

# **ITINERARY**

Classic Package #3 Los Mochis-Chihuahua

#### **SOME UNIQUE FEATURES OF THIS TRIP**

- Train ride through the prime part of the Canyon at prime time of day
- Two nights in picturesque Cerocahui in Urique Canyon
- Two nights stay on the rim of Copper Canyon
- One night in the historic city of Chihuahua

\*Flexibility and a sense of adventure are the keys to having a successful tour. \*

## TOUR AVAILABLE TO START ON MONDAY, THURSDAY OR SATURDAY ON THE REGIONAL TRAIN.

#### Day 1- ARRIVE IN LOS MOCHIS - TRANSFER TO EL FUERTE

Arrive in the newest metropolis in northern Mexico, Los Mochis you will be met at the airport and transfer to the colonial town of El Fuerte. Your hotel in El Fuerte is the Posada Hidalgo-a restored sprawling hacienda of a former mayor. The El Fuerte hotel has a beautiful courtyard full of tropical vegetation, a swimming pool and is well known for its superb cuisine. They specialize in freshwater black bass and crayfish. In El Fuerte if you have time, you have the options to take a self-guided historic walk around town, go to the new Mayo Indian museum behind the hotel or take a river cruise (arrange with hotel personnel). Enjoy some time seeing this beautiful Colonial City.

Hotel: Posada del Hidalgo Meals: None

## Day 2- TRAIN JOURNEY TO BAHUICHIVO

Your 5 ½ hour train journey through the Sierra Madre Mountains takes you some of the world's most spectacular scenery. You begin at sea level and end up at 5000 ft. elevation. Stay in your seat until your ticket is punched, then you are free to roam around the train and stand out between the cars to take pictures. Be sure to have your railroad log in your packet available on the train. You are riding the world-famous Chihuahua al Pacífico Railroad. This engineering masterpiece took about 90 years to complete and 90 million dollars. The engineers had to plan for 87 tunnels and 39 bridges to complete the line. It has been called "the most dramatic train ride in the western hemisphere" by *The Reader's Digest*.

Your destination is the beautiful valley of Cerocahui. Your train stop is Bahuichivo. The hotel bus will meet you and transport you to Cerocahui. Picturesque Hotel Misión helps you feel you are "away from it all" as you relax in the restful Spanish courtyard and admire the gold dome of the nearby 1556 mission church. You have time this afternoon to wander in the churchyard or stroll through the village to the cemetery and lumberyard.

Hotel: Misión Meals: B at Hotel Pda. del Hidalgo, L & D at Hotel Mision

### Day 3 - A DAY IN CEROCAHUI - URIQUE CANYON OVERLOOK - OPTIONAL WATERFALL WALK

A world-class view awaits you today at the top of Urique Canyon. Your bus tour to this deepest canyon overlook in the system provides the most expansive photo opportunities on the trip. Free leisure time this afternoon. Stroll through the village this afternoon, visit the Indian boarding school, next door to the hotel this afternoon.

Hotel: Misión Meals: B, L, & D at Hotel Mision



#### Day 4-JOURNEY TO DIVISADERO AREA

Your destination today is the beautiful Mirador Hotel on the rim of the Copper Canyon--the most scenic location in the canyon system. The view alone from your balcony is worth the trip.

**Hotel:** Mirador on the Rim **Meals:** B at Hotel Mision, L & D at Hotel Mirador

#### Day 5 - MORNING TOUR TO DIVISADERO AND BALANCING ROCK

A 9:00am morning bus tour to scenic overlooks is included this morning. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at the Copper Canyon Adventure Park. You have the option of enjoying the cable car ride across the canyon and /or an optional zip line tour. Pay directly.

**Hotel:** Mirador on the Rim **Meals:** B, L, D at Hotel Mirador

#### Day 6 - DEPART TO CHIHUAHUA CITY

- Depart from Divisadero to Chihuahua by land with a tour to Creel and visit Mennonite camps. You will visit the
  main plaza of Creel, Arareko Lake and the mysterious rock formations of the Valley of Mushrooms followed
  by a visit to the old Jesuit Mission San Ignacio and interact with the Tarahumara natives in their cave home.
- Depart from Divisadero to Chihuahua by rail (if today falls on a Tue, Fri, Sun). After lunch, you will board the train for your trip to Chihuahua City. A taxi will be waiting for you at the train station to transport you to the hotel. Note: if you ride the train today, this morning you will take the morning tour to Divisadero and balancing rock and on Day 5 you will have a tour to Creel.

Hotel: San Francisco Quality Inn Meals: Breakfast at Hotel Mirador

#### Day 7 - DEPART CHIHUAHUA

Complimentary shuttle to airport/bus station included.

Hotel: None Meals: Breakfast at Hotel San Francisco Quality Inn

The **NET Package** is \$1155 per person per double room. \$1670pp for a single room. \$945pp triple occupancy. 14 meals as indicated in the itinerary, all lodging as mentioned, **Regional** train tickets, train station transfers, tour out of Hotel Mirador, Day Tour to Creel and tour out of Hotel Mision.

It **does not** include meals not specified in the itinerary, optional tours as listed in the itinerary, plane fare, airfare, tips (the personnel live by tips along this route), and trip insurance.

#### **Hotel websites:**

www.santaanitahotel.com www.hotelmision.com www.hotelposadadelhidalgo.com www.hotelesbalderrama.com http://qualityinnchihuahua.com