

Cozumel, Quintana Roo, Mexico

Made famous by Jacques Cousteau in the 1960s, Cozumel sits atop the Mesoamerican Barrier Reef — the world's second-largest — delivering world-class diving, Mayan pilgrimage sites, and easy beach days from three dedicated cruise piers.

- Docked (3 cruise piers)
- Typical call: 8-10 hrs
- USD & Mexican Peso
- Spanish (English widely spoken)
- Top dive & snorkel destination

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Three dedicated cruise piers — all docked, no tendering required

Best For: Scuba diving, snorkeling, Mayan ruins, beach clubs, island loop by scooter or golf cart

Walk to Center: Punta Langosta: steps from downtown. International Pier & Puerta Maya: ~\$8-12 taxi ride; route and journey time depend on your assigned berth and destination

Don't Miss: El Cielo starfish lagoon, Palancar Reef dive, San Gervasio ruins, Punta Sur Eco Park

Getting around: **Taxi** \$5-\$12 USD · **Rideshare** not available · **Hop-on hop-off** Hop-on hop-off

TOP THINGS TO DO

- El Cielo Snorkel — Starfish Lagoon** — El Cielo ('heaven') is a shallow sandbar carpeted with hundreds of starfish in brilliant turquoise water.
- Palancar Reef Dive or Snorkel** — Part of the Mesoamerican Barrier Reef — made world-famous by Jacques Cousteau in 1961.
- San Gervasio Mayan Ruins** — Cozumel's own Mayan site was the island's most sacred — a pilgrimage center for Ix Chel, goddess of fertility and healing.
- Punta Sur Eco Park** — The island's southern tip is a protected reserve with a working lighthouse, El Caracol Mayan storm-warning ruin, crocodile lagoon, sea turtle...
- All-Inclusive Beach Club Day** — Mr.

BEST WALKS

- San Miguel Waterfront & Main Square** ~1.5 km · Easy · 30-45 min — From Punta Langosta pier, walk north along Avenida Rafael Melgar — the waterfront boulevard lined with jewelry shops, tequila tastings, and dive shops.
- South Pier to Town Walk (International or Puerta Maya)** ~3-5 km · Moderate · 45-60 min — A long but pleasant walk north along the coastal road from either southern pier.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

🌤️ CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				🇲🇽 DAYLIGHT & 💰 MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:29AM–7:06PM · Jun 6:07AM–7:29PM · Aug 6:27AM–7:16PM · Sep 6:35AM–6:50PM · Oct 6:43AM–6:23PM	
Apr	84°	77°	7d	USD & Mexican Peso	
Jun	85°	79°	18d		
Aug	87°	80°	17d		
Sep	86°	79°	21d		
Oct	85°	78°	22d		

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Watch the time zone. Cozumel runs on Eastern Standard Time (EST) year-round — no daylight saving. In summer, that's one hour behind ship time if you sailed from the US East Coast. Confirm with Guest Services before going ashore.
- Pesos beat dollars at restaurants. USD is accepted everywhere, but you'll pay a ~10-15% premium on the exchange. Withdraw pesos from a downtown ATM (avoid pier ATMs — poor rates). Skip exchange booths.
- Taxi fares are fixed and posted. Official rate cards are at every pier exit. Confirm the price before you board — no meters. Cabs carry up to 4 passengers at the same flat fare.
- Book water tours at the pier, not just online.
- Tulum day trips are risky on short calls.
- East coast beaches = beautiful, not swimmable.

ESSENTIAL TRAVEL QUALIFICATIONS

- Route and journey time depend on berth, permitted port exit and destination. Existing taxi estimates are not verified tariffs; confirm posted total before boarding.

Cozumel, Quintana Roo, Mexico — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 San Gervasio Archaeological Site | Cozumel's largest Maya ruin complex, once a pilgrimage site dedicated to the goddess Ixchel. | 2 Museo de la Isla de Cozumel | Island history museum on the waterfront covering Maya heritage, reef ecology, and colonial history. |
| 3 Benito Juárez Park | Central town square in San Miguel, hub of local life with shops and events. | P Cruise port / terminal | |