



Baja California, Mexico



SEE Turtles partners with tour companies to personally connect you to wildlife for an unforgettable and inspiring adventure. Join us and you will directly support community-based conservation of critically endangered sea turtles in Baja California Sur, Mexico. SEE Turtles trips provide a key source of alternative income in local economies to offset poaching and generate funds that expand conservation efforts. This trip is led by Journey Mexico, one of Mexico's finest tour operators.

Prices from \$1,100 land, depending on activities and accommodations.

DAY ONE – Arrive in La Paz

Arriving in the beautiful seaside town of La Paz, we will be transferred to our hotel. Depending on your arrival time, we may find time to explore the charming town of La Paz. Bienvenidos a Baja California!

DAY TWO – Isla Espiritu Santo

Today will be spent exploring the Isla Espiritu Santo. We will board speedy *pangas* (converted fishing skiffs) with shade canopies and navigate the rich waters of the Sea. We will snorkel with sea lions, look for whales, dolphins, rays and more and enjoy a picnic lunch on one of the island's secluded beaches. Return to La Paz in the afternoon with time to rest before dinner.

DAY THREE – San Carlos Turtle Monitoring

After breakfast, we will traverse the rocky spine of the Peninsula through the jagged Sierra de la Giganta mountains to Puerto San Carlos on the Pacific Ocean. We will receive an orientation from local conservationists and head out in *pangas* across Magdalena Bay to secluded Playa Conchalito, base camp for the monitoring efforts. After lunch, climb aboard with fishermen turned conservationists to tend nets, search and capture sea turtles as part of the Grupo Tortuguero sea turtle monitoring project.



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Other Options:

- Whale watching
- Kayaking
- Bird watching
- Snorkeling
- Surfing

DAY FOUR - San Carlos Turtle Monitoring

Today we head back out to Playa Conchalito to complete the cycle of the monthly monitoring. We then re-board the *pangas* and head out on the water, navigating through mangrove channels rich with birds, sea life and various species of mangroves, arriving at Isla Magdalena. We will hike across to the Pacific Ocean. We will visit local sea lion rookeries and comb this pristine beach as we reconnect with nature.

DAY FIVE - Magdalena Bay Island Exploration

Today after a hearty breakfast, we will explore other fascinating areas of the unique ecosystems within Magdalena Bay. The lush mangroves and estuaries of Magdalena Bay are home to an amazing array of fauna and flora. We head to La Paz in the late afternoon with time to relax and freshen up before dinner.

DAY SIX– La Playa Balandra/ La Paz

Today we spend the day at one of La Paz's many beautiful white sand beaches to relax, snorkel, hike, and swim in the incredible translucent waters that ring the many secluded bays and beaches. Sea food delicacies and an ice cold drink on the edge of the water is a fine introduction to the Sea of Cortes. After lunch, we return in the afternoon to La Paz for free time to wander the streets or *malecon*, do some shopping, and mix and mingle with Baja Californians.

DAY SEVEN - Departure Day. After breakfast we will be transferred in groups to the airport, knowing that Baja's turtles are in better shape because of our visit.

SEE Turtles

The goal of SEE Turtles is to connect travelers with sea turtle conservation sites that will most benefit from the visit and provide an authentic wildlife-viewing experience. SEE Turtles does this by partnering with leading tour operators to offer unforgettable experiences that directly benefit sea turtles. SEE Turtles works with companies that have proven high quality service to organize tours and logistics, resulting in the most enjoyable experience possible.

Journey Mexico

At Journey Mexico we offer you a unique combination of remote adventure travel and cultural immersion that grew out of encounters we have had in our own personal globetrotting. With over twenty years of leading trips, teaching, paddling, hiking, and traveling, we have seen firsthand how travel transforms people's lives in incredible ways. Up-close wildlife encounters, in-depth exploration of archeological sites, visits to vibrant colorful markets and villages, travel through remote deserts, canyons and beaches, and unique, creative itineraries are all in a day's work with our expertly run company. www.journeymexico.com

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