

CYCLE MEXICO

19 - 29 NOVEMBER 2009



- >> Explore Chichen Itza
- >> Discover Mayan culture
- >> Caribbean coastline



Mexico is known for its wealth of archaeological sites and vibrant mix of Indian, Spanish and contemporary influences. This 6 day bike ride takes place in the Yucatan Peninsula, one of the most historically and culturally important areas of Mexico. We discover the sights and sounds of rural Yucatan right off the tourist trail. There's chance to marvel at the impressive Mayan ruins at Chichen Itza, one of the New 7 Wonders of the World, as well as the colonial city of Valladolid. We finish on the shores of the Caribbean Sea.

Join us for the trip of a lifetime and raise much needed funds for the charity of your choice!



Distances are approximate and itinerary is subject to change

DAY 1: Fly London – Cancun. Transfer to Merida to overnight.

DAY 2: Optional sightseeing tour of Merida. Bike fitting and a chance to relax before starting the challenge.

DAY 3: Cycle through the Yucatan countryside away from the traffic. **81km**

DAY 4: Lots of small towns and villages today as we experience everyday rural life in Mexico. **124km**

DAY 5: Early morning visit to a monastery before continuing our cycling through jungle like scenery. **76km**

DAY 6: Tour of Chichen Itza, one of the New 7 Wonders of the World. Back on the bikes to Valladolid, a charming colonial town. **61km**

DAY 7: Almost half of today is off road cycling. A tough day, but well worth it to see Maya countryside close up. **80km**

DAY 8: Cycle to Tulum and finish the ride on the shores of the Caribbean Sea. **57km**

DAY 9: Free day to relax on the beach.

DAY 10: Transfer to Cancun airport for return flight to London.

DAY 11: Arrive London.



Registration fee - £250

Option 1 – you raise £2650 approx sponsorship (to be set by your chosen charity)

Option 2 – you pay £1285* approx. and raise as much sponsorship as possible

* Tour cost £1535 (less registration fee) based on a minimum of 30 participants

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FACTFILE

Raising Sponsorship Money - Register and receive a fundraising pack full of information and ideas. Once you set your mind to it, it's amazing what you can achieve!

Who can take part? - Anyone over 18 years old is welcome as long as you are fit and healthy enough to do the challenge.

Fitness - This ride is aimed at people of average fitness who are prepared to put in plenty of training to enable them to meet the challenge. Classic Tours will provide a set of training guidelines to help you on your way.

Kit - You will need a cycle helmet. A full packing list will be sent to you. You will have the use of 21 gear bikes in Mexico.

Support on the event - Experienced staff (tour manager, guides, medic and mechanic) will be there to provide help and encouragement whenever you need it.

Accommodation - Hotels throughout which are clean but basic. Couples should note it is not always possible to share.

Food & Drink - The food will be wholesome, tasty and plentiful. There will be snacks and water available whilst cycling.

Weather - Daytime temperatures will be 25-30°C. It will be cooler at night, about 18-20°C.

Health - Tetanus, Hepatitis A, Polio and Typhoid inoculations are suggested. Please consult your GP for professional medical advice.

Staying On - It is possible to stay on in Mexico after the challenge, subject to availability. Full details will be sent out nearer the time.



'The hardest but most amazing experience, such a sense of achievement!'
Cycle Mexico participant 2004.

Visa & Travel Insurance - A Tourist Card is required for British citizens and this is free of charge. If you are a non-British citizen please contact Classic Tours for advice. You must be insured to take part - either through a company of your choice or the Classic Tours recommended policy. You will need to provide proof of your insurance 8 weeks prior to the challenge.

What's Provided - Flights to / from Mexico, accommodation, transfers, full medical support, experienced guides, support staff, water and all meals except lunch on days 9 and 10.

What's Not Provided - Airport taxes, personal travel insurance, visa, meals not included, optional tours, gratuities and spending money.

Responsible Tourism - Classic Tours operates a responsible tourism policy and you can off set your carbon emissions on our website www.classictours.co.uk

If you have any other questions not answered here please contact Kylie.
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A-Z OF FUNDRAISING IDEAS

- A** Auction of Promises
- B** Bring and buy sale, Barbeque, Barn dance
- C** Car boot sale, Cake stall, Coffee morning
- D** Dinner dance, Disco
- E** Expert seminar, Easter egg hunt
- F** Fashion show, Fancy dress party, Football tournament
- G** Guess the weight, Game show, Golf competition
- H** Halloween ball
- I** It's a Knockout
- J** Jumble sale
- K** Karaoke evening
- L** Lunch money, Line dancing
- M** Masked ball, Music quiz, Murder mystery
- N** Non uniform day, New Year's Eve party
- O** Outward bound weekend, Odd jobs
- P** Pancake day
- Q** Quiz night
- R** Raffle, Race night
- S** Sponsored slim, swim, headshave
- T** Treasure hunt, Tombola, Teddy bears picnic
- U** University challenge, Uniform days
- V** Valentine's ball, Variety Show
- W** Wine tasting, Whist drive, Who's that baby?
- X** X-files party, Xmas party or panto
- Y** Your own lotto, Yacht race
- Z** Zany party

NEXT STEPS

1. Speak to the charity for which you'd like to raise funds.
2. Complete and sign the Registration and Medical Form and return to Classic Tours along with the registration fee or sign up online at www.classictours.co.uk
3. Classic Tours will then contact your chosen charity, confirm your place to you, send details on Cycle Mexico and set you on your way to fundraising success!

Classic Tours are the originators of worldwide charity challenges and fully bonded under ATOL number 3379. Since 1992 they have helped over 200 UK charities raise in excess of £40 million.

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