

Cozumel, Mexico - "A Divers Paradise"

- Jacques Cousteau



Continually named in the top 5 dive locations in the world, Cozumel is Mexico's largest island, nestled just 12 miles off the coast of the Yucatan Peninsula and Playa del Carmen. Before becoming famous for diving, the island was a small community of mainly fishermen until 1961 when Frenchman Jacques Cousteau told the world he had found one of the most beautiful diving areas in his travels. Cozumel measures 28 miles long and 10 miles wide and is world renowned for its dazzling white sandy beaches and the remarkable clarity of the multi-hued azure Caribbean ocean in which it rests. The climate is subtropical & the people native to Cozumel are of Mayan descent.

Cozumel itself was a sleepy little fishing community when Jacques Cousteau declared the island **"one of the most beautiful scuba diving areas in the world"**. Since that time, Cozumel has become an underwater marine park to protect the delicate balance of its dazzling coral reefs and abundant variety of tropical fish. The park covers about 29,600 acres of safeguarded ocean and coastline, estimated to be the home of **262 species of fish** swimming between **105 different types of coral**. The underwater wildlife is stunning, and the visibility is up to 200 feet. You'll feel like you've been dropped into a tropical fish tank!

Drift diving is very common in Cozumel allowing you to float effortlessly from one turtle to the next and glide along deep walls. The coral reefs here are punctured by swim-throughs and tunnels which lead onto the giant sponges and coral banks of Colombia Reef. The reefs of the National Marine Park have something to offer every diver at any level, from advanced deeper dives to intro-dives for those first learning.



Your Cozumel Package

Packages may be tailored to your specifications; just ask us, we are happy to customize. A minimum of 12 divers (new or certified) are required for group rates. Our general package is for certified divers and includes:

- ♥ Group flights – to/from Cancun or Cozumel, dependent upon preference
- ♥ Group airport transfers to/from Resort
- ♥ **7-nights lodging** at Allegro Cozumel, all-inclusive
- ♥ **5-days of 2-tank boat dives** (weights and tanks included)
- ♥ **FREE Nitrox use** for those who hold an Enriched Air Diver certification
- ♥ 5-days marine park admission
- ♥ **1 Whale Shark Safari** (snorkel, June through September)
- ♥ **FREE package for trip organizer** based on a double occupancy room with a min of 16 paying divers
- ♥ AR in-resort personal Ambassador

Optional Add-ons at Extra Cost:

- Additional dives – day or night dives
- Refresher Course, OWD certification, AOWD certification, and other specialty certifications
- Equipment Rental Package (BCD, Reg, Fins, Mask, Snorkel, Wetsuit)
- Optional Equipment Rental – Dive Computer, Underwater Torch, Tank Flasher, etc.
- Mama Viña Wreck Dive – Playa del Carmen (experienced divers only due to strong currents)
- Bull Shark Dives in Playa del Carmen (November through March, 25 logged dive min for participation)
- Cenote Dives on mainland
- Sailfish Run Safari (snorkel, December through March)
- Day excursions – Mayan History & Culture, Swim with Dolphins & Chankanaab National Park, Submarine Ride, Pearl Farm, Discover Mexico and more

What's NOT included:

- × Airline luggage costs, payable on own at check-in, each way (ask us for costs if you would like to include this, it is dependent upon the airline and route)
- × Single room supplements
- × Travel insurance nor Dive Insurance
- × Transfers to/from home airport
- × Hotel Environmental Fee (generally \$1.50 per room night, paid direct to the hotel at check-in)
- × Any extra sightseeing/meals not included in the standard resort package
- × Local transportation other than transfers to/from airport/resort
- × Cost of visas or passports
- × Hotel incidental deposits & bills – internet, etc
- × **Any gratuities – drivers, ambassador, dive team + boat crews**

NON-DIVERS NOTE: For families wishing to bring along non-divers, guests may elect to participate in a reef snorkel package or a standard hotel package. Please let us know your needs.

PRICING: Pricing is dependent upon how many people are participating, rooms required, where you are flying from, dates of travel and other considerations. For a quote, please send us your details and we are happy to issue you a quote.



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Our Accommodation

Allegro Cozumel - Located on the beautiful island of Cozumel overlooking the Mexican Caribbean Sea is Allegro Cozumel. This all-inclusive resort is about 20 minutes from the international airport and a 45-minute ferry ride from Playa del Carmen, Mexico. Guests will enjoy the nearby Palancar Reef which is considered one of the top 5 dive destinations in the world. Guests staying at Allegro Cozumel will also enjoy one of the very best beaches the island has to offer.

The hotel boasts 261 tropical theme rooms in two-story Polynesian-style bungalows. Room amenities include rooms with 2 double beds to sleep two participants per room, air-conditioning, ceiling fan, cable television, telephone, bathtub and shower, balcony or terrace, coffee maker, hairdryer, hammocks, and in-room safety deposit boxes.



Resort amenities and activities that are included with your package are:

- ✓ Unlimited meals, snacks & beverages in four restaurants
- ✓ Full open bar for adult-age participants in five bars
- ✓ Multiple swimming pools plus kids' water park with slides & splash fountain
- ✓ Supervised activities for children (4-12 yrs) and Teens Club with activities for children (8-17 yrs)
- ✓ Jacuzzi, Sauna & Fitness Center
- ✓ Three Tennis Courts, Beach Volleyball, Beach Soccer, Ping-pong, Darts & Giant Chess Board
- ✓ Kayaking, Snorkeling & Sailing (instruction & equipment)
- ✓ Daily activities by the pool and beach areas (cooking class, Spanish class, water aerobics, etc)
- ✓ Nightly shows & entertainment
- ✓ Chaise lounges & towel service at the pool & beach areas
- ✓ Includes all resort gratuities

Other activities available that require additional cost include:

Spa facilities

Gift Shop

Internet access

Car rental

Guest Laundry

Currency Exchange

24-hour medical services (on call)

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Weather, Currency & Language

Cozumel Average Temperatures

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Avg High (F)	82	84	84	87	86	87	87	89	87	86	82	82
Avg High (C)	28	29	29	31	30	31	31	32	31	30	28	28
Avg Low (F)	68	68	68	71	73	73	73	73	73	73	71	68
Avg Low (C)	20	20	20	22	23	23	23	23	23	23	22	20

Currency - The Mexican peso (MXN) is this country's official currency. However, most all vendors accept American dollars. To determine current exchange rates, we suggest using www.XE.com.

Official language - The official language of Mexico is Spanish and is spoken by nearly all Mexicans. Nonetheless, there are also more than 60 native languages, including Nahuatl and Mayan. **English is widely spoken in most all resorts, shops, restaurants and dive shops.**

Important Notes

- Standard PADI documents, waivers and medical information are required prior to diving.
- If for any reason a participant requires a medical release from a physician in Cozumel, please be advised that although we will be happy to assist with scheduling an appointment, the participant will be personally responsible for payments required for medical care and transportation.
- A waiver noting release of liability is required for all passengers. For any participants under the age of 18, documents must be signed by a parent or legal guardian. All signatures are required when registering for the trip. To view this waiver prior to registration, please check the forms section on our website.
- No diving is allowed starting in the afternoon of the day prior to your departure flight.
- Please have all divers remember to bring their logbooks to record their dives. Additionally, please remind guests not to forget to bring documentation of their Dive Insurance plan if they have one. Cozumel has two treatment centers located on the island if needed.
- **Tips are not included for dive instructors, skin dive guides, boat captains and deckhands and are at your personal discretion.** Tips for good service are generally estimated at \$10 USD per tank (generally x2 as 2 tanks per session/day) and are split amongst your instructor/guide and your boat captain and deckhand.
- If any participant originally signs up as a diver and during the course of the tour drops to a snorkeler, please understand that no refunds are given as a group package has been purchased.
- Diving schedules may vary as to morning or afternoon dives. Specific schedules will be distributed upon arrival.
- Upon arrival at the resort each person will be issued with a Towel Card. The towel card may be exchanged at the pool for a fresh towel as many times as you desire, every day. The Towel Card **MUST** be turned in prior to leaving the resort as you will not be allowed to check-out until it is accounted for. To discourage theft, the resort charges



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\$50 per towel card that is not turned in. If a participant loses their towel or card, they will be responsible for paying this fee.

- As a protected environment, we suggest group participants bring **bio-degradable** sunscreen if available. In the evenings, please don't forget bug repellent.
- Lifeguards are on duty at various resort locations. Please direct your families as to appropriate use.



As always, our staff are always available to you to answer any questions you may have regarding programming. If we may serve you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us.



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