

Cozumel

Mexico



The port

Cozumel is Mexico's most popular port and on busy days the port can host up to 6-7 ships.

The ships dock either right in downtown or at Puerto Maya, about 5 minutes away from the city by taxi. Puerto Maya is the newest cruise terminal and boats many souvenir shops, restaurants and bars.

Cozumel is great for snorkeling, diving and other water sport activities.



Things to do

Snorkel, glass bottom boats, shopping, beaches, catamarans, ruins, sting rays, swimming with dolphins and much much more.

The island is rather small making most activities rather accessible. If you decide to go to the main land, make sure you you plan your trip carefully as to not miss the ship.

Transportation

Abundant taxi's (and taxi buses) are available at the cruise terminal. A ride to town is just a few minutes and will cost about 6-10USD.

Shopping

Cozumel is great for shopping. Ask to be dropped of in the center and you will found yourself surrounded by many shops. Souvenirs can be bought also near the cruise terminal.

Internet

Internet can be found throughout the city. Most restaurants/bars offer wifi (free with purchase of drink). The cruise terminal has some internet cafe's and the wifi signal is decent (if not too busy).

Port Facts:

Port: Cozumel

Country: Mexico

Region:

Area: the island is about 48 sqm

Population: 100,000 (2012)

Language: Spanish & English

Currency: Mexican Peso but US Dollars are widely accepted

Facts & Figures

Average temperature summer: 32C (98F)

Average temperature winter: 28C (83F)

Country URL extension: .mx

Electricity: 110 V

Opening hours stores:

Timezone: UTC -6 hours

Food & Drinks

Cruise ships dock close to the city center and there you will find an abundant array of choice to eat and drink. Mexico is of course famous for its Mexican cuisine like taco's, burrito's, guacamole and salsa's but it is also great to eat various fish types. Mexicans use a wide variety of spices and Mexican cuisine is generally known to be spicy.

Drinks in Mexico are wide in variety.

Typical drinks include

- Tequilla
- Beers (Corona)

Famous Mexican cocktails include

- Margaritas
- Horchatas
- Micheladas
- Combiar Margarita (Combiar Liqueur d'Orange, Lime juice, Silver Tequilla and a slice of orange)

Beaches

Beaches in Cozumel are among the nicest in the world. Well, actually the water is. Crystal blue waters surrounding the island make the swimming experience unique. Like swimming in a swimming pool!

Best Beaches

Paradise Beach is perhaps the most popular beach on the island. It offers some water sport facilities, a restaurant and calm blue waters.

Playa San Martin

This windward-side beach with calm blue waters is a great place to spend the day. Great for kids as the waves are generally not too high. Do bring your own beach towels from the ship and plenty of drinking water.

Punta Sur

At Cozumel's southern point, in Faro Celarain Eco Park, you will find some of the island's nicest white sandy beaches. Calm water and excellent spots for snorkeling. There is also a lighthouse from which you will have a great view over the Cozumel. There is an admission fee.

Playa San Francisco

Just a nearby, easy to reach (by taxi) beach with good facilities to spend the day. It is about a 8-10 minute ride by taxi.

Isla Pasion

This is a deserted island off the northwest coast of the island. Some cruise ships offer tours to this spot and we do recommend to take these tours when coming by ship to ensure you will get back on time. The water is shallow and there are places to eat and drink. The beach is great for swimming but snorkeling is not all that good as the reefs are quite far out. Kayaking is another super way to spend some hours.

Best spot for snorkeling

Marine life is just amazing. The crystal blue waters allow you to see the fish without even going deep into the water. The tropical colorful fish will provide stunning sights for people who like snorkeling and diving. For those who decide to go in the water to spot marine life, do take good caution of reefs, rocks and sometimes strong currents.

Punta Sur is regarded as one of the best spots on the island.

Notes

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