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Five new or under-the-radar Mexico experiences

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Structures at the Guachimontones archaeological site date to the fourth century B.C. Photo Credit: Eric Moya

For as much time as I have spent in Mexico, I am still always surprised and delighted to discover



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parts and places I have never been to, or even heard about before. From new discoveries to soon-to-be-launched hotels as well as experiences that have remained below the radar for decades, here are five experiences in Mexico you might not know exist.

Guachimontones, Jalisco

Later this year, the government of Jalisco will be completing a high-speed highway connecting Guadalajara to Puerto Vallarta. The 5.5-hour trip will be reduced to 2.5 hours, making it entirely possible to hit both Puerto Vallarta and Guadalajara in one weekend getaway.

Along the drive, travelers can discover one of the more peculiar ruins of Mexico -- Guachimontones. This Olmec archaeological site is home to circular pyramid structures, which is a rarity for Mexico sites. The Unesco World Heritage Site remained largely unheard of until about 2009. Before then, visitors had to ask the locals around the town, Teuchitlan, in order to make their way there. Today it is far more accessible to tourists, with a large visitor center and a museum.