

Mazatlan: Just the Facts

- * Mazatlan was founded in 1531; the city is a wonderfully diverse mixture of Old and New Mexico.
- * Mazatlan is thought to be one of the most picturesque cities along the Mexican Riviera.
- * Mexico's National Trust Fund for Tourism Development (FONATUR) has designated Mazatlan as a major port in the Escalera Nautica (Nautical Ladder) program.
- * The Malecón (Seaside Walkway) is 14 miles long - the longest in Mexico. The Malecón is an area to visit for a glimpse of fearless clavadistas who entertain by diving into the rock strewn ocean from a high platform.
- * Cerro del Creston (El Faro) - The Lighthouse is said to be the second highest natural lighthouse in the world. The summit provides an incredible view of the entire Mazatlan area.
- * Mazatlan features fine ocean-side restaurants, hotels, theaters, an opera house and famous night spots.
- * Mazatlan is known for its world-class bird hunting, saltwater (Marlin) and freshwater (Bass) fishing.
- * For a true flavor of Mexico, bullfights can be seen every Sunday and most holidays, December through April.
- * Both the United States and Canada have consulates in Mazatlan.
- * American Express and the Red Cross have locations in Mazatlan.
- * Healthcare is readily available to visitors, and both the Sharp Hospital and Balboa Clinic accept most U.S.-issued insurance policies.