## Private Guatemala, Honduras and Belize, Mundo Maya Tour in 10 Days

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Antigua, Guatemala



## Day 1 • Guatemala City Arrival • Antigua

Meet and greet by your English-speaking tour guide. Private transportation to your selected hotel in Antigua. Antigua is a UNESCO Cultural Heritage Site. The city is located only 25 miles SW of Guatemala City. Antigua is a gem, an enchanting blend of restored colonial-era architecture and rugged cobblestone streets peppered with ancient ruins. Antigua sits in a small valley surrounded by towering volcanoes, which are clearly visible over the red tile roofs and church bell towers that dominate the

small city's skyline. We suggest www.panzaverde.com (not included). 2-Nights hotel stay in Antigua.

### Day 2 • Antigua Colonial • Coffee Farm Tour • Pacaya Volcano Hiking Tour (B/L)

Private guided full day excursion. Antigua is a colonial gem with pastel facades covered by terracotta roofs. Panoramic city tour of Antigua. We commence our journey by traveling to the picturesque village of San Antonio Aguas Calientes. This town is famous for its textiles and handicrafts. We continue to Centro Cultural La Azotea to visit a traditional coffee farm. Taste one of the world's finest Coffee before continuing to the Mayan Music Museum Casa K'Ojom. After lunch, departure to Pacaya Volcano 2,552m. Pacaya is in a near constant state of eruption. There are a handful of both dormant and active volcanoes close to Antigua. You can see several of them from almost any vantage point in town. We drive to an altitude of 2,330 meter. Continue with your tour guide on a hiking trip up to 2,450 meters.

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Lake Atitlan, Guatemala



Day 2 • Pacaya Volcano (continuation)

With a little luck, we may get to see some of the lava glowing red against the night and the smell of volcanic gases and steam. Afternoon transportation back to your hotel. Overnight in Antigua.

Day 3 • Chichicastenango • Lake Atitlan (B/L) Morning departure to Chichicastenango. Surrounded by valleys with mountains serrating the horizons, Chichicastenango can seem isolated in time and space from the rest of Guatemala. When its narrow cobbled streets and red-tiled roofs are enveloped in

mist, it is downright magical. The crowds of crafts vendors and tour groups who flock in for the huge Thursday and Sunday markets lend it a much worldlier, more commercial atmosphere, but Chichi retains its mystery. Masheños are famous for their adherence to pre-Christian beliefs and ceremonies, and the town's various religious brotherhoods hold processions in observance of their saints around the church of Santo Tomás. At dawn on Thursday and Sunday vendors spread out their goods. Handicraft stalls selling masks, textiles, pottery and so on occupy much of the plaza and the streets. We continue to Panajachel and Lake Atitlan. 1-Night hotel accommodation in Lake Atitlan.

## Day 4 • Lake Atitlan Cruise to Santiago de Atitlan • Panajachel Town • Guatemala City (B/L)

After breakfast transportation to a nearby pier. Board a motor boat and head out on the water, marveling at the beautiful landscape. Lake Atitlán originated from a massive eruption of the Chocoyos

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Flores, El Petén



Day 4 • Guatemala City (continuation)

Volcano. Thousands of years later, smaller volcanoes rose out of the lake's waters, forming the lake's spectacular setting. The three volcanoes – Volcan San Pedro, Volcan Atitlan and Volcan Toliman – all soar above 9,000 feet (3,000 meters) and create a dramatic vista that adds to the lake's natural beauty. Cruise across the lake to Santiago de Atitlan, a colorful lakeside village. Go ashore here to see the village and observe how the local Tzutujil Maya people live. Walk down the main street lined with shops selling everything from oil paintings to woven baskets, and then re-board your boat for the

cruise back to Panajachel. When you reach Panajachel, spend some time in town exploring Santander Street, the town's main strip, filled with shops, craft stands and restaurants. After lunch, free time to browse through the various shops and craft stalls before driving to Guatemala City. Familiarization tour of Guatemala City and transportation to your selected hotel. 2-Nights hotel stay in Guatemala City.

### Day 5 • Guatemala City • Copan Maya Ruins, Honduras Excursion SIC • Guatemala City (B)

06:00 pick-up for a guided full day group excursion to Copan, Honduras SIC (12 hours). Not far from the Guatemalan border lies Copán, one of the most spectacular Maya ceremonial cities of Mesoamerica. Cross border fee USD \$20 pp is payable at customs control (not included). Bring your passports! The town of Copán Ruínas, 1 km from the archeological site, is a small picturesque city with rough cobblestone streets and a buzzing central plaza. Copán is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Guided walking Tour of the archeological site. Colorful macaws fly unrestricted over the spectacular ruins and welcome visitors loudly upon arriving. Optional lunch (not included). We return to your hotel in Guatemala City for overnight. Tour includes Copan admission, transportation, English-speaking tour guide and breakfast.

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Tikal Maya Ruins, Guatemala



## Day 6 • Guatemala City • Flores • El Petén (B/D)

After breakfast, private transportation to the Guatemala City Airport (driver only). Departure to Flores. Assistance, meet and greet upon arrival by your personal tour guide. Familiarization tour through Flores Town. Flores is a quiet city with colonial-style buildings, cobblestone streets and encircled by the beautiful Lake Petén Itzá. Transportation to your selected jungle hotel for registration. Dinner. 2-Nights hotel in El Petén.

## Day 7 • Exploring Tikal Ruins (B/L)

08:00 after breakfast, guided group excursion SIC to explore Tikal www.tikalnationalpark.org. Tikal

is one of the greatest of the surviving classic Mayan cities. The pyramids here are examples of ceremonial architecture in the Maya world. Standing atop Temple IV, you are high above the rainforest canopy! The peaks of several temples poke through the dense vegetation, birds fly about and noisy howler monkeys make their presence know. Walk through lush jungle trails and experience the energy of the ancient Mayas. After exploring the ruins, we walk to the Tikal Restaurant. After lunch, return transportation to your hotel in the afternoon. Balance of the day at leisure.

**Optional** guided tours (not included) available such as zip lines, horseback riding, hiking through jungle trails or canoeing and crocodile watching on Lago Petén Itzá.

## Day 8 • Tikal • Cave Tubing • Belize Zoo • Belize City • San Pedro, Ambergris Caye • Caribbean (B/L)

07:30 pickup up and private transportation to the Belize border. After clearing customs, we continue towards Belize City. On-route to Belize City enjoy cave tubing through breathtaking grottos and float on one of the many rivers of the Belizean jungle. Enjoy a traditional rice and beans lunch before visiting the renowned Belize Zoo www.belizezoo.org. Transportation to the Belize City airport in the afternoon. Departure flight to San Pedro, Ambergris Caye Island. Assistance, meet and greet upon arrival. Transportation by golf-cart to your hotel for registration. 2-Nights hotel on Ambergris Caye, Caribbean.

# Day 9 • Ambergris Caye (B)

Free day. We suggest joining a fun day snorkeling excursion by motorboat (5-hours not included). There are many superb snorkeling sites in Belize, but the most popular one is www.holchanbelize.org. Discover the wonders of the Caribbean Sea with its pristine Maya coral reef and rich underwater world. Enjoy a tasty buffet style lunch on board before returning to your hotel. For dinner and entertainment, we recommend walking to the nearby town after sunset. Visit souvenir shops, walk along the beach and try some of the tasty rum cocktails while listening to lively Caribbean music. Overnight on Ambergris Caye. We suggest visiting The Blue Bayou Restaurant, this is the locals' favorite located on Secret Beach.

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Ambergris Caye

## Day 10 • San Pedro • Belize City Departure (B)

After breakfast, transportation to the San Pedro Island airstrip. Departure to Belize City.

**Optional** flight over the Blue Hole (not included and subject to availability): Combine your flight from San Pedro to Belize City with a scenic side trip over the amazing Blue Hole. Flight available upon request!

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## Private Guatemala, Honduras and Belize, Mundo Maya Tour in 10 Days. Our Tour Program Includes:

7-Nights hotel accommodation in Guatemala • 2-Nights hotel accommodation in Belize • Assistance, meet and greet • Private transportation and private guided sightseeing tours as per program • 15-Meals included: (B) 9 Breakfasts, (L) 5 Lunches & (D) 1 Dinner • Two Motor-Boat Tours SIC • Local English-speaking tour guides • Admissions, park fees and taxes • Assistance by Amigo Vacations Central America

# Not Included:

International and domestic flights. Optional meals and optional services.

Travel insurance. Tips for tour guides USD \$5.00 pp/day and for drivers USD \$2.50 pp/day.

Optional Domestic Flights (not included) www.tag.com.gt

Guatemala City-Flores • TAG 130-Daily Flight • 11:30-12:30

Belize City-San Pedro • TROPIC AIR-Daily Flight • 16:30-16:45

San Pedro-Belize City • TROPIC AIR-Daily Flight • 09:00-09:15

Airfare taxes included from... USD \$280

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### Prices 2019

Valid until December 20.2019. Not valid during congresses or any other major events.

### Option STF: Category Superior Tourist and First Class Boutique-Style Hotels

- 2-Nights Antigua, Guatemala Hotel Villa Colonial Antigua www.villasdeguatemala.com
- 1-Night Lake Atitlan, Guatemala Hotel Villa Santa Catarina Atitlan www.villasdeguatemala.com
- 2-Nights Guatemala City Best Western-Plus Hotel Stofella www.bestwestern.com
- 2-Nights Flores-Petén, Guatemala Hotel Villa Maya www.villasdeguatemala.com
- 2-Nights San Pedro Ambergris Caye, Belize Sunbreeze Hotel www.sunbreeze.net

### Based on 2-participants:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$2,398

#### Based on **3-participants**:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$2,198 Land price per person in Triple... USD \$2,098

## Based on **4-participants**:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$1,999

Land price per person in Triple... USD \$1,899

Single supplement add on double prices... USD \$570

## Option SFX: Category Superior First Class and Deluxe Boutique-Style Hotels

- 2-Nights Antigua, Guatemala Camino Real Antigua www.caminorealantigua.com.gt
- 1-Night Lake Atitlan, Guatemala Hotel Atitlan www.hotelatitlan.com
- 2-Nights Guatemala City Westin Camino Real Hotel www.hotelcaminoreal.com.gt
- 2-Nights Flores-Petén, Guatemala Camino Real Tikal www.caminorealtikal.com.gt
- 2-Nights San Pedro Ambergris Caye, Belize Victoria House www.victoria-house.com

### Based on **2-participants**:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$2,698

## Based on 3-participants:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$2,499

Land price per person in Triple... USD \$2,369

### Based on 4-participants:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$2,298

Land price per person in Triple... USD \$2,168

Single supplement add on double prices... USD \$840

Prices are subject to change. Terms and conditions apply. Program can be customized.

Group quotations upon request. Many other hotels in all categories are available upon request.

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