



YUCATÁN

SUN & BEACH



#TheColorsOfYucatan

SUMMER ALL YEAR LONG

If you are thinking of incredible holidays on the beach, with a spectacular weather, beautiful sunsets, and unforgettable moments, you must come to Yucatán.

There are **more than 230 miles of coast in the regions of the Yucatan Riviera and Mayan Port.** The Yucatecan coasts are **bathed by the Gulf of Mexico** and receive currents from the Caribbean Sea, that is why the color of its waters are emerald green and it is the most beautiful sea of the Gulf of Mexico.

Here you will get more than just a simple tan, there are tourist nautical activities and companies that offer services specialized in sport fishing, kayak, windsurf, kitesurf, yacht rides and diving among many others. For extreme thrill, you may try one of the new attractions, like the flyboard and jet ski rental at *Progreso beach*, paddleboard at *“El Corchito”* or *Chuburná* reserves, just to mention some examples.





With the wind behind

Yucatán Riviera and Mayan Port coast have been consolidated as resting regions and a great landscape for practicing water sports. Thanks to the gentle waves and shallow waters, Yucatán climate is ideal all year long and is always ready to receive professionals and amateurs from different marine disciplines.

Nautical infrastructure is prepared with more than 20 marinas for boats and yachts, guides specialized in nautical services, schools for equipment rental, a marina with a hotel at *Telchac* and soon, a marina with apartments at *Yucalpetén*.

Every year, thousands of travelers arrive in Yucatán on a cruise, disembarking at the Progreso deep sea Port, which has one of the longest docks in the world (4.35 miles long). Due to its location, it is possible to make interesting excursions or perform activities within and starting from the Yucatán Riviera:

- ① Discover ancient Mayan cities like *Chichén Itzá*, *Uxmal*, *Dzibilchaltún* or *Xcambó*.
- ② Visit Mérida, white city and capital city of the State, with a lot of culinary and cultural options.



Fresh Ceviche

- ③ Explore *Progreso* and its surroundings riding an ATV, or in a kayak.
- ④ Enjoy sport fishing.
- ⑤ Find out and swim in a cenote, they are unique to the region.
- ⑥ Rest in a beach club
- ⑦ Walk around the international boardwalk and eat traditional dishes.

Currently, different events related to water activities take place in the region, such as the “*Festival de la Veda*” (Veda Festival) celebrated in February and March, the Kitesurf Festival at *El Cuyo*, Sailboat Regattas from June to September, and diverse fishing tournaments, among other national and international events.

On vacation seasons, it is customary that Yucatán inhabitants use their summer homes, moving their life completely to the coast, with parties, bars, restaurants, and beach activities. This custom has been expanded to visitors from other states and international tourists; **many foreigners have adopted Yucatecan beaches as their second home** during winter seasons, when low temperatures are common in their countries.

Emerald coast

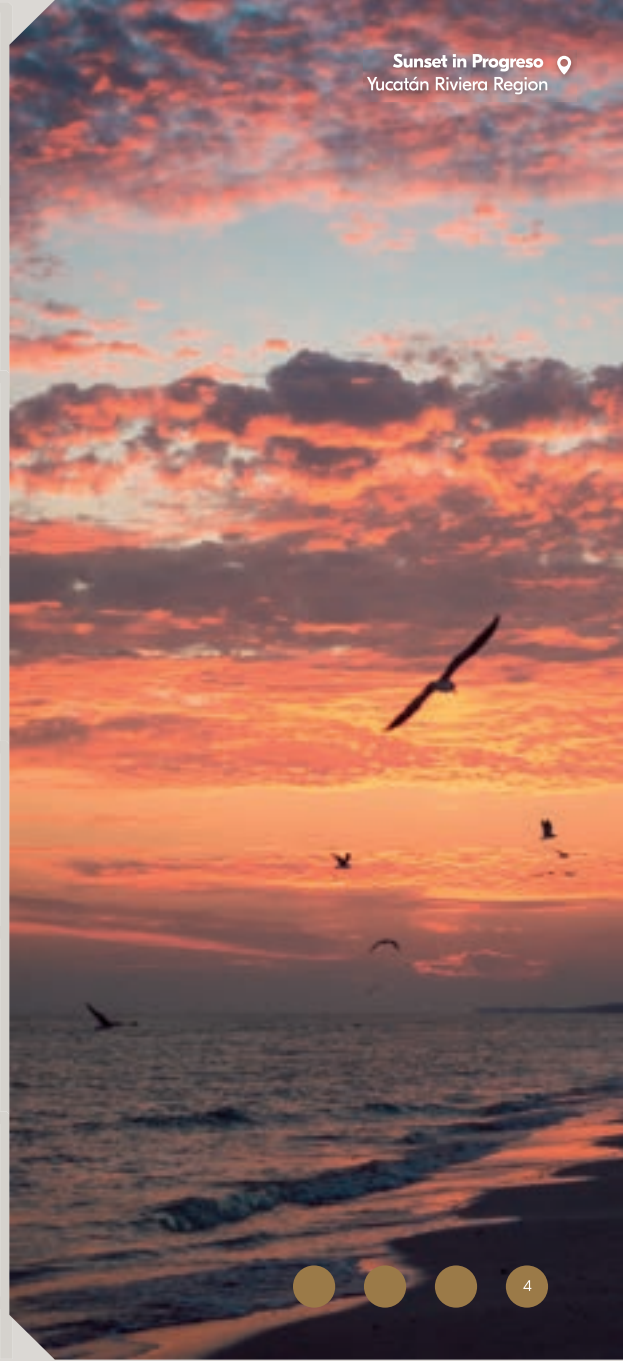
Located only 20 minutes away from Mérida, you can find the main gate to different places of the Yucatecan coast; for example, it is usual for locals to visit Progreso any day of the week, to enjoy a fresh ceviche in a restaurant located at the boardwalk, in front of the sea.

The coastal area of Yucatán has different beaches, but all of them offer a relaxing environment between soft white sand and fresh waters of different colors, where the emerald green prevails; with a warm weather and fresh wind, surrounded by marvelous ecosystems where you will live unforgettable moments performing ecotourism and adventure activities.

Some of the most famous Yucatecan beaches are: Progreso, Celestún, El Palmar, Sisal, Chelem, Chuburná Port, Yucalpetén, Chicxulub, Uaymitún, Telchac Port, San Crisanto, Santa Clara, Dzilam de Bravo, San Felipe, and El Cuyo.

Natural landscapes from the Mayan World

Yucatán offers magnificent natural landscapes and a comfortable stay with all services needed to feel as in home, that is why, we recommend these beautiful beaches you will find along the coast.



YUCATÁN RIVIERA



Celestún

Located approximately 55.9 miles away from the city of Mérida. Ecotourism and fishing are the main activities of the place, you will find a great variety of fish for catching like sea bass, bass, horse mackerel, grouper, mullet, and bream. Nothing better than riding along the estuary that takes you to a spectacular gathering with the sea and the birds, which by the way, is one of the main places in Yucatán to watch the beautiful flamingos. It has a **beach of an unparalleled beauty and an exquisite variety of sea food**; all the latter makes the perfect excuse to stay more than just one day in Celestún.



Sisal

It was the first port founded in the colonial times when the sisal, known as the “green gold”, had its boom. The newly appointed **Magic Town** is located approximately 34 miles away from Mérida. It is considered the entrance gate to the state reserve El Palmar. The traditional boardwalk, its beaches with crystal-clear waters, the great biodiversity and its colonial architecture are some of the characteristics that make it one of the most visited places in Yucatán.



■ Approximately

230 miles of coasts

and a summer-like weather all year long that invites you to have a good time, practice water sports and many other activities.



YUCATÁN
REGIONS

Yucatán Riviera

Mérida, Southern Cultural
and Culinary Capital City

Cenotes & Haciendas

Puuc Route &
Mayan Villages

Mayan World Capital

Mayan Port

ICONOGRAPHY



Mérida



Valladolid



Izamal



Sisal



Mani



Chichén Itzá



Uxmal



Arqueological sites



Haciendas



Cenotes



Cave



Biosphere Reserve



Bird Sanctuary



Beach



Airport



Cruise Port



Approximately
300 windy days per year
to practice kitesurf

HIGHWAYS AND URBAN AREAS



Urban Areas



Federal Highway (Toll)



Federal Freeway

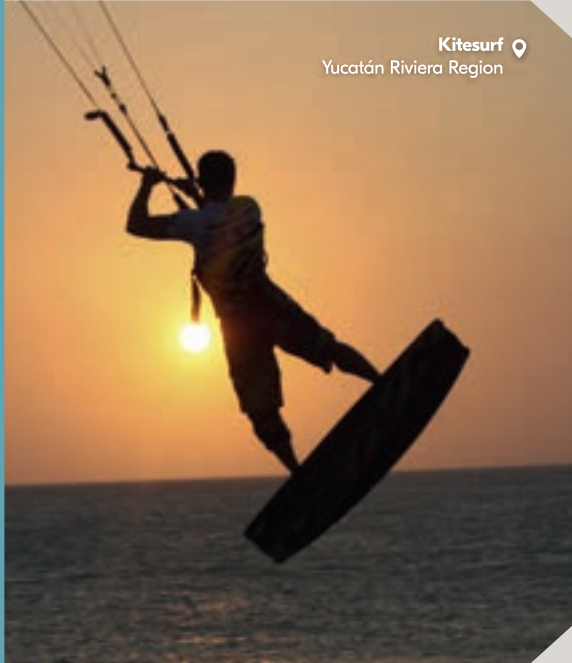


State Freeway




Unpaved road

Kitesurf 
Yucatán Riviera Region



Progreso

Walk around with the family at the international boardwalk in Progreso, it is around **1.24 miles long with art spaces, restaurants, and areas for exercising and for enjoying the sea breeze.** There, you will find an impressive Official Pier and Deep-Sea Port that is 4 miles (7,5 km) long into the sea, place of commercial exchange with the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean Sea; currently **it is the place where numerous tourist cruises arrive from all over the world,** and the ideal place to practicing several water sports like: kitesurf, windsurf or kayak. It is located 22.3 miles north of Mérida.

 Arrecife Alacranes National Park



Arrecife Alacranes

It represents the **biggest coral structure in the Gulf of Mexico and the only reef in Yucatán.** It is formed by five islands: *Blanca, Chica, de los Muertos, Desterrada, and Pérez.* The latter is the only one that can be visited by tourists, only 111 people a day are allowed and the trip in boat from Progreso Port is 5 hours approximately. There are no services of any kind, it is **a marine paradise where controlled fishing and diving are a real delight.**



Dzilam de Bravo

Apart from the natural beauty and lovely beaches, it is a **historic port** because Spaniards led by Francisco de Montejo landed there to start the Yucatán Peninsula conquest; besides, there always have been generous fish catching here due to the water mouths located nearby. This fishermen town is organized to offer **ecotourism tours in boat to different attractions, such as Las Bocas and Punta Arenas.**



MAYAN PORT



El Cuyo

Considered the **hidden treasure of the Yucatecan coast**, you will arrive in about 3 hours from Mérida. It is the last beach on the Gulf of Mexico. Apart from resting and eating delicious dishes, you can perform any of the most demanded activities at El Cuyo: kitesurf, paddleboard, or kayak. It is recommended to tour around the coast accompanied by locals to fish the dinner and prepare it in any of the establishments located in the area.



San Felipe

Fishing town that **keeps present their customs and traditions**, their **homes are still made of wood and are decorated with joyful colors and shades** that call the attention of everyone visiting the place. Fishing allis shad is one of the main attractions.



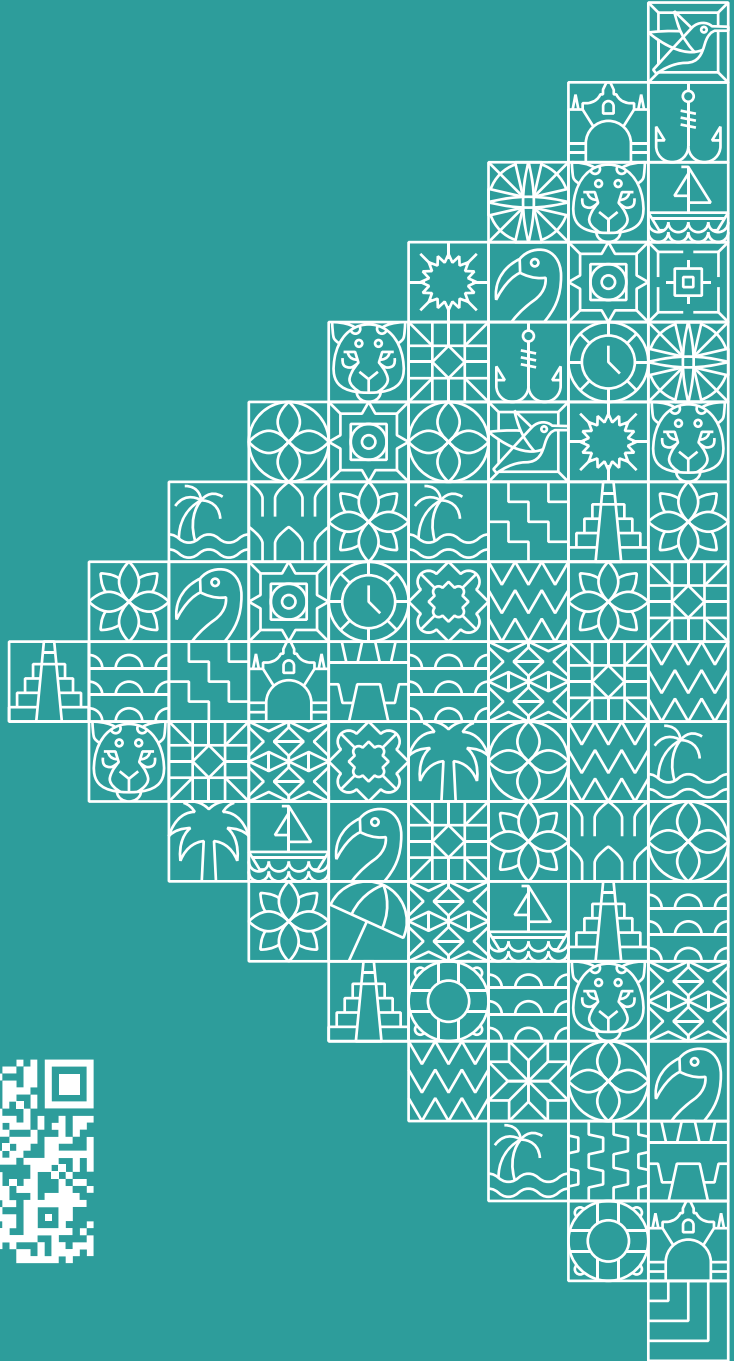
Río Lagartos

It is a town with beautiful beaches and springs. This place is a wild fauna shelter, as it is home to a great number of plants and animals. It is a **wide mangrove area, found within the Ria Lagartos Biosphere Reserve, a paradise for the pink flamingo**. You will find services related to fishing, bird watching, delicious cuisine, and many more.





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