

BAJA CALIFORNIA SPEARFISHING - MEXICO



Baja, the earth's second-longest peninsula, offers over 1200km of the mystical, ethereal, majestic and untamed coast. Those lucky enough to make the full Tijuana to Los Cabos trip will find that the Carretera Transpeninsular (Hwy 1) offers stunning vistas at every turn. The middle of nowhere is more beautiful than you ever imagined, and people are friendly, relaxed and helpful, even in the border towns. Side roads pass through tiny villages and wind drunkenly along the sides of mountains. Condors carve circles into an unblemished blue sky.

Some people simply sip drinks, eat fish tacos and watch the sun disappear into the Pacific. Some choose to feel the rush of adrenaline as they surf that perfect wave. Others walk through sherbet-colored canyons or stare up at the night's canopy of scattered-diamond stars. Whichever way you choose to take it, you'll discover some of Baja's many joys.

If we are talking about spearfishing, with our 20 years of experience, several world records, and dedication to customer service, Baja knows how to put you on the fish with the best organization possible!

Advanced or beginner friendly trips, fully equipped live aboard or beachside accommodations with AC and internet, on-site restaurant and bar with 3 delicious meals a day, safe sturdy boats with shade, lunch, drinks, friendly & fishy captains and our guidance, focused on your success and your trophy fish! That's a few of the things Baja has to offer to you!

TARGET SPECIES



Our waters offer the chance to catch Mahi Mahi, Yellowfin Tuna, Yellowtail, big Broomtail, Leopard & Golf Groupers, Wahoo, big Amberjack, massive Cubera Snapper, Striped, Blue & Black Marlin, Sail Fish and more...

The best way to explore and catch big fish in Baja is to combine a few days in the Sea of Cortez and then move to the Pacific side, no matter if it's land based or in our liveaboard trips. We offer you the best combination to target and land the most iconic fish this waters has to offer, all with the best accommodations, boats & crew.

While in the sea of Cortez, our main targets will be big Pargo Cubera Snapper, big Amberjack, Roosters, Golf Groupers, Wahoo's, Yellowtail Kingfish & Marlin.

In the Pacific side, it doesn't matter if you are doing a land based trip from our Glamping lodge or if you are in our liveaboard trip, we will target Golf, Broomtail and Leopard Groupers (all of them in massive numbers here), Yellowtail Kingfish, Pargo Cubera Snapper, Mahi Mahi, Wahoo's, Marlin (also in very big numbers in the high season), Jack Crevalle, Amberjack, Sheephead, Roosterfish, Giant Clams, Yellowfin Tuna, Permit, Colorado & Rock Snapper, and much more! This coast has an unlimited amount of life and you will be amazed by the life that inhabits it.

ACCOMODATION



You'll know you've reached your destination when you see the luxury tents in the middle of the desert overlooking the Sea of Cortez and Cerralvo Island. Our beautifully Glamping tends are strategically set amongst native Baja desert plants, including barrel cactus, cardon, elephant trees, palo adan, candelillo, cholla, mesquite, palo verde, and pitaya agria. Each tend is a stand-alone unit and has comfortable beds, outside shower, swimming pool, restaurant and bar service, all runned by our local staff. Join us for a personalized holiday on the Sea of Cortez and take advantage of the natural wonders in our front yard.

The Restaurant offers the finest Mexican & International cuisine. Besides a moderate sized dining room and large patio, we have a bar, internet café and swimming pool where you can enjoy a cold beer. We serve breakfast, lunch and dinner to our guests and we are open to the public 24/7. Enjoy fresh squeezed orange juice or a coffee from our espresso bar all day or cool down with a variety of cold beers, wine or a variety of flavoured margaritas. Our Internet Café offers accessible Wi-Fi everywhere, desktop computers, plugin and wireless laptop stations, and long distance phone service, and the pool is open daily from 10am to 9pm for our guests.

In the Pacific side we have different options for you, but our Glamping tents in Mag Bay are truly an amazing place to stay. Clean, with amazings views and surrounded with only natural landscapes, with all transfers and all of our homemade and delicious freshly served food, beers, soft drinks... relax and enjoy the best of Baja, we run the best operation in the zone.

If you have chosen the liveaboard trip, don't matter if it's in the Sea of Cortez or in the Pacific Coast, a 46 foot luxury Catamaran with great food, experienced crew and guide, the best boats for spearfishing, all the gear you can imagine (for fishing, SUP boards, kayak, etc...), will be your home for the length of the trip. This is the upgraded version of our spearfishing trips for those who want more luxury and don't mind spending a little bit more.

We can do everything you like, just ask for it!

BOAT



The boats are traditional pangas, not fancy but fast, and they do the work nice. Specially designed for these waters and in the right hands of our crew, they are the perfect way to chase big fish around the Sea of Cortez and the Pacific Ocean. We offer all meals and drinks aboard, and all boats are equipped with all electronics and safety requirements.

We can not have big boats there because there is no harbour, and the boys will put them in and out from the beach every day. You don't have to worry! Just jump into the boat every morning and enjoy the best spearfishing experience!

After the day at the sea, we'll fillet and freeze your fish while you enjoy a beer or a margarita.

If you choose for a liveaboard trip, our mothership is a 46 luxury Catamaran, fully equipped with all commodities you will need, and perfect to reach the best fishing spots and sleep there. Don't worry, everything will be clean and ready for you at any moment.

SURROUNDINGS



A treasure trove of shallow azure inlets and sorbet-pink cliffs, Espiritu Santo is one of La Paz's gems. It's part of a Unesco World Heritage site comprising 244 Sea of Cortez islands and coastal areas, and is a worthy day trip. A number of operators run activities here, including kayaking and snorkelling.

Baja's wine country is an intoxicating blend of luxury lodging, wine tasting and fine dining with dirt roads, cacti amid the grapevines and a very laid-back attitude. It's actually one of the oldest wine-producing regions in the Americas, now with over 60 wineries, and it attracts a very hip crowd of 20- to 40-somethings looking to relax and indulge in the finer things on a relatively low budget. Once people began whispering that this is the next Napa, the word spread further afield and the wines are gaining attention internationally.

Cabo Pulmo, a tiny village and a 17,571-acre Marine Protected Area (MPA), is one of the most successful national marine parks in the world and arguably offers the best diving and snorkelling in Baja. It's also home to the only Pacific coral reef in the Sea of Cortez. You don't need a 4WD to enjoy the drive out here along the spectacular Eastern Cape (from the south) coastal road or through the Sierra de la Laguna (to the west), although the road can get rough at times. You will escape the crowds and find a very mellow scene that can be hard to leave.

With a quirky mix of locals, fishers, surfers and New Age spiritualists, the town of "Todos Santos" has thus far escaped the rampant tourism of the other cape towns. With its charming cobblestone streets lined with art galleries, romantic restaurants and a cactus or three, it's also, by far, the prettiest town in the far south of Baja. Long beaches and wild surf breaks mean there's a lot to do for those who want to get out of town as well. Think Taos, New Mexico, before Ansel Adams and Georgia O'Keeffe brought the world there. Be prepared for high prices, however.

Land's End is the most impressive attraction in Cabo. Hop on a panga (skiff), kayak or stand-up paddle board (SUP) and head to El Arco (the Arch), a jagged natural feature that partially fills with the tide. Pelicans, sea lions, sea, sky, this is what brought people to Cabo in the first place, and it's still magical, despite the backdrop of cruise ships.

OTHER ACTIVITIES



While in La Paz and La Ventana, there are many things that you can do beside spearfishing. Windsurfing and Kite boarding, Kayaking, Snorkeling, Scuba Diving (with instruction available), Stand Up Paddle, Surfing, Sportfishing, Kayaking, Spanish or cooking lessons, tours to La Paz / Todos Santos / San Antonio and El Triunfo / Mira Flores, Santiago and Santa Rita Springs, Boat Sailing, Bird Watching, Hiking, hit the beach, exploring & relax with a margarita, its all this enough?

Loreto it's also a good town to visit, it feels like somewhere between an old and new world. Linger along cobblestone streets, past shops selling pottery and a centuries-old mission to find local teenagers practising a hip-hop act in the square. Perhaps sit at an outdoor cafe to try some local craft beer or stroll along the malécon (beach promenade) where an old man hobbles along with a cane and young women jog by in the latest workout gear. Out in that blue water is a water-sports paradise and the magnificent Parque Nacional Bahía de Loreto, where the shoreline, ocean and stunning offshore islands are protected from pollution and uncontrolled fishing.

From our Pacific side Lodge, whale watching and Sea Lion sighting are available, beside Giant Clam harvesting, Turtle & Birdwatching, hiking, Snorkeling. You will not get bored. This coast it's among the wildest and remote places on earth. nature it's strong here, and you will feel the inmenity of the nearby ocean at any given moment.

USEFUL INFORMATION



The climate in the Baja area is dry and desert-like. We receive Rainfall in August through October. Palapas Ventana offers great weather for year round vacationing. The busiest season is definitely around Christmas and New Year as there are major holiday destinations all along the coast. On the other hand, the summer months are way less crowded and the prices at their lowest. Also, hurricanes are much rarer on the Pacific coast than in the Caribbean area, so not too much to worry about.

Our Camp in la Ventana is located 45 minutes from the La Paz (LAP) International Airport serviced by Delta, Alaska, American Air, America West, Frontier, Aeromexico, United, and Continental. A transfer service it's included in the tript. San Jose del Cabo (SJD) services many international airlines and is 2.5 hours from La Ventana. The Pacific side camp it's 3 hours away from the first location, and we take you from one side to the other along with us, and everything will be set up for you.

One of the secret street treats in Mexico is something so simple that many people overlook it even when it's right in front of their nose: the "waters" of watermelon, cantaloupe, hibiscus, pineapple, limonada, and so on that are often sold by ladling the liquid into a plastic bag, popping in a straw, twisting it quickly and sealing it with a rubber band. The original "juice box," if you will. We've all seen street vendors (or smelled those mouthwatering aromas that come from their cart!) but it can take some guts to actually stop and order something. Sometimes we're too focused on the destination ahead to appreciate what's right outside our door. Other times we wonder if it's safe, if the food will be tasty, or if the aroma oversells the flavour. The trick is to know what you're looking for and to get food where the locals do.

Tourist areas are outside of the zones of most concern when referring to crime and drug dealing, and the destinations that draw tourists have adequate medical facilities. This destination it's secure and with any special or important risk at all. We've never had any problems.

Nationals of 65 countries and jurisdictions shown on the map holding normal passports do not require a visa to enter Mexico as tourists, visitors in transit or business visitors. All together so easy, no visas needed, no vaccines...

WHAT TO BRING



- All your spearfishing gear, like big and powerful bluewater spearguns rigged with slip tips or very strong shafts, floatlines, floats, shorter spearguns with reel & flashers.
- All your normal spearfishing gear, like belt, fins, mask, knife, mesh bag, etc...
- 1,5 to 3,5mm wetsuit depending on the season!
- Gear replacement (specially shafts), because you will lose some, for sure!
- All your boat apparel
- Your beach clothes, hat, sunscreen, glasses, etc
- Electric adapter (American plug at 110 V 60 HZ)
- Some warmer clothes for the night
- Passport with more than 6 months of validity
- Camera
- Cash in € or USD
- Visa or MasterCard

MEDIA & GUIDING



As a Professional Freelance Audiovisual Producer & Fishing / Spearfishing Guide, my job is to promote the best trips around the world, operated by the best companies I work with, always offering the best quality and compromise. I will, simply, bring you the best destinations, personally known, that offer you all the guarantees and adapts to your necessities. If you are a group, great! If you are alone, don't worry, I will find more people to join you! Whatever you want, from hardcore fishing to family holiday, I will provide Expert Coaching, advices & knowledge in the field, to make you catch that "one in a life-time" fish, that sometimes can be so elusive and challenging.

I know where & when to find them, and how to get you on them!

I'm also a professional cinematographer & photographer, and I will be capturing footage of your experience so you can have high quality content of memories that will last a lifetime. My gear allows me to film from the sky, underwater and outside, with the best quality, so forget about the videos & photos, I will be there to capture every moment while in the water.

WHAT'S INCLUDED & WHAT'S NOT



Included

- All accommodations
- The spearfishing day's you have chosen in fully equipped panga boats with our crew aboard, and all meals & drinks included aboard
- Assistance, guiding & media
- Breakfast, lunch & dinner every day, with all soft drinks included
- All transfers to and from the airport and from and to both sides of Baja
- Basic spearfishing gear (weights, floatlines and floats)
- Filet and freezer services for fish

Not included

- Alcoholic beverages
- Fishing licence (about \$25USD)
- Flights
- Day trips (available upon request)
- Other spearfishing gear (renting available upon request)
- Other meals not included in the plan
- Tips