

APPLE VACATIONS®

COZUMEL
OR
BUST

Caribbean Sea, Mexico

NON-STOP FLIGHT TIMES
from Milwaukee: 3.75 hours

Cozumel is an island in the Caribbean Sea off the eastern coast of Mexico's Yucatán Peninsula, opposite the town of Playa del Carmen. The economy of Cozumel is entirely based on tourism, where a number of visitors flock to stay at the island's balnearios (resort spa towns), adventure in scuba dive expeditions and snorkel off the pristine sandy shores. The main town on the island is San Miguel de Cozumel. The island is covered with jungle and has many endemic animal species. Cozumel has a karst topography, meaning that it is a flat island based on limestone with cenotes, caves and other wondrous rock formations that are anti-weathering.

The distance between the island of Cozumel and Riviera Maya on the Yucatan Peninsula is 18.2 miles.

Cozumel's cenotes are restricted to qualified cave divers with appropriate credentials. In the early 1990s, a group of cave explorers here discovered the 5th largest underwater cave in the world.

The highest natural point on the island is less than 50 feet above sea level.

TOP TOURS

Stingray Beach

3 Reef Snorkel

Pirate Night Lobster Dinner Cruise

Scuba Diving

Check this off your bucket list as you explore sea life like never before on one of the greatest reefs on the planet!

Scuba diving is still one of Cozumel's primary attractions, due to healthy coral reefs and ocean clarity. The reef system is protected from the open ocean by the island's natural geography. Palancar Reef lies three miles offshore and is renowned for its underwater clarity of up to 150 feet! Part of the Mesoamerican Barrier Reef, also known as The Great Mayan Reef, is the fourth largest reef in the world, stretching 585 miles in length!

average temperatures

69°F to 91°F
lows to highs

Cozumel beaches attract over two million visitors each year. Over 25 sandy destinations blanketing the island, there are plenty of family beaches, spots for watersports and beaches with hidden rivers and mangrove's that have been untouched by man for thousands of years such as Passion Island. Molas Point Lighthouse is found on the north-western tip, and can only be reached by 4x4s or by foot if adventurous.

Cozumel follows Central Standard Time (CST).

San Miguel de Cozumel

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Fun Fact:

In square miles, Cozumel is relatively the same size as Singapore. However in population, Cozumel is near 100,000 people compared to the 5 million inhabiting Singapore!

Freedom in Paradise Restaurant and Beach Bar

This open ocean vista, located in the southern corner, is a perfect place to walk on the beach or relax on a hammock, breathe out and feel the stress evaporate as you check out the menu while sipping a cold beverage. Getting a massage to reggae music at this Bob Marley bar doesn't sound bad either.

U.S. famed aviator Charles Lindbergh visited Cozumel in 1929 as part of his exploration flight searching for Mayan archaeological sites.

Every year in April for the past 150 years, the annual El Cedral Festival takes place in the small town of El Cedral, located in southern Cozumel. Part of the celebration is the Holy Cross Festival that features traditional feasts, bullfights, competitions, rodeos, fairs and live music. The grand festival lasts for about 5 days.

Famous explorer Jacques Cousteau once described Cozumel as "the best diving area in the world".