3. Government Rules

You must comply with all Mexican government rules and regulations. Please note that government regulations and laws may change without notice. Our contract with you is subject to "force majeure" without compensation.

4. Marijuana

Marijuana is illegal in Mexico including medicinal prescription marijuana. We have a zero tolerance policy regarding guests bringing marijuana to our camp.

5. Illegal Substances

We maintain a zero tolerance for illegal narcotics or substances. We're required under Mexican law to report any problems to the Mexican Federal Police.

6. Staff

Treating our staff with courtesy and respect.

7. Getting Sick

We sincerely hope that you stay healthy and don't get sick during your trip. Please let the crew know if you are not feeling well so that we can give you extra love and attention and also do our best to prevent anyone else in camp from getting sick.



A Note on Gratuities



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I hope we have left you with the feeling that our crew has served you with warmth, good cheer, and has done their very best to ensure your safety and excellence in guest services. I am incredibly proud of our hardworking and dedicated staff.

Attitudes towards tipping vary around the world. In Mexico, it is considered disrespectful to the crew and staff to not leave a gratuity if the service is deserving. For your guidance, most guests leave a tip of US\$150 to \$250.

We greatly value your feedback about your experience with us, including anything we can improve on. I would really appreciate any comments or thoughts you might share. Simply click on **“Your Feedback”** on the boat Wi-Fi portal to share your thoughts.

On a personal note and as my thanks to you, I invite you to join our Last Minute Club, exclusively for repeat clients. Members receive incredible savings of up to 75% on last-minute adventures, offered 3 or 4 times a year. If you love awesome deals, simply click on **“Last Minute”** on the boat Wi-Fi portal to sign up.

Thank you very much for trusting us with your vacation!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M. Leven".

Captain Mike

Proprietor, Nautilus Adventure & Baja Expeditions

May 21, 2026. Cerralvo





What objects can I bring in my luggage to Mexico?

If you are visiting Mexico, you may bring the following tax-exempt items, whether new or second hand:

- Baby gear, such as strollers, car seats, cribs, walkers and their accessories.
- Two cameras or camcorders and camera gear; three cellphones or other wireless devices; one GPS; one electronic organizer; one laptop, notebook, omnibook or other portable computing device; one portable copier or printer; one CD burner and one portable overhead projector and its accessories.
- One tent and other camping articles.
- Two sets of personal sport gear; four fishing rods; three gliders with or without sails and their accessories; trophies and awards, as long as you can carry them without any difficulty.
- Two musical instruments and their accessories.
- One hand tool set, including its case, a drill, pliers, wrenches, screwdrivers, power cords, etc.
- One pair of binoculars and one telescope.
- Five laser disks, ten DVDs, thirty CDs, three software packs and five storing units for any electronic device.
- Five toys, including collectables, one videogame console and five videogames.
- One blood pressure monitor and one blood glucose monitor (or one monitor for both purposes), reagents included; drugs and other psychotropic substances, including cannabis, in which case you must present the prescription, have the medical identification number or any other contact detail of your physician and exclusively bring the amount needed for your trip.
- Valises, trunks, suitcases or any other item needed to carry your personal belongings.
- If you are over eighteen, ten packs of cigarettes, twenty-five cigars or two hundred grams of tobacco; three litres of alcoholic beverages and six litres of wine.
- Wheelchairs, walkers, canes, crutches or any other assistive device for the elderly or disabled people.
- One portable audio recorder, audio player or audio recorder and player (or two digital sound and image recorders or players instead), one portable DVD player and one set of portable speakers and its accessories.

If you enter or leave Mexico, you must declare any sum of money equaling US\$10,000 or more that you bring in cash, checks, money orders, other cashable documents or a combination of them. Failing to declare carries a fine ranging from 20% to 40% of the exceeding amount. Failing to declare sums of US\$30,000 or more is punishable by six months to six years of imprisonment and the amount being seized for the federal treasury if its lawful origin is not demonstrated. Should you not prove its lawful origin, you will be sentenced to a period of five to fifteen years of imprisonment and to one thousand to five thousand day-fines.

For more information, please contact the following Mexican government agencies:

- Servicio de Administración Tributaria (SAT):
www.sat.gob.mx
(55) 627 22 728 in Mexico City or +1 (877) 448-8728 from the USA and Canada
- Instituto Nacional de Migración (INM):
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