

La Paz/Sea of Cortez July 1st - 10th, 2016

Join us while we explore the Sea of Cortez!

Sail through the desert. The stunning contrast of calm blue water against the arid backdrop of the Baja Peninsula seems surreal at first. Effortlessly you sail past impossibly rugged terrain. Thick forests of cardón cactus cling to the jagged slopes around you. The Sea of Cortez offers easy navigation, sand-bottom anchorages, and a protected cruising area both winter and summer. You are surrounded by deserted islands, quiet beaches, mountains, and magnificent scenery. Hiking, snorkeling, diving, whale watching, fishing, and bird-watching are almost as rewarding as sailing here.

You're certain to have plenty of company here - a sea-going escort of thriving wildlife. Visitors are mesmerized by the company of migrating whales, dolphins and majestic manta rays. Expect the raucous serenade of sea lions basking on shore. Beyond their echoes are the quiet desert world of craggy mountains and cactus forests. Sail among the uninhabited islands and well protected anchorages combining reddish-gold mountains and sapphire-blue water.

This is not a charter for folks who like to visit restaurants and clubs at night. Once we leave La Paz, we won't see much in the way of civilization. You'll be preparing and eating your meals on the boat. Shore visits are on secluded beaches with few human visitors. Water conservation on board is a must! This is a charter for folks who enjoy peace and quiet, wildlife, and relaxation on the water.

Cost per cabin is \$3500 for Tradewinds Members and \$4000 for non-members. This rate includes your cabin, flight from SFO, bus trips, arrival dinner, and hotel + breakfast on the final night. The only things not included are provisioning, which each boat's crew will do together before we leave the docks, and any sightseeing or dining out you do while we are in La Paz. These prices are based on double occupancy. Singles or couples with children who want to share a cabin will need to contact Brandy directly for individual pricing.

Plan on a long 1st day of travel, including the plane flight, bus trip, shopping, and dinner (included). We'll board the boats that night and leave the docks the following morning after the skipper's briefing. After a week of exploring, we'll return to the marina by noon and have the rest of the day to explore La Paz & find dinner in town individually, staying at a hotel (included) that night. After breakfast (included) the following morning, we'll return by bus and plane to San Francisco.

The initial deposit to reserve a cabin is \$600. The second deposit of an additional \$1300 is due by January 1, 2016. The final payment of \$1600 for members and \$2100 for non-members is due May 1, 2016. Please pay close attention to the cancellation policy below.

The Fine Print:

The price listed includes all taxes and fuel surcharges as of October 1st, 2015. If the airlines add new fuel surcharges or invent new taxes, we may have to pass these on to you. We don't expect it to get worse, but we have to warn you just in case.

Cancellation Policy: 6 months before departure, full refund. 6 months to 90 days, loss of deposits. Less than 90 days before departure, no refund.

