

CenAm 2015

Mexican Gold



Lajitas, San Luis Potosi, Xilitla, Uruapan, Guanajuato, Loreto

Jan 23 – Feb 1, 2015

This year, we have chosen Lajitas TX for our meeting place prior to starting our CenAm trip. Lajitas is located in the Big Bend country of Texas right on the Rio Grande River. This five star resort is a class act. With a 36-hole golf course as well as horseback riding, jeep & quad tours, fine dining, a full service spa, skeet shooting, and a western “shoot out”, there is never a lack of something to do. And regarding the shoot-out, this is not for wimps as they give you a gun and you walk down a frontier town street and shoot at bad guys as they pop up. And we are not talking blanks, we are talking real bullets. Although the official start of CenAm is the following morning, you might consider coming out a day or so early to enjoy some of what Lajitas offers.

Day 1, Fri, Jan 23: San Luis Potosi (Hotel San Francisco)

After breakfast and checking out of the resort, it is out to the ranch’s airport where all will do their preflight, departure announcement, and then when departing to the south from the airport, there is a good chance you might not have your wheels up before you cross into Mexico.

Our destination is San Luis Potosi where we will check into Mexico and after a short taxi ride, have our first social followed by dinner and overnight stay.

Day 2-3, Sat/Sun, Jan 24/25: Tamuin, (Hotel Gusman in Xilitla)

After our short flight to Tamuin we will leave our aircraft and continue on to Xilitla where we spend the night before we visit the gardens of Las Pozas. Las Pozas is one of Mexico’s most interesting man-made marvels.

Located in the deep jungle, Las Pozas was created by the wealthy Britt, Sir Edward James, who was rumored to be the illegitimate son of King Edward. He, along with his lover Plutarco and a host of slaves, focused on creating their own Garden of Eden. Funded by an inherited unlimited fortune and disillusioned with the art world in Europe, he somehow ended up in the Jungles of the Mexico and for the next thirty years built Las





Pozas. Here you will find waterfalls, stairways that go no-where, paths that wind through the jungle, and all kinds of animal sounds that make you back-up a step or two. Las Pozas, a place that is a favorite on our list.

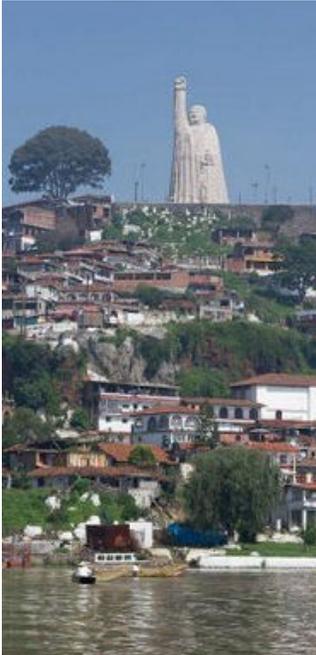
Day 4-5-6, Mon/Tue/Wed Jan 26/27/28, Uruapan (Hotel Mansion del Cupatitzio)

Our next stop will be Uruapan and we will be there for three nights. Uruapan is one of the most hidden treasures in all of Mexico. It has a small International airport that is located right in town, the DGAC is friendly and eager to help, taxi rides are short, and our destination is the Hotel Mansion del Cupatitzio.



Located in one of

Mexico's National Parks, the hotel and grounds could be right out of CondeNast Traveler. There are many things that can be done there. Last time we were there, we spent three days and still did not have enough time. This is one of my favorite cities and one of my most favorite hotels.



The day trip that we have planned is to go out to the Paracutín Volcano. Paracutín erupted in 1943 and over the following nine years doused the surrounding 40 sq. kilometers with molten lava. Located in this area was the village of San Juan Parangaricutiro. We will visit the area via horseback where we will view the amazing sight of the town's church spire and walls emerging from a sea of hardened lava

The second day will be to Lake Patzcuaro where we will take a launch to Island Janitzio. Here is where fishermen fish with butterfly nets and you will have the opportunity to climb into the head of Morelos. The last day is open and will allow for visiting the national park next to our hotel or, visit the town square or, visit a fabric factory that is all but closed down or.....



Day 7-8, Thu/Fri, Jan 29/30, Guanajuato (Hotel Posada Santa Fe)

The airport is about 30 minutes from town. The price last time we were there was about US\$40 for a 6-passenger van (one way) and about US\$30 for a 4-passenger taxi.

Guanajuato is a unique city, as quoted from our 20th edition of “Airports of Mexico”:

Guanajuato is a great little city crammed onto the steep slopes of a canyon with underground tunnels that act as streets. With cobblestone streets, Guanajuato is a university city that is known for its arts programs as well as a major center for Spanish immersion classes.

Places to visit include the Teatro Juarez, the Universidad de Guanajuato, the Museo del Pueblo de Guanajuato, as well as the Museo y Casa de Diego Rivera.



Another fun place to explore is the Callejon del Beso, the narrowest of the many alleys climbing the hills from Guanajuato's main street where the balconies of the houses on either side of the alley all but touch. If you kiss on a certain step in this alley, your marriage is said to last forever. (there is always a line waiting to stand on that step)



About 15 miles from Guanajuato is a bronze

statue of Jesus that is said to be located in the exact geographical center of Mexico. Look across the runway from the terminal building at the airport to see it.

Once you get under Guanajuato and the driver stops and says you are there, believe him. You are as close as you can get to our hotel via car.

Just walk up the cobblestone sidewalk and when at the corner, turn left into the hotel. (trust me)



Day 9, Sat, Jan 31: Loreto, Baja Sur

As a perfect wrap up to a great trip, our last night will be in Loreto at the four star Hotel Mission. Home for our annual Whale watching trips, Loreto is the best of the best. Named a “Magical” city by the Country of Mexico, the airport is quick and easy, the hotel is right in the middle of

town, and all is good. There we will have our wrap-up dinner, start saying goodbye to our old and new found friends, and start thinking about our trip home in the morning. Loreto, Hotel Mission, the perfect way to complete CenAm 2014

Day 10, Sun, Feb 1: Back to the US

The sun is just starting to rise in the East as you sit on your private balcony sipping your first cup of coffee. There is no hurry, just the feeling of contentment as you soak in your view of the Sea of Cortez. The Town, The Hotel, The perfect way to complete CenAm 2015.

All that is left is a leisure breakfast, the short taxi ride to the airport, and the quick 300 some mile flight back to the US.

Life is good....

CenAm '15.... Not a trip but an experience

Registration Price	
Adult, double occupancy	\$1,950
Adult, single occupancy	\$2,340
Child, 12 and under sharing room with adult	\$ 975
Aircraft registration (included Cuba over-flight permit)	\$ 400

Prices include:

- BBP lead aircraft
- L1/L2 Charts, trip book including airport diagrams
- Assistance with APIS, flight plans
- Information on side trips
- Information for flight back home
- Lodging (nine nights)
- Dinner (nine)
- Breakfast (eight)

Price does not include:

- Aircraft expenses
- Visas, landing fees, etc.
- Lunches
- Ground transportation other than chartered bus at Xilitla and Lake Patzcuaro
- Personal expenses

Note: Locations, accommodations subject to change without notice for any reason.

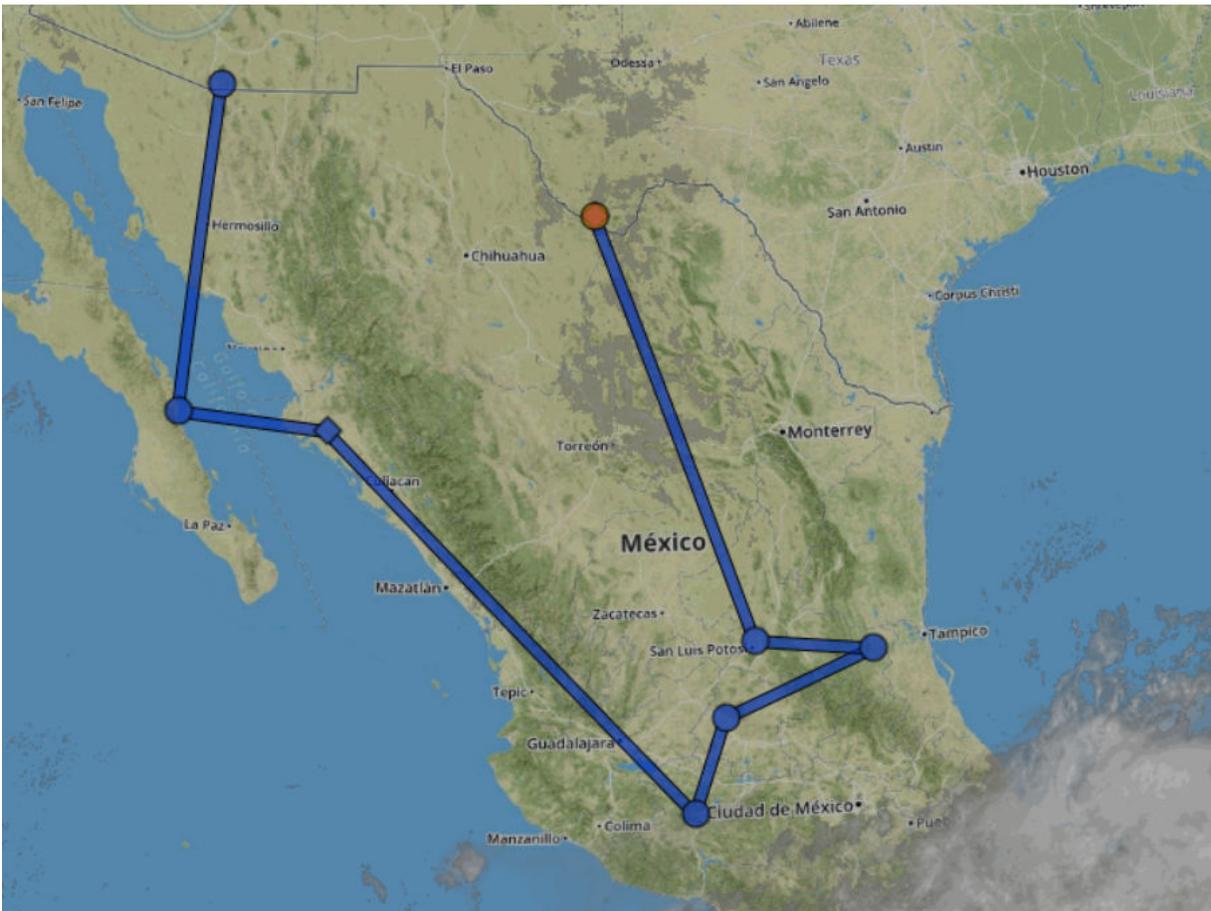
Cities/Countries/Nights	Name
Lajitas TX (night prior to start of trip)	Lajitas Golf & Resort Spa
San Luis Potosi	Hotel San Francisco
Xilitla	Hotel Guzman

Uruapan	Hotel Mansion del Cupatitzio
Guanajuato	Hotel Posada Santa Fe
Loreto	Hotel Mission

Note, airports in upper case are ICAO airports, lower case are national.

Airport ID	Name	Status	Fuel	Elev	Length	Surface
89TE	Lajitas, Texas	National	No	2,030	7,500	Paved
MMSP	San Luis Potosi, MX	Intl	Yes	6,035	9,867	Paved
MMTN	Tamuin, MX	National	No	164	4,735	Paved
MMLO	Leon (Guanajuato) MX	Intl	Yes	5,956	11,480	Paved
MMLT	Loreto, MX	Intl	Yes	34	7,218	Paved

From (Official trip)	To	Distance
89TE	MMSP	447
MMSP	MMTN	119
MMTN	MMLO	162
MMLC	MMPN	101
MMMZ	Fuel Stop if necessary	
MMPN	MMLT	649
MMLT	KOLS	328



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Name: _____ Date: _____ BBP # _____

Pilot and all passengers must sign (Children 12 or younger must have parents signature)

	Signature	Nickname	DOB
1 Pilot	_____		
2 Passenger	_____		
3 Passenger	_____		
4 Passenger	_____		
5 Passenger	_____		
6 Passenger	_____		

We have read, understand, and agree to the “Details”, Waiver of Liability”, “Cancellation Policy” and “Deposit Policy” for the above named Bush Pilots trip.

Pilot Information:

Address: _____ City _____ State/Zip _____
Office# _____ Fax _____
Cell# _____ E-Mail Address: _____
Specialty* _____ (*will not disclose unless notified first)

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Telephone(s) _____

I don't want my personal contact information i.e. telephone # provided to others on this trip

Persons	Cost PP	Number	Extension
Adults			
Adults (single occupancy)			
Children 12 and under			
Airports of Mexico / CenAm			
Bahamas & Caribbean Guide			
L1-L2 & L3-L5 Chart Set			
Aircraft registration fee			
Total:			

Mail with check or fax with credit card information. If by credit card:

Credit Card Number _____
Expiration Date _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Baja Bush Pilots Waiver and Cancellation Clause

Now For the Details and The “Legal” Part

Like any long-distance travel venture with personal aircraft, there are some things we can do and others that are beyond our control. The BBI wants to recap those so there are no misunderstandings about any of it. After all, we take some of your money and this is what we can give and cannot give you for it:

We do and/or provide:

Try to find and pay for the best hotels with clean and comfortable rooms, some meals, occasional good music and periodic libations.
Arrange for fun side trips and excursions
Set up receptions for when you arrive
Suggest the best routes and times to fly
Provide some bus/rail transportation/shuttles
Provide airport security at some locations
Provide liaison with the hotels, airports, etc
Act as gracious host, cinema photographer, and confessional box to those who need it
Help to find assistance or mechanic if needed in case of an aircraft mishap or funny landing
And most important, we do provide an opportunity for a unique experience with fellow pilots and fliers, which generally proves to be more fun than you know what to do with.

We encourage you to obtain and possess (you can't get here without some of them):

Proper passports, visas, aircraft permits, licenses, insurance, emergency equipment
Aircraft and personal insurance, a flight plan, emergency information
Safety equipment, emergency equipment, pre-flight weather briefings
Proper charts, weather information, in flight data
Credit cards or cash for fuel, parking or airport fees, customs, immigration, or other duties required in foreign countries
Medicines with prescriptions, protective Rx's for heat, sun, insects, rashes, Montezuma's gift for *gringos*, and other common or not so common maladies.
Clothing, flashlights and any special diet foods

We cannot provide:

That the route, hotel, area, etc. that we travel to/stay in will be as indicated:
Weather/flight/route guarantees
Five-Star Accommodations, electricity, hot water, and sometimes even water.
Guarantees of your safety or security, or that of the aircraft
Perfect landings or landing strips, tie downs everywhere, Taxis, umbrellas in the rain
Medical, Accident or Evacuation Insurance
Refunds if weather or aircraft conditions prevents you from arrival at any destination
Additional expenses for the pilot and/or passenger because of delays of any kind.
Guarantees against everything from mosquitoes to funny critters
Changes in foreign governments' policies on customs, immigration, fees, taxes
Insurance for any of the items mentioned above

So, for that and all your money, your self and all with you agree to sign our release prior to or upon arrival at your first stop on the trip. (so says our lawyer)

Baja Bush Pilots Waiver and Cancellation Clause

Waiver of Liability and Consent and Registration Form

I intend to participate in activities sponsored by the Bush Pilots Intl Ltd. Organization (hereafter "BBI") in or outside of the United States of America, during which time I will either be operating an aircraft, or a passenger in a participating aircraft.

I understand that the activities involved may expose me to certain risks not normally encountered in my home country. These risks include, but are not limited to, exposure to sun, heat, and tropical climates, adverse weather patterns, limited airport and medical facilities, as well as a variety of differing customs, legal requirements and laws in any of the foreign countries that will be visited. The travel, activities, and locations in these countries could possibly expose me to tropical diseases, viruses, infections, malaria, cholera, insect bites, stings, poisonous snakes, as well as contact with plants and trees capable of causing allergic reactions in human beings. I also realize that the medical treatment facilities outside the United States are often quite limited, and cannot be expected to provide the same level of health care and emergency services, which I would expect in the United States. I also understand that the level of police protection, government stability, and emergency services may also be at levels below that which is customarily found in my home country.

The activities sponsored by BBI during this period, including the lodging, food, and services, are all subject to unknown conditions and circumstances within the host countries, which may be beyond the ability of BBI to control. BBI cannot fully guarantee that any of the accommodations, suggested routes of travel, airport services, or other facilities, will be free from change requirements, or in exact conformity with the written materials and information which have been provided. Every effort has been made to ensure that they conform with the written materials; however, BBI cannot and does not exercise any control over any of these accommodations, airports, or other facilities, which I will be using during this travel.

I also understand that the countries in which I will be traveling ordinarily do not have the level of police services, police protection, or freedom from criminal activity that is ordinarily found in the United States. Neither BBI, nor Jack McCormick are guarantors of my personal safety, the safety of any aircraft, or my personal possessions during any period of this travel activity. I understand that I must maintain all required aircraft, personal property, and medical and personal evacuation insurance necessary to protect the aircraft, my property or me during these activities described in the literature provided to me. I have received and reviewed written information describing the trip, activities, suggested routes, precautions, accommodations, and other useful information, and I understand that there may be modifications of some of these necessitated by situations encountered during the travel activities, which may be entirely beyond the control of BBI, its agents, servants or employees.

The pilot of each aircraft participating in these travel activities retains the sole and exclusive responsibility and discretion to determine whether or not to fly to or from any given destination, alter a suggested route, time of departure or arrival, or make any other changes which the pilot in command of the individual aircraft believes are in the best interests of the safety of the aircraft, and his or her passengers. BBI, Jack McCormick, their agents, servants or employees do not assume any responsibility or liability for the safety of any participating aircraft, pilot or passengers, during any of the travel, flight operations, or other described activities that are in any way related to those specified in the literature provided to me prior to this travel venture. BBI, Jack McCormick, his agents, servants and employees have made no representations or warranties to me regarding any of these activities, and I have received no promises or other warranties from any of them that they assume any legal liability or responsibility for any accident, injury, mishap, occurrence, or other adverse event, which might occur during these activities.

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In the event of a dispute arising from my participation in these activities, or arising out of or in any way related to the travel, flight, airport facilities, accommodations or related services, for injuries, damages, or loss associated with such activities, I agree any and all disputes arising out of or in connection with these activities will be subject to mandatory arbitration before a single arbitrator appointed by a judge of the superior court in the county of Maricopa, Arizona, under the Arizona code of civil procedure, and procedures for the appointment and conduct of arbitrations of civil disputes, waiving the right of any appeal from the decision of the appointed arbitrator except in the case of fraud or willful nondisclosure of any actual bias or prejudice towards any party, and that all costs, attorneys' fees, or other fees related to the arbitration shall be recoverable by the prevailing party as defined by the arbitrator in any such matter submitted for determination. I hereby expressly waive my right to any other claim, lawsuit, or action for civil or other damages arising out of or in connection with the activities described herein.