

**Pirates Cove Scuba
Cozumel Dive Trip
July 14 to July 18, 2010**

Dear Fellow Divers:

Pirates Cove Scuba's July Cozumel trip is closer than you think! And we might add, thank goodness after this winter.

As with all trips sponsored by Pirates Cove Scuba, there will be one of us on the trip to do our best to see that things go as smoothly as possible and that you have an enjoyable trip.

About the trip

This trip is five days and four nights with round trip airfare from Oklahoma City. No more driving to Dallas and staying overnight to catch the early flight. Eleven dives are included in the package. More details are provided below.

Trip Cost

The bad stuff first. The trip cost is \$1,099. There is a \$280 discount for non-divers. It takes a deposit of \$200 to reserve a spot on the trip. The final payment will be due on May 15th.

Travel

The trip cost includes round trip air fare from Oklahoma City Will Rogers World Airport ("OKC") to Cozumel. Travel times are as follows:

- The flight departs OKC at 6:30 AM on Wednesday, July 14th and arrives in Cozumel at about 11:32 AM.
- The return flight departs Cozumel at 3:25 PM on Sunday, July 18th and arrives back at OKC at about 8:48 PM.

Lodging

In Cozumel we'll be staying at Casa Del Mar. The phone number there is 52 (987) 872-19-00. You can check out Casa Del Mar on their website at www.casadelmarcozumel.com. The package price is based on double occupancy.

Diving

Now about the diving. The package price includes the cost of two boat dives Wednesday afternoon the day of arrival, three boat dives on Thursday, three boat dives on Friday, and three boat dives on Saturday. Unlimited shore diving is no additional charge. The shoreline in front of Casa Del Mar is a good spot for a night dive. Any boat diving in addition to the eleven included in the package price is \$30 per dive (\$40 for night dives).

Are you a beginning diver nervous about the diving? There is nothing unusual about that. There are divers of all levels on the Cozumel trips. Many new divers have made their first ocean trips with us to Cozumel. It's a great place to begin. Safety really is our primary

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concern and your diving experience is important to us. We dive with you. You are not on your own when you get there unless you want to be. There will be someone from Pirates Cove Scuba, another experienced diver, or one of the divemasters to buddy-up with you. You will dive a profile you are comfortable with.

A summary of what is included in the trip cost

- Round trip airfare from OKC airport to Cozumel.
- Lodging at Casa Del Mar, double occupancy. Add \$40/night for a private room.
- Airport transfers between the Cozumel airport and Casa Del Mar.
- Eleven boat dives (2 Wednesday & 3 Thursday, Friday, & Saturday). If you don't want to make all the dives you'll get \$30 refund for each dive you do not make.
- Breakfasts at Casa Del Mar.

Costs not included in the trip cost

Here are some things that are not covered by the trip package price:

- Lunches and dinners are not included in trip cost. Breakfast at Casa del Mar is included at no charge except that some beverages will be an additional charge.
- No tips are included.
- Tipping of the dive masters and crew is customary but is a personal matter, of course. We will collect tips on Saturday morning and will give the tips to the crew after the last dive. A common tipping guideline is \$3.00 to \$5.00 per dive. The Mexican dive operators strongly discourage individual tipping of the dive masters and crew. They have their own system of dividing up tips so that all participate. It is for this reason that we collect tips and give them to the Captain or staff at the end of the trip.
- There will be a marine park conservation fee of \$2.00 per day. You won't be able to dive without the permit issued for this fee. These will be purchased on-site when we get there. This permit fee will be your cost as it is not included in the package.
- Nitrox is \$10 per dive extra and not included in the trip package. Also, please let us know if you want to dive Nitrox-remember you have to be Nitrox certified.
- Technical diving will be available for those with the certification. Someone from the Pirates Cove and a local technical divemaster will be on every dive. Doubles, deco bottles, deco gas mixes and trimix will be available. If you are interested please meet with us and we'll work up a price for you. The package price will not apply for those doing technical dives.

Paperwork

You will be provided with a Casa Del Mar Registration Sheet and the dive boat operator's liability release. You will need to complete these forms and turn them in to us before the trip. These forms must be completed before you can dive. We will collect all the forms and deliver them to Del Mar Aquatics on arrival.

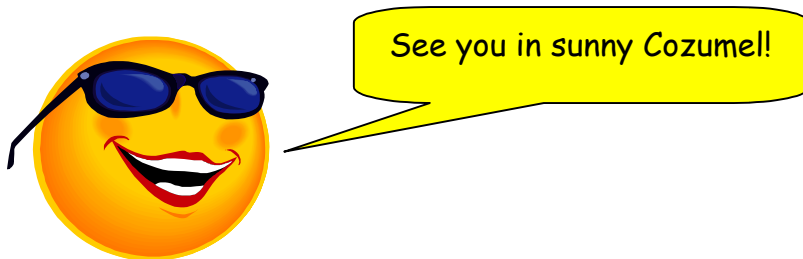
Other items you need to be aware of

- You must have a passport to make the trip.
- The name on your travel documents must be the same as on your passport.

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- We strongly recommend that every diver, especially those traveling outside the U.S., have diver insurance. There are a number of reputable agencies offering this insurance. We all have our coverage through DAN. This insurance is inexpensive, costing under \$100 per year depending on the plan selected. You can sign up for DAN insurance on line at www.diversalertnetwork.org or pick up an application at the store. Pirates Cove Scuba has no affiliation with DAN.
- Dress in Cozumel is relaxed. There's nowhere you can't go in shorts and a T-shirt.
- There are lots of good places to eat in Cozumel. Many of us have dinner each evening as a group, so if you don't know your way around Cozumel just join us. See Chris, Tommy, or Natasha with your questions about the best places for desert (especially ice cream). We are very knowledgeable in this area.
- Cozumel is a relatively safe place to visit. However, we've yet to find a place you can't find trouble if you look for it but tourism is the lifeblood of the Cozumel economy so they do a good job of looking out for their visitors.

And finally, there's probably more that we didn't think of so don't hesitate to call the store with your questions. If there are any special dives or dive sites you would like to try or anything else we might do to make your trip more enjoyable please let us know.



Chris, Tommy & Tasha

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