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High S.	\$	1000	1290	2095	2775
Mid S.	<u>\$</u>	995	1285	2090	2770
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OPTION 1 MEXICAN AND GUATEMALAN LANDSCAPES OPTION 2 HISTORY AND TRADITION: MEXICO AND GUATEMALA

01 FRI. Mexico DF.-

Arrival. Welcome to Mexico. Transfer to hotel and free time. Our guide will contact you late in the afternoon or provide information through the informative panels in the hotel reception area.-

02 SAT. Mexico City.

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03 SUN. México- Teotihuacán- Cholula- Oaxaca.-

We begin our tour by going to **TEOTIHUACAN**, which in Nahuatl means "the place where men become gods", and is one of the most impressive cities from the ancient world. We will admire the pyramids of the sun and the moon, **entry ticket and visit**. We continue our route to the very picturesque **CHOLULA**, with its beautiful square, its tunnels under the pyramid and the picturesque sanctuary of Nuestra Señora de los Remedios from where you can admire the magnificent panorama. Time to have lunch. In the afternoon, we travel to the state of Oaxaca. Arrival at **OAXACA** at the end of the day.- **Dinner included.**

04 MON. Oaxaca- Monte Albán- Oaxaca.-

Visit included to OAXACA, a UNESCO World Heritage City of Aztec origin with its impressive monumental heritage, after which we go up to the site of MONTE ALBAN, which is set deep in a 400-metre mountain above the Valley of Oaxaca entry tickets and visit are included. This is the most magnificent of the Zapotec cities. Free afternoon in Oaxaca, an extremely beautiful colonial city which is full of life.

GUATEMALA

05 TUE. Oaxaca- El Tule- San Pablo Villa de Mitla-Tuxtla.-

We leave for **SANTA MARIE EL TULE**, together with its beautiful church, it contains a two thousand year old tree that has one of widest trunks in the world. After that we will stop at **SAN PABLO VILLA DE MITLA**, a magical town. We allow time for a walk together to the Church of San Pablo dating back to the Sixteenth Century and through its beautiful rustic streets. We continue our route in the sierras of Oaxaca towards the Isthmus. **Lunch is included** en route. At the end of the afternoon, we arrive in **TUXTLA GUTIERREZ**, the capital of the state of Chiapas. We will go with our guide to the Marimba Park, where we will listen to a **live group playing the Marimba**, the emblematic instrument of Chiapas.

06 WED. Tuxtla- Sumidero Canyon- Chiapa del Corzo-San Cristobal.-

We will explore the **SUMDERO CANYON. Travelling by boat,** we will travel up this impressive canyon which is almost 1 km deep and 14 km long. Next, we will walk through **CHIAPA DEL CORZO**, a traditional and cultural colonial site. We continue to **SAN CRISTOBAL DE LAS CASAS,** arriving at lunch time. Free afternoon in this beautiful colonial city founded in 1528.

07 THU. San Cristobal- San Juan Chamula- Zinacantán-Comitan- Huehuetenango.

We enter into the Mayan culture. We discover beautiful villages inhabited by the Tzotzil Indians. In **SAN JUAN CHAMULA** we will be surprised by their church that mixes

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Christianity with pre-Columbian traditions. In **ZINACANTAN** we can admire the dresses worn by the women and also their small loom workshop-shops. We continue our route to **COMITAN**, a warm town that preserves its pre-Hispanic roots and vice-regal architecture. There will be time to have lunch. We continue towards **GUATEMALA**, border procedures and then our journey continues through impressive mountainous landscapes. **HUEHUETENANGO**, the lively departmental capital city. **Dinner is included** and accommodation

08 FRI. Huehue- Santa Cruz del Quiche- Guamarcaaj-Chichicastenango- Panajachel.-

Fantastic section through the Mayan highlands. We cross seldom visited regions with magnificent landscapes. **SANTA CRUZ DEL QUICHE, the** very lively regional capital; the altarpiece in its cathedral is extremely beautiful. We visit the archaeological site of **GUMARCAAJ**, the ancient capital of the Maya Kiche kingdom. We will visit its pyramids, learn about their ball game and explore the site where Mayan ceremonies are still held. We continue to **CHICHICASTENANGO**, one of the most beautiful places in Guatemala, with its colourful market and its church. Here, the Mayan customs survive. There's time to have lunch. In the afternoon, we will undertake a Mayan fire ceremony. Onward journey to the beautiful Lake ATITLAN. **PANAJACHEL**, dinner included and accommodation.

09 SAT. Lake Atitlan.- Guatemala City.-

Today we take a **boat trip** through one of the most beautiful lakes in the world, which is surrounded by volcanoes and inhabited by small indigenous community settlements. By boat, we travel to **SAN PEDRO DE LA LAGUNA.** We will walk through its cobbled streets and ascend to the church's lookout point. From San Pedro we will include a **trip in a tuc-tuc** local taxi to **SAN JUAN LA LAGUNA**, where we will see a weaving workshop and cooperative. They will explain to us how the fabrics are woven and dyed in a natural way. Again by boat, we will travel to **SAN MARCOS**. In this beautiful place, with its streets full of flowers, we will have time to walk and have lunch. We return by boat to **Panajachel** and continue to **GUATEMALA CITY**, arriving at the end of the afternoon.

10 SUN. Guatemala City- Pacaya Volcano- Antigua-Guatemala.-

Travelling through beautiful landscapes, we will set off for the most active volcano in Guatemala. We will break the journey en route and include entry tickets to the UNITED NATIONS NATIONAL PARK, from where we will have an impressive view over the green lake and the volcanoes that surround us. On arrival at the PACAYA VOLCANO, we will include the entry tickets to the National Park, and together with a guide, we will climb up towards the crater. Those who wish may rent a horse for a more comfortable ascent. We will have a chance to feel the heat coming off the lava. Later we continue to ANTIGUA, a wonderful colonial city, many of whose buildings are in ruins because of the earthquakes suffered by this former capital city of the country. There's time to have lunch and walk around. In the mid-afternoon we return to Guatemala City. Before going to the hotel, we will pass through the Central Park where the cathedral and the Government Palace are located.

11MON. Guatemala City:

After Breakckfast end of our services.

Option 2: Tradicion e Historia: Mexico y Guatemala Days 1 to 11 in the previous itinerary. 11 MON. Guatemala- Quirigua- Rio Dulce.-

Today we travel to the Caribbean coast. En route we will stop at **QUIRIGUA**, and include the **entry tickets** to this impressive UNESCO World Heritage Site, with its immense stelae dating back to the 8th Century. **Lunch is included** en route before arriving in **RIO DULCE**. We will visit the **San Felipe Castle**, which protected the Izabal Lake from pirate incursions. Later on, there's free time to enjoy the hotel.

12 TUE. Rio Dulce- Livingstone- Flores.-

We will leave on launches from Lake Izabal to travel up the Rio Dulce river through impressive landscapes towards LIVINGSTONE. Livingstone is a small city in the Caribbean, linked only by boat and inhabited by Garifuna, a people of African origin that fled from slavery creating a very interesting community who maintain their customs, their language and their traditions. Return to Rio Dulce, lunch included and onward travel through the Petén. FLORES, arrival in this beautiful city located on an island (linked by a bridge) on Lake Petén.

13 WED. Flores- Tikal- Palenque.-

In the morning we will explore the immense and impressive site of **TIKAL**, entry tickets and guided visit included. Surrounded by jungle, we will be able to visit the largest Mayan Pyramid and its temple that stands 44 meters high. Lunch included. Afterwards we will travel through areas of almost virgin forest towards the border with MEXICO. Border procedures and onward journey to **PALENQUE**.

14 THU. Palenque- Yumka- Villahermosa.-

In the morning we will visit the remains of this Mayan city surrounded by the jungle, which reached its peak between 600 and 800 AD. We continue to **YUMKA**, an ecological reserve where we can see howler monkeys, jaguars, macaws and other species. Arriving at **VILLAHERMOSA**, we will visit the open **air museum of "La Venta Park Museum"**, where we will learn about the Olmec culture. Accommodation.

15 FRI. Villahermosa- Catemaco- Eyipantla-Tlacotalpan- Veracruz.-

We leave for **CATEMACO**, where we include a **boat ride** through its beautiful lagoon. This is the place where the shamans and witchdoctors of the region gather. We will stop at the **Nanciyaga reserve** and we will pass by the Monkey Island. After that we will enjoy visiting the impressive waterfall of the **EYIPANTLA FALLS** and we will explore **TLACOTALPAN**, a small riverside town that is a UNESCO World Heritage Site where time seems to stand still. Here the majority of the houses are from the 18th Century. Arrival at **VERACRUZ** at the end of the day.

16 SAT. Veracruz- Puebla- México City.-

Veracruz is an important port in the Gulf of Mexico. We will get to know the centre of the city and we will be able to walk along its Malecón breakwater before leaving for **PUEBLA**, the fourth city of Mexico which has a very beautiful centre and its streets are lined with churches and old buildings. There's time to have lunch and stroll around. We continue to **Mexico City**, arriving at the end of the afternoon.-End of our services.



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Additional Option 2:

- Boat: Rio Dulce, Laguna de Catemaco.
- City tour in: Tikal.
- Ticket admission: Quirigua, San Felipe Castle, Archaeological site in Tikal, Palenke, Yumka, La Venta Park-Museum in Villahermosa,
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