# TOUR INFORMATION - MEXICO'S COPPER CANYON - FEBRUARY 7 - 17, 2018

"JOURNEY THROUGH THE MEXICAN COUNTRYSIDE AND RIDE THE MOST SPECTACULAR TRAIN RIDE IN NORTH AMERICA!"

#### VERY IMPORTANT - A VALID US PASSPORT OR PASSPORT CARD IS NECESSARY TO TAKE THIS TOUR!

THE TEMPERATURES FOR A LARGE PART OF THIS TOUR WILL BE VERY PLEASANT. PLEASE BRING ALONG A LIGHT JACKET AND/OR SWEATER, SO THAT YOU CAN LAYER UP OR DOWN DEPENDING ON THE TEMPERATURE. SUGGESTED DRESS IS CASUAL THROUGHOUT THE TOUR.

YOU ARE ALLOWED ONE LARGE SUITCASE AND ONE SMALL CARRY-ON BAG PER PERSON. WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU KEEP YOUR CARRY-ON BAG THE SIZE OF A SMALL TOTE BAG. THERE IS VERY LITTLE OVERHEAD ROOM ON THE MOTOR COACH.

LISTED BELOW ARE THE NAMES AND INFORMATION OF THE HOTELS WHERE YOU WILL STAY ON THE TOUR. NOTE: THE TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF THE MEXICO HOTELS ARE LISTED IF THEY HAVE AN ENGLISH PHONE LINE. THEIR WEBSITES ARE ALSO LISTED. ALL MEXICO ACCOMODATIONS ARE FIRST CLASS PROPERTIES. PLEASE ALSO NOTE THAT ALL TIPS FOR LUGGAGE, MAIDS, INCLUDED MEALS, AND MEXICAN GUIDE AND DRIVER ARE INCLUDED.

\*YOU WILL NEED TO FILL OUT ANOTHER FORM AT THE MEXICAN BORDER FOR THE MEXICAN TOURIST CARD. THESE PREMITS COST APPROXIMATELY AN EXTRA \$25 USD PER PERSON.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR MOOSTASH JOE TOURS GUIDE AND DRIVER SUGGESTED TIP TO: *GUIDE* - \$2.00 TO \$3.00 PER PASSENGER PER DAY *DRIVER* - \$2.00 TO \$3.00 PER PASSENGER PER DAY (YOU MAY WANT TO TIP MORE FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE.)

#### WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7

RODEWAY INN 1110 LIBERAL ST DALHART, TX 79022 (806) 249-8585

#### SATURDAY, FEB. 10

HOTEL DIVISADERO BARRANCAS - RIM VIEW DIVISADERO, MEXICO ENGLISH PHONE: 1-888-232-4219

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14 HOTEL HACIENDA CASAS GRANDES, MEXICO

http://www.hotelhacienda.com.mx/

THURSDAY, FEB. 8 HAMPTON INN AND SUITES 6635 GATEWAY BLVD W EL PASO, TX 79925 (915) 771-6644

SUN. & MON., FEB. 11 & 12 HOTEL LA CHOZA EL FUERTE, MEXICO 1-698-893-1274 http://www.hotellachoza.com/

THURSDAY, FEB. 15 BAYMONT INN & SUITES 2300 N MAIN ST. ROSWELL, NM 88201 (575) 208-0536 FRIDAY, FEB. 9 QUALITY INN SAN FRANCISCO CHIHUAHUA, MEXICO

http://qualityinnchihuahua.com/

TUESDAY, FEB. 13 QUINTA MISION CREEL, MEXICO 1-915-613-2461 http://quintamision.com/

FRIDAY, FEB. 16

HAMPTON INN & SUITES 4002 W COMANCHE ST. DODGE CITY, KS 67801 (620) 225-0000

## MEXICO'S & COPPER CANYON - BRIEF ITINERARY

(TIPS ARE INCLUDED FOR THE MEXICAN TOUR DIRECTOR AND DRIVER)

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7 - DAY 1

MEET YOUR TOUR DIRECTOR AND DELUXE MOTOR COACH AT ONE OF OUR PICK-UP POINTS! LUNCH ON YOUR OWN IN GREAT BEND, KS AFTERNOON BREAK ARRIVE AND CHECK-IN TO THE RODEWAY INN, DALHART, TX EVENING MEAL AT THE BAR H STEAK HOUSE (**INCLUDED**)

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8 – DAY 2

BREAKFAST AT HOTEL **(INCLUDED)** ENJOY A TRAVEL DAY THROUGH THE NEW MEXICO COUNTRYSIDE ARRIVE AND CHECK-IN TO THE HAMPTON INN & SUITES, EL PASO, TEXAS WELCOME RECEPTION AND BRIEFING AT YOUR HOTEL WITH YOUR MEXICO TOUR DIRECTOR WELCOME DINNER AT LOS BANDIDOS DE CARLOS & MICKEY'S RESTAURANT **(INCLUDED)** 

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9 - DAY 3

Today's destination is Chihuahua, capital of the state of the same name. This afternoon's city tour provides many opportunities to explore Chihuahua's fascinating history and exciting present. We visit colonial and revolutionary landmarks such as the famous Pancho Villa's home, the Cathedral, the Spanish Aqueduct, murals at the State Capitol and residential districts. **Breakfast at hotel in El Paso; Lunch en route at a local restaurant, Dinner on your own** 

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10 - DAY 4

This morning we travel by private motor coach to Divisadero/Posada Barrancas. On the way we will visit the Mennonite community of Cuauhtémoc. It was settled by the Mennonites shortly after the Mexican Revolution and has been developed as one of the Mexico's leading agricultural areas. Our local tour includes a traditional light lunch. We will be able to browse through displays of handcraft Mennonites quilts and comforters. After lunch we will continue to Divisadero.

The view of the three Canyons that comprise the Copper Canyon makes Divisadero ("The lookout point") an unforgettable stop on your trip across the mountains. This area is four times larger than the Grand Canyon and gives visitors many memorable vistas of the pristine mountain wilderness.

This afternoon explore the mountains and canyons where the shy and primitive Tarahumara Indian lives in crude Log cabins and caves. The mysterious canyons conceal in their depth Indian caves and villages, old Spanish mines and modern villages. This afternoon enjoy the beautiful Tarahumara sunset over the Canyon. Breakfast at hotel in Chihuahua; Lunch at the Mennonite Community; Dinner at Hotel

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11 - DAY 5 - ALL ABOARD!!!

This morning enjoy a guided tour to "Parque Aventura Barrancas del Cobre" – a local park; for walking tours to different viewpoints like Mirador Piedra Volada, challenge your spirit adventure in the hanging bridge that crosses a small canyon and an included ride in the aerial tram; free time to try on your own the zip line or via Ferrata (optional-not included) and free time to buy nice crafts from the Tarahumaras and take pictures. This morning our tour guide will lead a walking tour along the canyon, then use your free time to bargain with the Tarahumara Indians who sell their handicrafts near the hotel. After lunch we will board the Ferromex "Chepe" first class train coach for our rail trip through the rugged terrain across Mexico's Sierra Madre Mountains to Divisadero. Our rail trip will continue through the Copper Canyon and the Colonial Town of El Fuerte for overnight. **Breakfast at the hotel; Lunch at the hotel; Dinner on your own** 

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12 - DAY 6

This morning we will enjoy a comfortable and enjoyable river raft tour. We will enjoy bird watching, as it is well known as bird watchers paradise. Then we will take a tour; visiting the colonial church, the municipal palace, the main plaza, the local market among others. The rest of the day is at leisure.

This evening join us at the swimming pool area for a show based on the legend of "El Zorro"; supposedly born in one of the hotel's rooms. **Breakfast at the hotel; Lunch at local restaurant; Dinner on your own** 

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13 - DAY 7 - ALL ABOARD!!!

Early this morning we will board the train and admire the beautiful scenery on the return trip. The train winds and bores its way through tunnels of the Tarahumara of the Western Sierra Madre. Lunch included on the train. Tonight we will stay at the lumber village of Creel. Upon arriving this afternoon; we will take a tour of Creel; visiting a Tarahumara Community, the Arareco Lake, the Mushroom Valley (rock formations), the San Ignacio old Mission (a Tarahumara church) and a Tarahumara cave. **Breakfast at hotel; Lunch on board the train Chepe; Dinner on your own** 

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 - DAY 8

This morning we will travel by private motor coach to Casas Grandes, the commercial center for this thriving region. A short distance from here is the Paquime Ruins. During the afternoon we will tour the brand new Museum of the Northern Cultures and Paquime Archaeology site, where both Pueblo Indian and Mesoamerican influences are evident in the buildings, ceremonial monuments and the large ball court. Before returning to the hotel, we will stop at a local fabric where we will see a Pottery demonstration with the opportunity to buy the famous Mata Ortiz Pottery. Tonight we will celebrate a Mexican Farewell Dinner Entertainment and Show. Breakfast at the hotel; Lunch at a local restaurant; Dinner at the hotel

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15 - DAY 9

It's time to return back to El Paso. Breakfast included at the hotel. Continue onto Roswell, NM where we'll be staying overnight. **Breakfast at hotel; Picnic Lunch; Dinner on your own.** 

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16 – DAY 10

BREAKFAST AT HOTEL (INCLUDED) TRAVEL DAY TO THE COWBOY TOWN OF DODGE CITY, KS LUNCH ON YOUR OWN EN ROUTE EVENING ARRIVAL AND CHECK-IN TO THE HAMPTON INN & SUITES, DODGE CITY, KS EVENING MEAL ON YOUR OWN AT THE BOOTHILL CASINO & RESORT

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17 - DAY 11

BREAKFAST AT HOTEL **(INCLUDED)** LUNCH ON YOUR OWN EN ROUTE RE-LIVE ALL THE WONDERFUL MEMORIES FROM YOUR COPPER CANYON ADVENTURE!

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