

Whales 2013

March 14 - 17, 2013

Baja Bush Pilots International

480 730 3250

www.bajabushpilots.com



Join the Baja Bush Pilots on their annual "Pet a Whale" adventure. Four days of fun, excitement, whale petting, and.... we will be using the Hotel La Mision and the Hotel Oasis in Loreto.



Every year, almost everyone gets a chance to see, touch, feel, pet, and perhaps, even kiss a whale. The BBP will be there and so will the Whales....

And for those that are looking for more, Loreto is the place to be as there you can go fishing, walk a beach, rent a car (or a quad), shop Market Street, ride a horse, do a round of golf, get a massage, and a lot more. And if you wanted to really reach out, you could take the ½ day trip up to Mission San Javier high in the hills just west of Loreto. And then there are the water sports i.e. scuba diving, snorkeling, kayaking, a boat tour around island Carmen.... or take a dip in the Mision's pool just steps from your room.



We have made several changes this year.... In your ticket book, there will be coupons for two-for-one drinks, transportation, breakfast, whale watching, etc. however, this year, included in your package is lunch at the whale camp on the Pacific side. Rooms will be assigned in the order that trip registrations are received. As in the past, we are using

several hotels, this year the first hotel is the Hotel La Mision located downtown and the second is the Hotel Oasis located about four blocks south of the Mision.

Regarding the whale petting experience, as we cannot send everyone over to the camp on the same day, one half go over on Friday and the other half goes over on Saturday. This gives all a lot of time to "explore Loreto".

This is how it works.

Thursday, March 14

Arrive Loreto International where, as last year, the BBP will be there to take care of (almost) every arrival step including parking, fuel, entrance papers, customs, immigration, transportation as well as handle your payment for most fees. Again, we have had our meetings with all the authorities at the airport and the goal is to get you through the whole check-in process in less than seven minutes.

And, as in the past, all radio communication with Loreto Tower will be by using your “Baja Number” i.e. Loreto Tower, Baja 12 is ready to taxi. (sign up early to get a low number and a premium ocean-view room at La Mision)

Your arrival day is wide open and could be a time to look through your packet, make plans for the following day, take a dip in the pool, make the short five minute walk to “market street”, and dinner that night will be quick and easy, more about that later....



Meeting with airport officials

Friday, March 15.

Breakfast will be buffet at the hotel followed by those petting whales that day to go out to the airport where your flight plans have already been filed and you are ready to depart. Those going to Whales on Saturday will have all day to do the “Loreto Thing” Friday evening is open, you are free to have dinner at one of the many BBP referred restaurants, most that are a short several block walk from the hotel.

Saturday, March 16

Again, breakfast will be at the hotel and those scheduled for “Saturday” whales will do the airport “fly to the whale camp” thing with those that did Whales on Friday doing the “explore Loreto thing”.

That evening, we will have our Saturday night party with food, drawings, prizes, slides, music, dancing, and lots more.



Standard Room at La Mision Hotel

Sunday, March 17

Sunday is departure day for most. As in the past, most will head home and some will spend more time in Loreto, head south, or head to Mainland Mexico.

Four days, three nights of fun, flying, storytelling, whale petting, food, drink, and more....

Your package will include your room for three nights, all your breakfasts, dinner Thursday night, the Saturday night party, your whale petting trip and a whole bunch of fun, margaritas, beer and sodas.

And for you “first time border crossers”, give us a call or send us an email, we are here to help!

Whales 2013, a chance for all to make new and /or renew old friendships, head to the beach for a day, lay out by the pool, pet a whale, drive over to Loreto Bay, make a trip up to Mission San Javier, or do nothing at all.



By the Numbers:

Thursday:

Handling by the BBP at the airport, transportation to your hotel, information on where to go, what to do.

And, it is “all you can eat pizza night” at the hotel La Mision.

Friday:

Breakfast at the hotel

Transportation to airport for those that are petting whales on Friday

Lunch at the whales camp for those that are petting whales

Transportation from airport back to hotel for those that petted whales.

Saturday:

Breakfast at the hotel

Transportation to airport for those that are petting whales on Saturday

Lunch at the whales camp for those that are petting whales

Transportation from airport back to hotel for those that petted whales.

Saturday night party



And:

Three nights, four days at the Hotel Mision, (or the Oasis)

Your Whales coupon to pet a Whale.

Coupons for discounts /specials at various places in Loreto

A coupon for a discount on BBP shirts, hats, etc.

And:

A chance to visit with other pilots, make new friends, and have a lot of time to talk to many with common interests.

If you want to be part of this experience, fill out the attached form and send it in. Then start thinking about Loreto and Whales 2013.

The place, Loreto, Baja Sur, Mexico. We stay on the East side and see the whales on the West side. And the trip from the states is just a couple of easy hours in your airplane...

Want to go.... Scroll on down to the next page



Bush Pilots Intl Registration Form, Waiver & Cancellation Clause.

There is always a chance of weather of ground fog at the Lagoon. If we cannot land at the lagoon because of weather or other reasons beyond our control there is a chance that you might not be able to see whales.

Note: there will be a \$50.00 processing fee for any change once the BBP has received and processed this application. Add \$25 per person late fee charge for any application received with less than 30 days.

There cannot be any refunds for any fees for any reason. Pilot must be current BBP member; Baja trip numbers will be assigned in order of receipt of form. Itinerary is subject to change. The BBP is not responsible for any additional cost by the pilot and/or passenger(s) due to weather, mechanical problems, etc

And....

Like any long-distance travel venture with personal aircraft, there are some things we can do and others that are beyond our control. The BBP 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 some times water period.

Guarantees of your safety or security, or that of the aircraft

Perfects 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

Bush Pilots Intl Registration Form, Waiver & Cancellation Clause.

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)

Waiver of Liability and Consent and Registration Form

I intend to participate in activities sponsored by the Baja Bush Pilots Ltd. Organization (hereafter "BBP") 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 BBP 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 BBP to control. BBP 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, BBP 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 BBP, 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 BBP, 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. BBP, 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. BBP, 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.

**Bush Pilots Intl Registration Form,
Waiver & Cancellation Clause.**

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.