

MEXICO COPPER CANYON ADVENTURE

9 DAYS – Fly to Tucson, Arizona and return from El Paso, Texas

All aboard!

Experience one of the world's great train trips through Mexico's stunning Copper Canyon on a once-in-a-lifetime train journey that takes you from sea level to almost 8,000 feet through the most scenic portions of the 25,000 square miles of canyon. Includes two nights overlooking the beautiful San Carlos Marina, an evening of entertainment in the colonial settlement of El Fuerte, lunch at a Mennonite museum and exploring the cave dwellings of the Tarahumara Indians.



Chihuahua-Pacifico Railroad, Mexico.

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1 HOME CITIES to TUCSON, ARIZONA: Your *Copper Canyon Adventure* begins with a special welcome dinner – a great opportunity to meet your fellow travellers. *Meals included: dinner.*

2 TUCSON to SAN CARLOS, MEXICO: (2 nights) Learn about the significance of the majestic MISSION OF SAN XAVIER DEL BAC, known as the 'white dove of the desert'. Cross the Mexican border near the popular city of NOGALES and continue through the beautiful Sonora Desert to the Sea of Cortez. Relax and enjoy San Carlos, where the desert meets the ocean, from your hotel overlooking the beautiful San Carlos Marina. *Meals included: breakfast, dinner.*

3 SAN CARLOS: Enjoy a day of leisure to explore the best of San Carlos. You may wish to shop for ironwood carvings, take an optional half-day nature cruise or a late afternoon siesta cruise followed by dinner. *Meals included: breakfast.*

4 SAN CARLOS to EL FUERTE: Visit a working PEARL FARM and learn the history of pearls from the Sea of Cortez. In the beautiful colonial city of EL FUERTE, you will feel as if you have stepped back in time. This colorful settlement was founded by the Spaniards in 1564, and sits gracefully in the foothills of the Sierra Madre Mountains. Before dinner, guests will be treated to a memorable FOLKLORIC SHOW. *Meals included: breakfast, dinner.*

5 EL FUERTE to COPPER CANYON: (2 nights) Travel on the CHIHUAHUA-PACIFICO RAILROAD for an awe-inspiring journey that will take you from sea level to almost 8,000 feet through numerous tunnels and over countless bridges in this unspoiled landscape. Your route takes in the most scenic portions of the 25,000 square miles of canyon

as you wind past thrilling gorges and expansive canyon lands. You will enjoy the stunning views upon arrival at your hotel which rests on the rim of the canyon. *Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner.*

6 COPPER CANYON: Experience the Tarahumara's fascinating culture as TRIBAL MEMBERS PERFORM for you. See their traditional dance, tribal games and a foot race demonstration. Embark on a tour of the area called DIVISADERO; visit the small church and the balancing rock precariously positioned at the canyon's edge. Take in the spectacular views of the canyon from different locations as you learn more about this amazing area. Later you will have some leisure time to explore this beautiful region. Perhaps explore the Tarahumara Village of San Luis Majumachic and see this indigenous culture firsthand. *Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner.*

7 COPPER CANYON to CREEL to CHIHUAHUA: A fascinating trip through the canyon brings you into the town of Creel one of the largest and most populated towns in the Copper Canyon, sitting 7,874 feet above sea level. Next, you visit the Mennonite SETTLEMENT of Cuatemoc where you will enjoy a home-made lunch before continuing on to Chihuahua. Visit a LOCAL SCHOOL where you will have the opportunity to share in the development of children in need from the local community. *Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner.*

8 CHIHUAHUA to EL PASO, TEXAS: Embark on a TOUR of Chihuahua featuring the home of famous Mexican Revolutionary leader Pancho Villa, includes a tour of the STATE CAPITOL building, and many other highlights. Later, you cross back into the United States, arriving in El Paso, Texas. Join your fellow travellers this evening for a farewell dinner. *Meals included: breakfast, dinner.*

9 EL PASO to HOME: Fly home with pleasant memories of your Mexico Copper Canyon holiday. *Meals included: breakfast.*

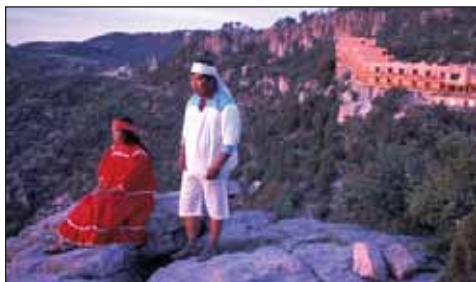
2010 DEPARTURE DATES
9 Days: November 7

2011 DEPARTURE DATES
9 Days: March 19

Airfare included
PRICES STARTING AT
\$2,989⁰⁰ twin
Additional dates available

DAY YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

- 1 TUCSON, Arizona: Sheraton or Hilton East
 - 2, 3 SAN CARLOS, Mexico: Marina Terra Hotel
 - 4 EL FUERTE, Mexico: Hotel Posada del Hidalgo
 - 5, 6 COPPER CANYON: Hotel Posada Mirador
 - 7 CHIHUAHUA, Mexico: Quality Inn Chihuahua San Francisco
 - 8 EL PASO, Texas: Wyndham
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used



Hotel Posada Mirador.



HIGHLIGHTS

- 18 meals: 8 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 7 dinners
- Tucson
- Chihuahua-Pacifico Railroad
- Chihuahua
- Hotel Posada Mirador
- San Carlos
- El Fuerte
- Creel
- El Paso

IMPORTANT TRAVELLERS INFORMATION

We want you to enjoy your tour with us; therefore, it is important that you know this tour is an adventure! You will view spectacular scenery while experiencing the culture and heritage of the region. We have selected small, comfortable hotels for their locations and they may be considered rustic. The Mexican Railroad schedules may be subject to weather conditions or other unexpected delays. For your enjoyment, this tour should be approached with a sense of adventure and flexibility. Travellers must be in good health as sightseeing requires walking on uneven terrain;

wheelchairs and walkers cannot be accommodated on this tour. Due to the locations of the hotels in El Fuerte and Copper Canyon, telephone service at the hotels is not available. In an emergency situation, should someone need to contact you while on this tour, they may contact Nagel Tours for assistance at (800) 562-9999. Maximum elevation on this tour is: 7,900 feet. Flights must arrive into Tucson, Arizona no later than 4:30 PM on the first day.

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