Tour Name

Lonely Planet Experiences: Mexico City Markets & Teotihuacan Pyramids

Tour City

Mexico City

Tour Snapshot

Brace yourself for a BIG day full of all things Mexican on this Mexico City tour to see three of the city’s best street markets, sample local delights like cactus candy, climb to the top of the Sun Pyramid, sip on sacred ancient traditional drinks, and dine at a local family home a delicious meal made by them with locally sourced ingredients …all in 12 hours of power-touring! Phew!

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Highlights

- Experience three of the city’s bustling local street markets, including a secret one that only locals know about, sampling tasty treats along the way
- Escape Mexico City to learn about Teotihuacan culture on the outskirts of the city
- Recharge your energy on top of the Sun Pyramid with a spectacular, panoramic view
• Explore a local town and gain an insight into the local way of life
• Share a delicious dinner with produce from local organic farms in a cosy Mexican family home
• Each Lonely Planet Experience comes with six-months free access to Lonely Planet's Guides App which includes over 8,000 destinations guides and unbeatable discounts to Lonely Planet Guidebooks

Local Impact: How you will help the local community by joining this tour:

• This tour visits the UNESCO World Heritage site of Teotihuacan, where you not only walk around the impressive area, but also learn about its history, meaning, and architecture.
• This tour is of a destination that suffers from over tourism, but is designed in a way that you won’t be contributing to the problem (max 12 people per tour, nothing provided that becomes waste during the visit to the archeological site).
• As part of the tour, you enjoy dinner at a local family home and at least 50% of their monthly income comes from this tour.

Inclusions: Bilingual local guide, all day public transportation, food samples, entrance fee to the pyramids, visit to two sustainable family projects, samples of cactus products, dinner at a local family’s home.

Exclusions: Items of a personal nature, souvenirs, drinks, gratuities for locals and UA guide

Schedule details

• Duration: 13 hours
• Meeting point:
  Museo Mexicano del Diseño (www.mumedi.org)
  Francisco I Madero No. 74, Col. Centro Histórico, Delegación Cuauhtémoc, C.P. 1600

• Find the exact meeting point with what3words: //knots.delight.lizard

• Starting time: 8.30 AM
Full Itinerary

This full day Mexico City tour is a combination of two of our most popular tours; Beyond Mexico City: Hidden Teotihuacan & Family Dinner and tour Mexico City Markets and Food Tour. It promises to give you an incredibly in depth local experience, from the bustle of the city markets to the peace of the suburbs and the serenity of Teotihuacan on the outskirts of the city.

We'll begin the day by experiencing three of Mexico City’s most exciting local street markets. The first one we'll visit is a relatively unknown art market, a highlight if you're a fan of Mexico’s most famous artist exports Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera. Next we'll make our way to one of the most bizarre markets in the city, before finally reaching a 3-in-1 market offering fresh fruits, vegetables, prepared foods, and the largest flower selection in the city. Along the way, you'll get to taste a variety of samples until you've a food coma, and ready to power nap on the way to the pyramids.

You'll awake refreshed and ready to encounter the Teotihuacan Pyramids, “where the men become gods”. We’ll begin our visit at the impressive Moon Pyramid, with a guided Teotihuacan tour to learn about the history, meaning, and architecture of one of the most representative icons of Latin America. Our exploration continues with a walk through the Calzada de los Muertos (Dead Pass) to reach the Sun Pyramid, which is the tallest and most spectacular in the area. We will have the chance to climb 66 metres up to the top - without the morning crowds, we'll have the whole pyramids to ourselves! Once on top you will feel the amazing energy that flows through the pyramids, and you will feel fully recharged and peaceful!

You will have some time to relax and enjoy the pyramids before we continue our walking tour through the streets of a local town and make two stops that will give you a deeper understanding of the local way of life outside the big cities. The cherry on top of our big day will be dinner! We'll be welcomed into a local family's home to see how locals live outside Mexico City. Here, we'll enjoy some real local flavours of typical Mexican kitchens served by one or two of the family members. Delicious!

After dinner, we'll head back to Mexico City, happy, full, and enriched from our exciting day exploring local life, ancient pyramids, and delicious food!

Additional information

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Dress standard: We recommend dressing conservatively, as we will be visiting non-touristy areas. Long trousers or jeans and a t-shirt is recommended. Leave your valuables, such as passports and credit cards, in the hotel and only bring a small amount of spending cash. In the family projects, they have local products on sale. If you’re thinking of buying a souvenir, you will be able to pay with cash or credit card. Small cameras are recommended, but if you do bring a large camera, keep it discreetly stored in a backpack. During the rainy season (May to September), we recommend bringing a raincoat or umbrella.

Your Trip: For your Urban Adventure you will be in a small group of a maximum of 12 people.

Confirmation of booking: If you have your voucher, your booking is confirmed. We'll see you at the start point. Get in touch if you have any concerns or require more information via the email address or phone number (business hours only) on your voucher.

Additional Information: This tour is a combination of tour Beyond Mexico City: Hidden Teotihuacan & Family Dinner and tour Mexico City Markets and Food Tour, which you can take separately on two separate days, if you wish. We use public private transportation when there are 8 or more travellers in the group.

Closure of sites: Some of the places visited along the route are local houses and businesses, which have irregular opening hours, so our stops may vary slightly, which makes each day new and exciting with this adventure.

Child Policy: Children between the ages of 6 and 11 inclusively are permitted on this tour at the rate listed above. Please select ‘child’ above when booking. Children below the age of 6 are not permitted on this tour.

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