

## ROUNDTRIP IN MEXICO: CIUDADES VIRREINALES UNESCO World Heritage Cities 12 days/11 nights

Our roundtrip will show you the colonial past of Mexico with its architecture and gastronomy. For centuries, from 1521 to 1810, the Spanish crown ruled the territory that is now Mexico and was called the **Viceroyalty of New Spain**. In this span of time, the conquerors founded new cities and remodeled the ones that already existed, giving them their own identity.

On this trip, we will show you the beauty of cities like Mexico City where you will see the colonial influence in its historic centre. Our next vice royal city is **Querétaro**, declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1996. Then we visit **San Miguel de Allende**, UNESCO Site since 2008. Its well-preserved historic center is filled with buildings from the 17th and 18th centuries that explains the town's history and role in the Mexican War of Independence. **Dolores Hidalao** is a Pueblo Magico since 2002 and it's famous because of the first cry for the independence of Mexico uttered by Father Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla. Next destination is **Guanajuato**, a mining center since long before the Spaniards arrived. Supported by the conquistadores became in the 18<sup>th</sup> Century one of the richest cities, and most opulent in New Spain. **Zacatecas** is a true colonial Paradise in Mexico. The whole city seems to be taken from an old film with its cobblestone streets and old buildings in impeccable condition. Guadalajara was founded in 1542 by a basque conquistador as capital of Nueva Galicia. During the Mexican war of independence, the city was the first revolutionary government in 1810. Finally, **Morelia** will bring you to the past a few centuries back in time when you walk around the Plaza Melchor Ocampo, Plaza San Francisco, the Town Hall building and the Morelia Aqueduct. After this roundtrip around the vice royal colonial cities in Mexico, you will get back home knowing much more about the country, its traditions, its people, its history, and its food. Come with us and live your adventure in Colonial Mexico!

## **DEPARTURES 2025**

from March through November on private basis Ask for our guaranteed departures

