



SNORKEL & WHALE SHARK ADVENTURE

Nov. 4 - 8, 2019 – 5 Day Expedition
La Paz, Baja California Sur, Mexico

Trip Highlights:

- Join us onboard the 110' motor yacht, the MV Adventure, as we take you on a whale shark and snorkel adventure, in search of some of the rarest and most spectacular marine life in the area.
- This stunning Galapagos style setting is an amazing environment for snorkeling, kayaking, and beach hiking. It is an ideal backdrop for a true wilderness adventure.
- Our goal is to introduce you to a part of the Sea of Cortez few people have ever experienced.
- The expedition reconnects guests with nature in a very meaningful way, leaving memories of a lifetime. Guests often return to continue a journey they didn't realize they started!
- Experience a blend of adventure travel, education and cultural interaction while exploring the natural history of the marine environment. An unforgettable journey of discovery!

Natural History:

- The Sea of Cortez is one of the most bio-diverse seas on earth. It is home to thousands of species of marine mammals, reptiles, birds, fish and invertebrates.
- The areas we will be snorkeling offer different environments to explore:- caves, rocky outcrops, sandy bottoms and reefs.
- The wild life; juvenile whale sharks have arrived to begin their annual feeding migration, female sea turtles have arrived to lay their clutches of eggs, mobula rays can be found feeding in large schools and sea lions await your arrival to get into the water and play.
- The Sea of Cortez offers world class snorkeling in crystal clear waters.
- Rich in natural history, unspoiled in beauty, unrivalled in marine life, the Sea of Cortez is a world of a different time, place and rhythm.



The Ship, the MV Adventure:

- The "MV Adventure" is a 110' aluminum hull ship.
- As a certified passenger vessel, the crew, vessel paperwork, safety and navigation equipment all meet the legal requirements under the "Nacional de Seguridad Maritima" laws.
- Multiple level decks are ideal for wildlife viewing.
- Accommodations are private staterooms with single berths (upper/lower), double/quad occupancy.
- Each stateroom comes complete with air conditioning, cupboards and drawers to un-pack in, sink/vanity and comfortable spacious bunks.
- Shared restrooms and showers are separate to the staterooms.
- The Captain, engineer and crew are onboard to insure the safety and well-being of the group. They bring many years of marine experience offering the warmth and kindness that reflects the people of Baja, Mexico.

Climate:

- Weather in the Baja is warm and beautiful.
- During the month of November, daytime temperatures range from 26-32 C (79-90f). A t-shirt and shorts are usually all you need. The evenings cool down and may require light pants and a jacket.
- Water temperatures range from 24-30 C (78-86f).

Itinerary:

Day 1 (Nov. 4): Arrival

- Our drivers will pick you up at the Cabo (SJD) or La Paz (LAP) airport and transfer you to the ship in La Paz. Anticipate a *beautiful* 2.5 hour drive from the Cabo Airport.
- Once guests have boarded the ship we will depart for the islands.

Day 2 - 4: At Sea

- Today we begin our adventure at sea. Areas to be explored include; Isla Espiritu Santos, Isla Partida, Isla San Francisco, Isla San Jose and Isla Pardito.
- Each day offers at least two snorkel opportunities plus noting nesting sites of the various species of sea turtles. We will also check off the list of activities mentioned below.

Day 5 (Nov. 8): Departure

- Disembark at 9:00 am, our drivers will return you to the Cabo or La Paz Airport for your return flight home.

Planned Activities:

- Snorkeling
- Kayaking
- Beachcombing
- Nightlight
- Cultural interaction – visits to remote island communities.
- Wildlife Encounters
 - Whale sharks (permit allowing)
 - dolphins
 - sea lions
 - sea turtles
 - birds
 - undersea life
 - desert island flora / fauna





Expedition Includes:

- Airport transfers while in Mexico (expedition dates)
- 5 days / 4 nights onboard the MV Adventure
- Ship amenities (meals, alcohol / non-alcohol beverages, accommodations, snorkel gear, kayaks and ships library)
- National Park fees
- All-inclusive!

Expedition DOES NOT Include:

- Airfare
- Medical / Travel Cancellation / Trip Interruption Insurance
- Crew gratuities
- Items of a personal nature

Expedition Cost:

- **\$1695.00** USD per person
- group size 16 participants

Panterra Facebook Photo Album links to past expeditions:

[Snorkel Expedition 2017](#)

[Whale Shark Adventure and Research 2016](#)

[Journey to the Sea of Cortez and Whale Sharks 2015](#)

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