

## Maíz, Mole and Mezcal: A Culinary Journey To Oaxaca



Join fellow alumni travelers on an exploration of Oaxaca, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of Mexico's most beautiful colonial cities. Located southeast of Mexico City and surrounded by the majestic Sierra Madre mountains, Oaxaca has a rich artistic legacy that stretches back for centuries.

Due to the remote location of towns in the Oaxaca Valley, many indigenous crafts still survive shielded from modernity. Meet with local craftspeople who will show you their ancient techniques. Embark on excursions through the countryside to craft-producing villages and explore wood-carvers' workshops, artists' studios, ceramicists' homes, and weaving centers, and learn about the equipment and techniques that they use to create.

Examine the architectural masterpieces of the city, including magnificently adorned convents, monasteries, and churches. At Monte Albán and Mitla, learn about Zapotec and Mixtec cultures and civilizations.

December, 2021

**Day 1: Depart USA - Arrive Oaxaca**

**Day 2: Walking tour of Oaxaca  
Oaxaca City Markets**

**Day 3: Tlacolula Sunday Market  
Teotitlan del Valle - Tapestry  
weaving**

**Day 4: Cooking Class  
Ancient site of El Mogote**

**Day 5: Southern Craft Tour**

**Day 6: Monte Albán**

**Day 7: Depart Oaxaca**

# Oaxaca Program Highlights

- Welcome dinner evening of arrival;
- Walking tour of Oaxaca visiting the Museum of Oaxacan Cultures, the Church of Santo Domingo, and walk the green quarry stone streets that connect the Santo Domingo cultural complex to the Zocalo and Main Cathedral;
- See the famed Oaxaca markets of Benito Juarez ;
- Visit to village of Tlacolula to visit this beloved and ancient market that dates to prehispanic times and the tapestry weaving community of Teotitlan del Valle;
- An excursion to the very ancient and “Formative Period” site of El Mogote;
- Explore the Southern Craft Route including the towns of Ocotlan, Santo Tomas Jalieza and San Bartolo Coyotepec ;
- Visit Monte Alban was the first urban center of Mesoamerica and explore the on-site museum and the impressive ancient site that overlooks Oaxaca's Central Valleys
- Cooking classes to learn the art of making the Mexican specialties;
- Farewell Dinner



## Program Inclusions

- Hotel:** 6 nights' accommodation in first-class hotels in Oaxaca , including all hotel taxes and service charges;
- Transportation:** All ground transportation as detailed in the itinerary;
- Meals:** Breakfast daily, 5 lunches, 2 dinners;
- Luggage:** Porterage of one large suitcase per person;
- Guides:** Tour Director throughout program
- Tips:** All tips to driver/guide/hotel porter/chambermaids
- Airport Transfer:** Arrival and departure airport transportation is included

**RESERVE EARLY!**

**\$2,699**

**\$ 475 Single Supplement**

Per person, based on double occupancy  
Does not include international air

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