



A Taste of Baja—Seasoned With Whales and Rock Art

Join the Museum and local guides on an unforgettable adventure to view gray whales in Scammon's Lagoon. Take a boat ride with whales while visiting one of Baja California's most pristine locales. Side trips may include stops at Guerrero Negro to visit a bird-filled marsh and Vizcaíno Desert to view ancient cave paintings.

About your leaders:

Esther Mitrani was born in Ensenada, Baja California. She graduated with a degree in psychology at the Universidad Autónoma de Baja California, and then worked in a professional employer organization in San Francisco. She has worked as a tour guide for almost ten years and joined Andiamo in 2002. Esther is an eager traveler and loves sports and languages.

Maria Mitrani lives in Ensenada, Baja California, and since 1985 has conducted specialized tours of Baja California. Mitrani has a B.A. in Italian and art history from the University of California at Berkeley.

Dates: Thursday, February 25; 6 PM to Sunday, February 28, 2010; 10 PM

Cost: Member \$520; Nonmember \$570; Single supplement \$140; \$40 discount for third person in room.

DAY 1

Meet at the Mission Brewery Airport Parking located at 1765 Hancock Street, San Diego (\$8 per day; 619.296.7275). Begin the trip after work to spend a relaxed evening in Ensenada and enjoy a no-host meal. Overnight at Corona Hotel (011.52.646.176.0901).

DAY 2

Visit the San Vicente Community Museum. Lunch stop in El Rosario. Enchanting desert scenery accompanies you the entire day. Overnight at La Pinta in Guerrero Negro (011.52.615.157.1304).

DAY 3

Begin with a drive through a pristine bird filled salt marsh. Scammon's Lagoon (Ojo de Liebre) is located next to the world's largest producer of salt. The four-hour excursion includes a drive through the salt beds, the guided boat ride among the whales, and lunch. Begin return trip in the afternoon to allow a relaxed stopover in Cataviña. Overnight at La Pinta in Cataviña (011.52.555.151.4604).

DAY 4

Enjoy the early morning strolling through this desert garden. Lunch is in a typical San Quintín restaurant with fresh sea food or Mexican specialties. A brief stop is made in Ensenada.

Cost includes:

Round-trip transportation by bus, three breakfasts and lunches, three nights' accommodations, guides, taxes and tips (for included hotels and meals), and boat tour of Scammon's Lagoon.

Cost does not include:

Evening meals and fee for Mexican tourist card (\$20–\$25, good for six months); we will provide the card to you.

Note:

Passport is required.

To register, call 619.255.0203 or visit www.sdnhm.org.