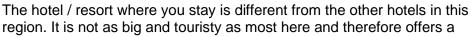


Mexico Baja

Area

The intersection of the sea of Cortez and the Pacific Ocean. An area extremely rich in flora and fauna. Here, in addition to many marine mammals, you will also come across many species of fish. Along this coastal region there is a continuous migration of fish. Because this location is located on the inside of the peninsula, there is practically no fishing day that is lost due to possible wind or high waves. Furthermore, the drop off starts at about 500 meters from the coast, so you can start trolling very quickly and the big fish are also within easy reach. The sea of Cortez is a protected nature reserve where commercial trawlers / longliners are prohibited. The fish stock here is good and is also kept up to date with the help of catch & release.





nice contrast to mass tourism in surrounding big cities like Cabo san Lucas or La Paz. With around 30 rooms, it is closed off from the hustle and bustle and directly by the sea. Daily breakfast and dinner can be enjoyed outside on the terrace overlooking the ocean. This is truly a beautiful location where you will find all you desire.



All rooms are air-conditioned and spacious. Furthermore, there is a good sports bar at the private pool where after fishing the stories are told about the numbers and lengths of fish that are caught and missed. And all this while enjoying for example an ice-cold beer is a pleasant combination. The staff is very friendly and will do everything to make your stay run smoothly.



If you are not only interested in fishing, but also in diving or snorkeling, this is the place to be and you will be amazed by the exuberant underwater scenes. This is quickly and easily organized on the spot as well as other extra activities.



Fishing

At this location, in addition to nature, fishing is also very good. The beauty of this location is that there are several possibilities to go fishing here. So you don't have to go trolling every day.

Trolling:

From the panga's and cruisers you fish with lures and of course bait. The bait comes in two types and depends on the fishing you are going to do that day. First there are the sardinas. These are small fish of 7 to 10 centimetres that are used for fishing dorado, roosterfish, needlefish etc.



The second species is a mackerel that is around 20 to 30 centimetres in size and is used for sailfish, tuna and the marlin. The fish is usually prepared on a large hook and when a hunting / jumping fish is spotted, the bait is slowly dragged behind the boat.

All the bait is bought in the morning before departure from the local fishermen who offer it for an amount of approx. 25 US dollars. Make sure you have these amounts of cash on board to pay for these bait fish.



Bottom fishing / jigging:

In addition to trolling, it is also possible to fish actively yourself and to roll up your sleeves. You can go jigging or bait at different depths or you can also fish with poppers for groupers, roosterfish, wahoo, tuna, scierra's, amberjacks, bonito's, needlefish, permits, jack crevalles etc.. If you catch this kind of fish with your own 10 to 20 lbs of material, it is a real pleasure to hook up and land it.

As you fish deeper and with bigger bait, we also advise you to use heavier material. The amberjackes as shown on the picture next to this will take the utmost of your equipment and of you!





Beach fishing:

From the beach fishing is also a very small effort to keep yourself busy and catch many species of fish. Directly in front of the hotel, for example, there is already a rock formation around which there is a lot of activity. With a spinner, spoon, popper, jerkbait, lure, streamer or natural bait you will definitely catch fish here.

During our trip we spoke to a man who had fished from the house pier all day. We left around 7 am and came back around 4 pm. He was still on the pier fly-fishing but he was already 330 fish away! Of course these were not very large fish but with a light rod you can have a lot of fun here. Another good alternative is to take a walk on the beach at sunrise or sunset with your spinning or fly rod. You are guaranteed to encounter hunting fish at a short distance from the beach. And that is not always limited to the small sizes.



Kayak fishing:

At this location there are also specialized fishing kayaks available for guests to go kayak fishing. Alone, accompanied, in a group or for the advanced ones far out to sea on sailfish, marlin, tuna or large dorado's.

The size and strength of the fish to be caught depends on the knowledge and skills of the kayaker. On request, it is also possible to be accompanied to the deeper waters by boat, after which it is possible to catch larger specimens. You should not be surprised when a sailfish of 100 to 150 lbs. violates your bait and you can treat yourself to a "Mexican sleighride".







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Fly fishing:

It is also possible to combine this fising with (fly)fishing from the beach and from the panga's for the middle and deep water for wahoo, dorado, tuna, sailfish, striped and blue marlin. If you still feel like (fly)fishing after a long day of fishing, you can go from the beach for roosterfish, jacks, needlefish, etc. perfectly.



A local and specialized fly fishing guide is available (at extra cost) to assist you with the choice of equipment and bait. You can also rent the right equipment from him if you want to alternate fishing and get started with a fly rod. You can also choose to go with him along the beach in his jeep or quad to the perfect spots along the coastline. However, he can also join you on the panga and assist in fly fishing for the larger species.

Material

The pangas are of the walk around type, 8.5 metres long, fully equipped for fishing and can accommodate up to three anglers. With a bimini-top for shade, a powerful 4-stroke engine from 80 to 150 hp and a captain, nothing stands in your way to make your move in- and offshore. These boats are suitable for up to 3 people. If you want to fly-fish, we advise you to go with a maximum of 2 persons.

The cruisers are for the bigger and more luxurious work and are equipped with a fighting chair. They start at 28 feet and are suitable for up to 5 people. These boats are sailed by a captain and a deckhand.



The boats are equipped with all necessary equipment such as VHF, GPS and fishfinder. In addition, there are of course the necessary outriggers to offer the bait in the right way.



With both types of boats it is possible to troll where the difference is that from the panga you can fish with less rods. The advantage is that the panga has a continuous wind that blows over the boat and cools down on hot days, unlike cruisers where you sit behind the wheelhouse out of the wind and in the sun. Furthermore, fishing from the panga is with stand up drills and there is no fighting chair on board.

The boats depart every morning around 07.00 hours from the home pier where the guests can easily board and the provisions are directly loaded. The return is around 15 to 16 hours.



For all types of fishing it is possible to bring your own equipment. If you don't have your own equipment you can of course rent it on the spot for a small surcharge. "Terminal Tackle" such as lures, leaders and hooks are on board.

If you choose to bring it yourself, a selection of different types is best. The medium spinning rod from 30 to 60 grams, a rod from 50 to 120 grams, a short boat rod from 10 to 20 lbs and the boat rod from 30 to 50 lbs for trolling. When trolling mono line is mostly used but if you already have braided line on your root then it is also possible to simply add 50 to 100

braided line on your reel then it is also possible to simply add 50 to 100 meters of mono line to get the necessary stretch on the line to absorb the shocks of the marlins, sailfish, tuna, dorado, etc.

To spin from the beach, spoons, lures and poppers are the appropriate material. Make sure that they are seawater resistant. The teeth of the fish that swim here are on average bigger and stronger than the average sea fish. Another option is to explore the beach with (a float and) a single hook and live bait. Behind the boat they often fish with a single hook and free lining live bait. For jigging speedjigs are good to use here in weights of 100 to 250 grams depending on the current and depth.

For fishing from the kayak generally 10 to 20 lbs. material is used. Again, the same (artificial) bait species are used for fishing. Short rods (up to max 2.10 meters) in combination with a reel with at least 300 meters of line.

The kayaks are all "sit on top" and are very stable. The kayaks can also be towed to deeper water to fish for the larger species.



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Season / weather

The season runs from March to November. Temperatures gradually rise towards the summer months. During the year, the average night-time temperature does not fall below 15° C, with daytime temperatures ranging from 22° to 35° C throughout the year these are pleasant temperatures and perfect conditions for fishing. Due to the low humidity, it is ideal to stay in this beautiful and varied location on the west coast of Mexico on the Pacific Ocean.

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|----------------------|-----|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|----------|-------|-----|------|-----|-----|
| Specie | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
| Striped Marlin | | | | х | i | | 1 | | | | | |
| Blue/Black Marlin | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sailfish | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dorado | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yellowfin Tuna | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | - |
| Wahoo | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Roosterfish | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sierra | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pargo/Cabrilla | | | | | | | | | | | | - |
| Amberjack/Yellowtail | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Prime | | | | Good | | | | Fair | | - |

Given the weather, it is important to use good polarizing sunglasses, wear long-sleeved t-shirts, use sun lotion and wear a cap at all times. During our trip in October, all these items were all required. Also drink sufficient water until you are back at the resort and in the pool or at the bar and then have your first beer.

The period May/June is very good for the striped marlin and provides good numbers. This marlin species is about as big as the sailfish and is easy to catch. In this period the roosterfish and dorado are also good to catch.

The blue and black marlin are most common after the warm summer months but in lesser numbers than the striped marlin. The size of the blue and black marlins on the other hand is significantly larger and therefore more spectacular. The tuna, sailfish and wahoo coincide with the period of the blue and black marlins. This means that there is a division in seasons.





Travel & Price

You should fly in to La Paz or Cabo San Lucas. You will be picked up at the airport and with an hour's drive you will be in your air-conditioned hotel room. You decide in advance what type of fishing you want to do and when. You can for example stay 7 nights and go fishing for 6 days. The stay is based on a double room, breakfast, lunch, dinner and fishing license are included. Of course this trip can be made as you wish. Length of stay and types of fishing can be arranged according to your wishes.



The cost of the trip is determined by the type of fishing. Assuming 2 days biggame with a 28 foot cruiser, 2 days with the panga and 2 days kayak fishing, the average price is \notin 2.000,- per person based on a group of 3 persons. This includes hotel accommodation in a triple room, 3 meals per day, fishing license, local extra taxes and service charge (tip hotel).

Not included are international flights, U.S. visa (if required), possible rental of fishing equipment, possible fly fishing guide, bait fishing, tip for captain/guide, return transport from airport to hotel (about \$ 80 to \$ 120,- one way for 2 to 4 persons) and drinks at the hotel.

Would you like to inquire about the availability of this location or would you like an offer, please contact

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