



# Baja Kayaking Adventure

8 Days



## Day 1 | Arrival

### Get into the Mexican Groove

Today we meet our Wild Women guides and group in front of Hotel El Encanto in San Jose Del Cabo. We drive an hour to Canyon del Zorro, Santiago, where we enjoy our first taste of Mexican cuisine at a local restaurant before a short walk to take in the views of Fox Canyon and bathe under a 40-foot (12 m) waterfall.

From there, it's a 30-minute drive to Santa Rita Canyon, where we walk approximately 40 minutes to our secret campsite under the shade of an enormous fig tree. The campsite is a short walk away from a steamy natural hot spring, where we enjoy a reviving soak before (or after) a filling grilled dinner prepared over the fire.

#### Included Meals

Lunch and dinner

#### Accommodations

Camping at Santa Rita Canyon

#### Travel

1.5 hours by private taxi



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## Day 2 | Santa Rita Canyon

### Explore Natural Rock Pools

Today we have the entire morning to explore the depths of Santa Rita Canyon. We hike and climb our way up this spectacular canyon, taking full advantage of the deep pockets of freshwater rock pools that we can dip in. Following lunch, we transfer to La Paz and check into our hotel. After a refreshing shower or nap, we take a slow stroll along the sea promenade to absorb the bay views and stunning sunset, followed by dinner at a local restaurant.

#### Included Meals

Breakfast, lunch and dinner

#### Accommodations

Hotel Catedral, La Paz

#### The Hike

1.9 miles (3 km), which takes about 3 hours





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## Day 3 | Espiritu Santo Island National Park

### Swimming with Sea Lions

Today we make a beeline for the sacred Espiritu Santo Island National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with a three-hour motorboat ride. We deep dive into our island adventure with one of the trip's unmatched highlights: a face-to-face snorkeling experience with playful sea lion pups! Tonight, we camp on the beach in a protected bay on the west coast of the island. Here, we have our first kayak orientation with a two-hour paddle around the bay, followed by a feast on the beach, before retiring to our cozy tents.

#### Included Meals

Breakfast, lunch and dinner

#### Accommodations

Tent camping on Espiritu Santo Island

#### The Paddle

3.1 miles (5 km), which takes about 2 hours



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## Day 4 & 5 | Espiritu Island

### Explore by Land and Sea

Over the next two days, we explore the island on foot, and by kayaking and snorkeling the coast. This mini kayaking expedition offers countless opportunities for up close and personal wildlife sightings above and below our kayaks. Our camping sites may include Candelero, Coralito Bay or Dispensa Beach, the location of an intricate mangrove ecosystem. Our destination depends on sea conditions and Mother Nature's wind machine. The group's safety and weather always dictate our route.

#### Included Meals

Breakfast, lunch and dinner

#### Accommodations

Tent camping on Espiritu Santo Island

#### The Paddle

Approximately 6–7 miles (10–11.3 km), which takes about 3–3.5 hours



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## Day 6 | Frigate Bird Colony

### For the Birds

This morning, we slip into our kayaks for one last, precious morning paddle to a Frigate Bird colony situated in a former pearl farm. It's quite a sight to observe these sinister, thieving birds with their hooked beak and distinct forked tails cruising the thermals. After having a solid bird's eye view of the colony, we jump into a motorboat, speed back to La Paz for a 50-minute ride and check into Hotel Catedral. There is time to unwind, wash the sand and sun from our skin and/or stroll the promenade before gathering for dinner at a nearby restaurant.

#### Included Meals

Breakfast, lunch and dinner

#### Accommodations

Hotel Catedral, La Paz

#### The Paddle

4.6 miles (7.4 km), which takes about 2.5 hours





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## Day 7 | Whale Watching

### Observe Majestic Gray Whales

This morning, we have a private two-hour van shuttle to Puerto Chale, the departure site of our whale watching excursion. The anticipation of being in the presence of 49-foot (15 m), 80,000 pound (36,000 kg) whales and their calves is the finger-crossed hope of our three-hour boat ride today. Their curiosity is as great as ours, and the whales will often swim parallel to our tiny vessels for a closer look. On our return trip to La Paz, we stop for lunch and to stretch our legs. Tonight is our final dinner together and the conversation is guaranteed to be full of cherished reflections and tall tales.

#### Included Meals

Breakfast, lunch and dinner

#### Accommodations

Hotel Catedral, La Paz

#### Travel

224 miles (360 km), about 4 hours roundtrip



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## Day 8 | Departure

### Until We Meet Again

We have an early breakfast at our hotel before taking a group taxi directly to Los Cabos airport (SJD) at 8 a.m. Please do not book flights before 2 p.m. Before departure, be sure to figure out the answer to the burning question with your fellow Wild Women: Where next?

#### Included Meals

Breakfast

#### Travel

121 miles (195 km), which takes about 2.5 hours



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## Trip Details

### Know Before You Go

For all of the logistical details you'll need to know prior to departure—including the packing list, arrival and departure details and suggested tipping information, click [HERE](#).

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