

The ultimate Mexico bucket list: 30 things you need to experience



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Unmissable Mexico

Once the land of the Maya civilization, Mexico is steeped in history and culture. With ancient ruins, beautiful beaches, enchanting cities and incredible food there are countless memorable experiences to be had. While this is by no means an definitive list, here are 30 awe-inspiring things to do in Mexico to get you started.



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Explore Guadalajara where modernity meets traditional

Guadalajara is Mexico's second largest city and where some of the nation's longest-standing, most famous traditions were born.

Expect to find wide-brimmed sombreros, folk dancing and mariachi music bands.

There's also some stunning historic architecture, such as the cathedral (pictured). Head to the fashionable Chapultepec neighborhood for modern shopping, restaurants and the burgeoning art scene.



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Take the tequila trail

Travel back in time and discover how Mexico's most famous tippie was originally made during a tour on the **Tequila Express**. During the expedition, you'll hear about the distilling process and be serenaded by Mariachi musicians, while passing through fields of blue agave plants. The tour starts at Guadalajara station at 10.15am at weekends and includes a stop at Tequila Herradura distillery in Amatitán. Booking is essential.



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Explore the ancient Chichen Itza

One of Mexico's most famous Mayan sites, the magnificent Chichen Itza in the Yucatán dates back to around AD 800. The focal point is the 78-foot-high Temple of Kukulcan, also known as El Castillo (pictured). Created as a physical calendar, it aligns with the sun so perfectly that on the spring and summer equinox, it creates a shadow of a serpent slithering down the steps.