How to use this brochure

Tap any button in the contents to go to the selected page.

Tap the button to get back to the contents page or to the selected map.

Tap the logo or the image to go to the webpage.

Tap the logos to access the weather forecast, take a virtual tour of archaeological sites via Street View, enjoy videos and photos of Puerto Morelos.

Follow us in social media and keep up to date with our latest news, promotions and information about the tourist destinations in Mexico.

Produce by:
1. **Puerto Morelos**

2. Top things to do in Puerto Morelos.

3. Puerto Morelos.

4. Hotels.

5. Map of Puerto Morelos.


7. Water Activities.

8. Snorkeling.


10. Diving.

11. Diving conditions.

12. The best dive sites.


15. The Cenotes Route.


17. Natural and theme parks.

18. Other attractions.

19. Parks and attractions map.

20. Essential food experiences in Puerto Morelos.

21. Spa and wellness.

22. Shopping.

23. Weddings and romance.
Puerto Morelos is an authentic fishing village typical of the Mexican Caribbean, it has a unique personality with a calm, bohemian and relaxed atmosphere. It is located almost exactly between Cancun and Playa del Carmen and less than 20 minutes from the Cancun International Airport.

This beautiful coastal town is the perfect destination for those looking to enjoy contact with nature. It is an adventure destination where wonderful natural attractions such as mangroves, lush jungle and cenotes stand out.

The iconic leaning lighthouse located along the beach is the result of the foundations being washed away by Hurricane Beulah in September 1967.

The area known as National Reef Park of Puerto Morelos is part of the second largest reef barrier in the world and the reef nourishes rich biological communities that are well preserved.
Top Things to do in Puerto Morelos

Discover the National Reef Park of Puerto Morelos. It is an ideal place to have a snorkeling or diving tour.

Feel the thrill of adrenaline as you glide along treetop zip lines.

Enjoy a breathtaking beach setting, and spend the day at a beach club.

Explore the “Ruta de los Cenotes” (or Cenotes Route).

Take a walk down a wide and beautiful beach.

Visit Maya Ka’an, an ecotourism destination which is perfect for travelers who enjoy the outdoors.

Cenotes dot the jungle and they are all absolutely spectacular and a great place for swimming.

Feast on a wide variety of flavorful and fresh fish in the local setup.

Visit other destinations in the Mexican Caribbean: Cancun, Isla Mujeres, Holbox, Playa del Carmen, Tulum, Cozumel, Mahahual, Bacalar or Chetumal.
The average weather in Puerto Morelos is absolutely fantastic, hot all year round, and the average annual temperature is 78.4 °F (25.8 °C) with very stable weather systems. The rainy season goes from May to October, and a cooler, relatively dry season from November to April. The hottest month of the year in Puerto on average is June, the coolest month on average is January, and the rainiest month of the year is September. Generally speaking, dry season offers the most comfortable weather when the temperature is around 73°F (23°C).
Puerto Morelos has a wide variety of top-tier accommodations with exclusive boutique hotels and All-Inclusive resorts. And budget-focused travelers will always be pleasantly surprised by the hostels, cabins, small independent hotels.
Puerto Morelos is a crescent of powder-soft sand bathed by gentle waves. Generally, the beaches are wide, sandy and uncrowded, a short stroll should secure you a quiet spot. The spectacular Mesoamerican Barrier Reef is just offshore and protects its beaches from any rough surfs, some of the best family-friendly beaches in the area.

The beautiful beach at Puerto Morelos can be access from the main square and there are some other accesses every few kilometers.

This tropical bliss is an excellent spot for a family beach vacation. There is a playground for the kids near the promenade and is an excellent spot for snorkeling, you will be able to buy the gear locally on the town’s main square or rent some from one of the locals just past the pier. There are several beach clubs where you can pull up a lounge chair – hammock, read a good book, order delicious dishes or your favorite beverage and put your toes in the sand.

Ventana al Mar beach, is located in front of the main square, and is one of the beaches of the Mexican Caribbean with the Blue Flag certification.
Puerto Morelos is a true paradise for those who enjoy water activities, particularly snorkeling and diving, since National Reef Park of Puerto Morelos is just 500 meters away from the beach. The reef offers the widest variety of corals and marine life, near the coast the water is shallow and the seabed is covered with seagrass. This is also the perfect spot for windsurfing, sailing, kayaking and boat tours.
Snorkel

In Puerto Morelos the water is crystal-clear and the currents are typically gentle. Here you’ll enjoy snorkeling on the world’s second largest barrier reef, a thriving, living coral reef that will please even the most experienced snorkeler. Once you find yourself at the barrier reef, you will discover the widest variety of corals, and you are likely to see angelfish, butterfly fish, lobsters, barracudas, sea turtles, and many more swim through the colorful coral on the ocean floor. There are countless tour operators at various points on the beach and docks and you’ll have all the necessary equipment along with a guide to guarantee a fun and marvelous snorkeling experience at some of the best-preserved reefs in America.
Fishing

Lining the beach near the town square there are many small boats known as “pangas” with small crew eager to take you fishing. In Puerto Morelos the popular catch includes grouper, snapper, wahoo, or barracuda. If you are looking for more comfort there are 20 to 28-foot private charter fishing boats very well equipped for deep-sea fishing to take you where the big game fish love to lurk, like sailfish, white marlin, yellowfin tuna, dorado, and a variety of other species available for retention. Remember, all billfish are released.

Did You Know?

Various international fishing tournaments are held throughout the year.
Diving

The National Reef Park of Puerto Morelos is one of the best options in the Mexican Caribbean for diving. It is a place that allows you to enjoy the underwater world regardless of your level of experience. Additionally, this destination offers you other options for diving such as the magical cenotes, caverns and several shipwrecks.
Diving conditions

It’s possible to dive in Puerto Morelos throughout the year and is suitable for all levels of diver from beginners to advanced divers. The water temperatures remain constant year-round and cool only slightly during the winter months. On average, water temperatures vary between 78 and 82°F (25 and 28°C) and the visibility here can vary between 33 to 98 feet (10 to 30 m). The depth range is between 16 and 131 feet (5 to 40 m). And the best season to dive in Puerto Morelos is during the summer months.

Divers regularly encounter large pelagic fish and spotted eagle rays from December to April. But you want to enjoy your first turtle encounter, the best season runs from May through September when you can live amazing experiences with green and loggerhead turtles.

The best time for cenote diving is between May and September. These months bring the best light to the caves and result in awesome perfect social media pictures.
The best dive sites are:

**El barco cañonero C-56 Juan Escutia**

A former mine sweeper, was used by the USA during World War II and deliberately sunk to create an artificial reef by the Mexican Navy. The depth for diving in the shipwreck is 100 feet (30 m) is covered with corals, sponges, gorgonians. It is home to a wide variety of creatures of all shapes and colors. There is a possibility of wreck penetration diving, that can be done through the engine room and the state rooms. It is a place for expert divers because of the strong currents and is not recommended to dive at this site in bad weather.

**Puentes (Bridges)**

With natural bridges and where you can find big fish has a depth of 60 feet (20 m)

**Jardines (Gardens)**

A true coral garden with a great variety of marine life where you can dive to a depth of 40 to 50 feet (13 to 17 m). It has good visibility and is a good beginner dive site.

**Manchones (Spots)**

So called because there are large spots of coral formations interspersed with sandy areas. It has a depth of 60 feet (18 m).

**Herradura (Horseshoe)**

It is a true aquarium at a depth between 45 to 50 feet (14 to 15 m).

**La Pared (The Wall)**

It is a huge wall with coral heads that almost reaches the surface. The wall starts to get interesting around 30 feet (10 m). The waters are calm and clear - perfect for the beginner as well as night dives.

**Cuevones**

It is a series of small caves with depths from 60 to 65 feet (20 to 22 m). This coral reef has gentle currents with good visibility. Here the most common species are nurse sharks and stingrays.

**Ojo de Agua**

This is a unique place; it is actually a cenote that lies offshore and easily accessible from the beach. The cenotes are characterized by fresh, filtered groundwater, but it is not in the middle of the jungle it is under the ocean. Reaching this beautiful underwater “eye” involves a delightful journey because as you swim towards the waters flowing out of the cenote, following the blurry swirl of fresh groundwater entering the salty ocean, you can feel the difference in temperature between the cool groundwater and the sun-warmed sea. The coral reef harbors a remarkable biodiversity and is usually full of barracudas.

**Rodman**

Because of strong current, this dive is recommended for experienced divers. Visibility at the site varies drastically but in a good day you can feast your eyes on coral and rich underwater sea life: rock lobsters, eagle rays, reef fish, and eels.
Nature and Adventure

For adventure lovers, Puerto Morelos is the departure point for a myriad of exciting adventures. Near Puerto Morelos there are many cenotes and underground rivers, so you can explore the Mayan jungle, either walking or by bicycle. You can also enjoy the experience of horseback riding or driving an ATV. There are fun activities for all ages, from your youngest to adventurous teenagers or adults, like snorkeling, hanging bridges, zip lines or scuba diving, among many others.
The Cenotes Route

Puerto Morelos offers a unique adventure, the “Ruta de los Cenotes” (Cenote Route). This is a magic experience in the middle of thick jungle dotted by cenotes. You can drive an ATV or a bike down dirt tracks and follow your guide along the route. The tour will provide a lot of fun options for the whole family. You have the chance to try activities such as stand-up paddleboarding, horseback riding, hiking, bird watching, zip line circuits, swimming, snorkeling and diving.

Cenote Las Mojarras

It is an open cenote, one of the largest in the area with 213 ft. (67 m) in diameter and 46 ft. (14 m) deep. The park has two zip-lines, and two towers, 20 ft. (6 m) hight, for jumping into the cooling waters. If you don’t want to swim, you can enjoy an ATV tour and Horseback riding tours. There are restrooms, hammocks, picnic area, and camping areas.

Cenote Siete Bocas

This is a great place, a wonderful cenote as it is shaped by rock formations dating back million of years. The name Siete Bocas (Seven Mouths) is because the place has 7 different acces that are connected by water under the ground. This can be a magical experience since each entrance is different, some with steps or ladders where you can climb into the cenote through the tropical foliage and rock formation to the blue pool. Once inside the cavern a slim shaft of light illuminated the massive stalactites and made the water look beautiful and clear. This is a swimming cenote but you can bring your own snorkel gear, but if you like the adventure you can dive in the entries 6 and 7. There are bathrooms, changing area, hammocks and shade palapas for a picnic, but you have to bring your own food and drinks.

Important:

- The use of life jackets is mandatory.
- Pets are not allowed.
- Do not use sunscreen or insect repellents to avoid disrupting the ecosystem.
- It is very important that before entering a cenote or underground river, you take a shower to remove all the chemicals you have on our body.
- This route is for certified divers, and you must show your diving certification.
**Boca del Puma**

It is located in a magical ecological reserve in the heart of the Mayan jungle. At Boca del Puma you can experience a real jungle adventure filled with history and culture, as well as some fun activities like: snorkel, seven extreme zip line, a challenging circuit of ATV’s, and a natural gum village.

---

**Important:**

This cenote is for swimming and snorkeling only. If you want to dive you must show your diving certification.

---

**Cenote Verde Lucero**

This is a great place for nature lovers, is an open sinkhole that looks like piece of paradise with a crystal clear water and surrounded by large trees with massive roots that protrude from the cliffs. The scenery will make you feel like you are in the middle of a jungle. Easy walk from where you park your vehicles. You walk down some stone steps to a lower tier and you find a set of wooden steps that leads down about 20 feet (6 m) down to an enormous swimming hole with clear turquoise water and seemingly no bottom. The maximum depth is 66 feet (20 m). If you want to experience a bit of adrenaline rush, there is a zip lining, and you can zip from one point of the cenote and then jump off into the water. Look for the freshwater turtles that make their home here. It has restrooms, palapas and grills to cook your own food. Also offers lifejackets if you need it.

---

**Cenote Chilam Balam**

Experience the emotion of driving an ATV vehicle through a wonderful natural environment. At the end of the ride you can cool off in a beautiful cenote where you can dive, swim or snorkel. This cenote has a natural platform in the center, where you can see how the roots get lost down into the emerald waters.
Cenote La Noria
This cenote is part of the “Tres Reyes (3 Kings)” group of cenotes. This is a favorite for cave divers since it is 60 feet (18 m) deep and 154 feet (47 m) wide, but it is also a nice place to swim. There’s a floating platform at the center of the cenote, so you can swim to reach it and float. Cenote La Noria also features a jumping platform, a tire swing and loads of cool cave decorations to explore. The cenote is a natural habitat of thousands of bats already accustomed to the presence of humans.

Cenote Kin-Ha
Explore the crystal clear waters of Cenote Kin Ha, a cavern surrounded by stalactites! Swim in its refreshing waters, rest on its platforms, jump on the zip line and admire the beautiful colors that shine inside as the rays of the sun filter, undoubtedly an experience you can not miss! Cenote Kin Ha has a diameter of about 131 feet (50 m) and a depth of about 164 feet (60 m), and it is a unique place for diving with bell-shaped formations and astonishing light effects (only certified divers).

Cenote Zapote
Here you can enjoy three beautiful cenotes, Zapote, Las Palmas and El Abuelo Che Che.

The cenote Zapote is a true natural wonder with crystal clear waters and surrounded by lush greenery. This is a place full of history and mystery, here was found a fossil belonging to a lazy Cretaceous era about 10,000 years ago. This is a large open cenote with 118 feet 36 meters (36 m) in diameter and 206 feet (63 m) deep. Here you can jump from a platform with a height of 8,10 and 14 meters high.

Cenote Zapote is a great choice for experienced divers because the unique speleothems bell-shaped formations known as “Hell’s Bells”, this dive will take your breath away.

The second cenote is Las Palmas, another open cenote with a high jumping platform and underwater cave system below. If you’re brave enough, you can jump into the water, or walk down the stairs to the lower platform to get into a pool crystal clear water. Other option is to fly on zip-line over the water to 49 feet (15 m) high and 98 feet (30 m) long.

The last one is Abuelo Che Che, is an underground cave like cenote full of stalagmites and stalactites. Here you can swim and snorkel.

There are other activities such as zip-lining in the jungle, bicycles, hammocks, and a restaurant with regional food.
The Cenotes Route

Symbology

- Camping
- Biking
- Diving
- ATV’s
- Hammocks
- Swimming in an open-air cenote
- Swimming in a cave cenote
- Nature watching
- Turtle Watching
- Polo
- Restaurant
- Snorkel
- Zipline
- Temazcal

© 2021. All rights reserved. Contents can not be reproduced for commercial purposes.
Wildlife encounters

Puerto Morelos, like some other destinations in the Mexican Caribbean, offers the opportunity to admire and learn about the wildlife and plants around the area. There are several parks where you can be in contact with amazing animals such as:

**Jardín Botánico Dr. Alfredo Barrera Marín**
The second largest botanical garden in Mexico, this 65-hectare reserve has about 2km of trails where you can appreciate more than 300 species of plants from the region. As you walk through the garden, you can see a great variety of plants organized in different collections: ornamental, epiphytes (orchids and bromeliads), palms, ferns, succulents (cacti and their relatives) and plants used in traditional Maya medicine. Inside the garden you will also find a natural gum (chicle) camp, a nursery, a small Mayan site known as “El Altar”, a typical Mayan house, a 130-foot suspension bridge, three observation towers. Spider monkeys can usually be spotted in the afternoons, and a tree-house lookout offers a spectacular view of the jungle and the Caribbean Sea, but the climb isn’t for those afraid of heights.

**Croco Cun Zoo**
It is an interactive conservation zoo where you will have encounters such as touching or petting, feeding, and holding crocodiles, monkeys, deer and snakes. Located on the Cancun - Tulum highway, 30 minutes south of Cancun.

**Toh Natural Reserve**
This 500 hectare natural reserve and it is nestled in the heart of the Mayan jungle. The reserve focuses on activities for environmental protection. Here you will have the chance to explore cenotes and enigmatic caves. This is one of the best places for birdwatching in the area, but you can spot some other animals like: ocelots, skunks, coatis and peccaries. The reserve offers wide range of activities and workshops including day and night nature walks, hiking, camping and meditations.

---

**Did You Know?**
It is one of the largest botanical gardens in Mexico and the most important in the region.
Snorkel Native Park
In this park you will discover the National Reef Park of Puerto Morelos and the magical underwater world inhabited by beautiful multi-colored fish and spectacular reef formations. You can also relax and unwind in the beach club while admiring the turquoise tones of the Caribbean Sea and enjoy a delicious buffet and refreshing open bar.

Selvática
Selvatica is an eco-park; probably the largest one located along the Ruta de Cenotes. If you want to have an “Epic Adventure”, this is the right place. This park offers a circuit of 10 zip lines, the fastest and most exciting ziplines in Cancun, speedy ATV fun down jungle trails and a beautiful sacred cenote to refresh yourself and take a daring leap. Adrenaline junkies will love Aqua Zip and Tarzania. The first one gives you all the fun of the all-air experience is for you to decide finishing dry or getting soaked in the water at the end. The second is a half-coaster, half-zip line amusement ride unlike any other.

Xenotes
A tour that shows the different types of cenotes that exist in the area through various activities in each of them: zip lines, kayaking and aquatic exploration swim, to fully enjoy in perfectly adapted natural environments and feel in harmony with these enigmatic places.

México Lindo Cooking
The diversity, creativity and history that distinguish Mexico can be savored in each one of its dishes. The secrets of Mexican cuisine can be yours in this colorful traditional (well-equipped) kitchen where the professional chefs, or “authentic alchemists”, will take you on a culinary trip throughout Mexico. The classes are designed for the serious foodie and gourmends. While you are learning the preparation of each course of the meal the chef will tell you interesting facts and stories of the ingredients and tools like “comal” and “molcajete”. There are many options to choose from based on your experience level.

Rancho Bonanza
This ranch offers you a unique experience that combines amazing landscapes, noble horses and friendly guides. During the tour you will ride among jungle exotic vegetation and orchards, where you may see monkeys, lizards and a wide variety of birds. You will ride until arriving at a fascinating cenote where you will be able to cool off by swimming in its crystal clear waters. In addition, you will know the history and origin of chewing gum.

Parque Loma Bonita
Located in the heart of a beautiful jungle this Ecological Park can give you a day of adrenaline, nature and fun. Climb as a monkey into the treetops for a zipline adventure (10 towers in 6 lines and 2 suspension bridges), race down trails on a speedy ATV, enjoy a peaceful horseback ride though the tropical landscape, or take a refreshing swim in a sacred cenote. This park will fulfill your need for speed and excitement in a lush jungle; the combination of adventures will take your breath away!

El Rey Polo Country Club
El Rey Polo Country Club is the first polo club in the Mexican Caribbean. It is located in the middle of the jungle and features a a 60,000 m² polo field, a 5,000 m² jumping track, a 10,000 m² paddock and stables for 30 horses. It also has a club house with restaurant, a bar, and a wine pavilion (open only during events), and a large outdoor pool. Regular polo matches are on the calendar and visitors are welcome to watch.
JOYÁ - Cirque Du Soleil
Located 15 minutes south from Puerto Morelos, JOYÁ is the first Cirque du Soleil resident show in Mexico an unexpected combination of culinary and performing arts in an intimate setting, a mesmerizing experience that engages all your senses. Follow the story of an alchemist and his granddaughter seeking out the secrets of life. The show draws on the heritage and history of Mexico. Dine on savory dishes as the magic unfolds before you in this whimsical, thrilling show.

Jungala
Jungala Aqua Experience combines family fun and luxurious relaxation, transports visitors to the dramatic beauty of the jungle, with its towering trees, many caves, lagoons, water sprouting from natural pergolas and lost ruins. The park features wonderful new dining concepts from a gourmet snack hall to a pool bar nestled in the cove of the lazy river, private concierge service, a sophisticated spa, luxurious VIP cabanas located throughout the park, and a selection of the world’s best water rides, including the longest lazy river in Latin America, cutting-edge wave pool with waves up to 1.5 meters high, and the Aqua Play Rain-Fortress, the largest interactive play structure in the world.

Xavage
This park promises a wild day out where you can challenge yourself in some of the most thrilling activities on land, in the water, and in the air. Find something for everyone’s taste, including enjoying unlimited food and drink. Paddle a kayak along two circuits of canals; board a Jet Boat that will take unpredictable turns, zigzag your way downstream on the thrill-pumping Barracuda white water rapids. If you prefer the land, you can hit the heights on one of the most extreme high ropes courses in Latin America, fly through a zip-line in a horizontal position to enjoy the view from above or hop in the Puma Rock Crawler off-road vehicle to rumble over 15 rugged obstacles. The little ones can have fun in an area designed just for them.

Xoximilco
If you want a colorful night experience of Mexican culture, customs, traditions, music and food Xoximilco is the right place. From the second you arrive, Mexico’s essence presents before you with a Mexican carnival with games, snacks and a musical surprise to start an evening full of emotions. It’s on board a colorful Mexican gondola known as “trajineras”, that will take you on a ride through the charming natural scenarios of Xoximilco, where live music will set the mood so you can dance and sing with the rhythms of the entire country. In addition, a personable host will be with you all the time with games, telling fun stories and guaranteeing a joyful night.
Essential food experiences in Puerto Morelos

Puerto Morelos is a quaint fishing village, so the typical cuisine consists of cooking the daily catch and many restaurants offer a wide array of dishes with fresh fish and seafood. There are restaurants for every taste with national and international cuisine, but you may try some Yucatecan dishes like Fish Tikin-Xic (exquisite mixture of achiote and sour orange), panuchos (fried tortilla filled with ground beans) or Cochinita Pibil (thin pieces of pork with orange juice and achiote).

For a small town, Puerto Morelos has a wide variety of fantastic restaurants from world-class cuisine to more casual places where you can savor delicious “pescadillas” or traditional pizzas. The wide range of options include, beach clubs, cafes and seafront restaurants with incredible views of the Caribbean Sea. In the town’s main square, right next to the pier, you will find small and cozy establishments. If you have a passion for food, Puerto Morelos will exceed your expectations.

Le Chique Restaurant:
Located at the Azul Beach Resort Riviera Cancun hotel, Le Chique is considered one of the best restaurants in Mexico and one of the best 50 restaurants in Latin America. This is a must stop for foodies traveling to Puerto Morelos. Le Chique offers an experiential, multi-sensory dining adventure that will challenge any notions of how fine cuisine should look, feel and taste. This is modernist cuisine, where nothing is as it seems, everything on the menu was designed to puzzle, amuse and amaze you.

Chef Jonatán Gómez Luna, an award-winning chef, and his talented culinary team have mastered the art and science of cooking to achieve astounding new flavors, textures and shapes. Add a focus on regional ingredients, sustainable growing practices and available wine pairings. For sure you will have a dining experience that’s both a visual feast and culinary triumph.

Puerto Morelos’ nightlife scene is pretty calm and relaxed. You will find some beachside bars with live entertainment (jazz musicians, bands, etc.)

TIP:

Puerto Morelos’ nightlife scene is pretty calm and relaxed. You will find some beachside bars with live entertainment (jazz musicians, bands, etc.)
Most of the best hotels in Puerto Morelos have spa services so you can relax and pamper yourself in the midst of an incomparable landscape. They offer hydrotherapy circuits, thalassotherapy, and a full array of facials, wraps and massages.

Puerto Morelos an ideal place to relax and unwind, and you can find small and cozy establishments with local therapists that combine ancestral knowledge to balance of body and mind.
There are no brand retail stores or malls in Puerto Morelos, but you can browse along the main square and a block or two where you will find different stores or stalls with a wide variety of items like hats, beach bags, handmade jewelry, clothing and accessories inspired by local Maya culture, hammocks, hand-painted pottery, woven linens and garments and seashell mobiles, among other things. Locals make some of these products, but there are some other items come from other parts of Mexico.
Puerto Morelos is another perfect setting in the Mexican Caribbean to say “I do”, either on and palm-studded beach feeling the soft warm breeze, in the most incredible scenery of the Mayan jungle or next to a cenote.

For the bride and groom looking for an unprecedented experience, there is also the possibility of having an underwater wedding. Or, if you are an ocean lover but prefer to stay dry, you can celebrate your wedding on a sailboat, a catamaran or a luxury yacht sailing into the sunset, a truly magical moment.

This charming destination has great wedding planners that will make your life easier and your special day fantastic.

In Puerto Morelos you can have a traditional ceremony, or a Mayan wedding guided by a Mayan shaman who will present the bride and groom to the four elements (earth, water, fire, air). In the altar there will be some offerings like corn and cacao beans symbolizing union and prosperity. There are some other ceremonies with sand, snails or stone and although they’re not legally recognized, will make your special moment a mystical and unforgettable experience.