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INSTEAD OF TULUM, VISIT MERIDA

The beaches and ancient Mayan ruins near Tulum are often overrun with expats and tourists. But the Uxmal ruins near Merida are not. Better yet, the nightly rate for a four-star hotel in Merida [starts at \\$58](#). In Tulum, it's \$90.

Merida, located on Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula, is something of a well-kept secret, but Conde Nast Traveler also recently named it "Mexico's Most Creative and Affordable City." That recognition is well deserved: It's a charming town that's home to artists and creatives, a beautiful historic center and enticing cuisine.