

GeoTours Guatemala – APRIL 7 - 15, 2017 – \$1090 - Organized by Matt Ebner WWW.GEOTOURS.US

Includes hotels, transportation, many entries/activities, breakfasts

Airfare is not included. Round-trip LAX-GUA-LAX costs around \$600 + 1-way Flores-GUA costs around \$120

Fri 4/7/17 – Depart USA and Arrive Guatemala; Guatemala City to Antigua (45 minutes driving time)

Fly Avianca or Delta from Los Angeles, arriving in Guatemala early around 6 or 7 am
Drive 45 minutes to Antigua, old colonial capital, located below Volcan Agua (volcano)
Antigua is one of the most pleasant towns of Latin America
Pleasant temperatures (5000' elevation)
Beautiful colonial-era buildings and cobblestone streets
Good restaurants and shopping with very good prices
Walking tour of Antigua
Two nights in Antigua



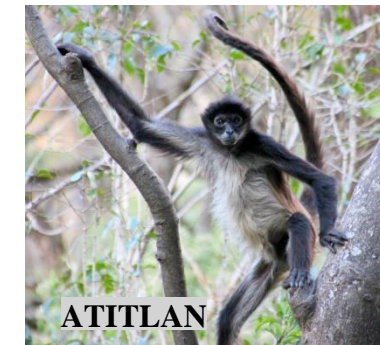
Sat 4/8/17 – Antigua

Full day in Antigua
Saturday is market day in Antigua, very active in the morning
Time to soak up the ambience of Antigua
Option to do a hike up active Volcano Pacaya (medium difficulty) with a group
Can ride a horse partway up. Might get close to flowing lava! 7-hour tour leaves at 2 pm
Night #2 – Antigua



Sun 4/9/17 – Antigua – Panajachel on Lake Atitlan (3 hours on the bus)

Palm Sunday in Antigua with elaborate processions
Depart for Lake Atitlan in late morning
Atitlan Nature Reserve has nice trails, forest, monkeys, and option to go zip-lining (\$30)
Lake Atitlan is a caldera lake (like Crater Lake in Oregon)
Surrounded by volcanoes and villages with traditional Mayan culture
Oftentimes called one of the world's most beautiful lakes
Pleasant temperatures due to 5000' elevation (mid-70s)
Two nights in Panajachel, on Lake Atitlan in a lakefront hotel



Mon 4/10/17 – Panajachel & Lake Atitlan (No driving today)

Take a boat (15 minutes) to village of Santa Cruz
Hour walk along the lake to Jaibalito
Great views across the lake to 3 volcanoes
Boat from Jaibalito to Santiago Atitlan
Visit the pagan shrine for Maximon
Night #2 - Panajachel



Tue 4/11/17 – Panajachel – Guatemala City – Rio Dulce (8 hours on the bus; our longest day)

Long drive to Rio Dulce, viewpoints en route
Two nights in **Hacienda Tijax, Rio Dulce** on the river amidst mangroves and jungle; nice pool

Wed 4/12/17 – Day trip around Rio Dulce (2-3 hours on the bus)

Sunrise option to go kayaking amidst the mangroves or walking in the rainforest
Castillo de San Felipe, a Spanish castle built to fight British pirates
El Boqueron - river trip (20-30 minutes on the water) through a canyon in a dugout canoe
Can swim/float back down the river (about a half mile)
Finca El Paraiso Hot Waterfall (into a cool river) – bring your swimming suit and towel
Night #2 - Hacienda Tijax, Rio Dulce



Thu 4/13/17 – Rio Dulce to El Remate; 6 hours on the bus

Drive Rio Dulce – El Remate, check into hotel (4 hours driving time)
Afternoon visit to ancient Maya city of Tikal with English-speaking guide
One of the greatest ancient cities of the Americas; we'll walk about 2 miles
Night #1 – El Remate – Casa de Don David, located on Lake Peten Itza

Fri 4/14/17 – El Remate – Guatemala City (Flight)

Morning flight from Flores to Guatemala City (1 hour)
Optional return to Antigua to see Good Friday activities
Antigua's Semana Santa is the most famous Holy Week event in the Americas
Elaborate processions over colored sawdust, beautifully designed on cobblestone streets
One night in Guatemala City



Sat 4/15/17 Guatemala City – USA

Depart Guatemala City to USA in morning (Delta) or in the evening (Avianca)
Free time in Guatemala City or Antigua if departing in the evening
Arrive LAX same day (Saturday) and have Easter Sunday at home

Registration Form - GeoTours Trip to Guatemala: April 7 – 15, 2017 - \$1090



REGISTRATION/PAYMENT PROCEDURE

1. Complete this form (or photocopy) and submit it to Matt Ebner/GeoTours. Keep a copy of this completed form.
2. Attach a \$200 payment (made payable to GeoTours LLC) to this form and mail to GeoTours at the address below or submit payment online through www.popmoney.com or www.paypal.com, payable to payment@geotours.us. You can also make an online bank transfer if you are a customer of Chase (through QuickPay) or Wells Fargo (SurePay) (other banks also have this option) to mattebner@geotours.us or 310-686-8171 (GeoTours phone #).
3. Second payment of \$400 is due on December 10, 2016.
4. Final payment is due on January 31, 2017. If signing up after January 31 full payment is due with registration.
5. Payments made after February 28 will be assessed a \$75 late fee.

Payments should be made payable to GeoTours LLC and sent to:

GeoTours
1547 E. Puente Street
Covina, CA 91724

CONTACT:
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SPECIAL DISCOUNTS!

- Sign up with your deposit by June 30, 2016 and receive a \$50 discount
- Sign up July 1 - September 30, 2016 and receive a \$25 discount
- Sign up with a roommate and each of you gets a \$25 discount
- GeoTours alumni receive an additional discount of \$25 multiplied by the number of GeoTours trips they have done (maximum \$75 alumni discount)
- Maximum total discount is \$125

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION (Please print clearly and use your precise name as it appears, or will appear, on your passport)

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Gender: _____

Address _____ City, State _____ Zip _____

Are you a US citizen? Yes ___ No, I am a citizen of _____ Passport # _____ Expiration _____

Email Address _____ Date of Birth _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

ACCOMMODATION REQUEST - The program price is based on double occupancy. If you sign up without a roommate we will try to match you with a roommate (of the same gender), but this is not guaranteed. A single room incurs a supplement of +\$350.

Please check one: Sharing a Twin room (2 beds) _____ Sharing a Double room (1 large bed) _____ Single Room _____

Name of preferred roommate (if any) _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Name _____ Relationship _____

Address _____ City, State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell (_____) _____ Email Address _____

Cancellations

In order to cancel your participation in the tour, you need to inform GeoTours in writing. Cancellation date is the day when GeoTours has received your written cancellation notice.

Date of Cancellation	Cancellation Penalty	Date of Cancellation	Cancellation Penalty
On or before August 31, 2016	\$100	December 1 - 31, 2016	\$400
September 1 – October 31, 2016	\$200	January 1 - 31, 2017	\$600
November 1 - 30, 2016	\$300	After February 1, 2017	No Refund

The above cancellation fees are in addition to any unrecoverable fees paid by GeoTours on behalf of the passenger, such as non-refundable airline tickets.

Responsibility

The program participant agrees that GeoTours LLC assumes no liability whatsoever for loss of property, injury, accident, illness, death, irregularity and delays during the duration of the tour. In addition, the program participant agrees to hold GeoTours LLC harmless for damage and delay due to equipment problems, quarantine, declared or undeclared war and insurrection, terrorist and criminal activity, revolt, civil disturbance, hostility, military action, strikes, labor unrest, any "act of God" or nature and for any act of any third party. The participant, by registering for this tour, agrees that GeoTours LLC is not responsible for delay, rerouting, omission and additional expense resulting from the passenger's improper travel documents such as passport, visa and health document. Any losses and expenses related to such circumstances are within the responsibility of the program participants and not of GeoTours LLC. GeoTours LLC is not responsible for acts of any government authority. GeoTours LLC reserves the right to adjust itinerary and contents and to substitute accommodation providers as deemed necessary. GeoTours LLC reserves the right to accept or decline any person as a program participant as well as to refuse to retain any participant's membership in the program. Participants that do not participate in an activity or entry, or who leave the tour early or arrive late, will not be entitled to any refund. By registering for this tour, the participant agrees to all such terms and conditions.

I have carefully read and agree to the regulations above.

Participant Signature _____

Date _____