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Introduction

We are very pleased to welcome you to the 25th Annual Conference of the Australian and New Zealand Studies Association of North America, which will take place in Guadalajara, Mexico. Guadalajara is known for its tequila and mariachi. It is a very welcoming and interesting city with many possible activities and places to explore. This guide contains information to help you to familiarise with the city and enjoy your time as much as possible.



Arrival

Border Control

Passport holders who do not require a visa (to check if you need one click [here](#)) may use a visitor's permit, known as a FMM (Forma Migratoria Multiple). Air crews on international flights hand them out, and they are also available at Mexican airports, land border crossings and sea ports of entry. Do not lose your FMM, because you will need it to leave the country.

Entry Fee

Mexico charges a fee of approximately US\$22 to all tourists and business visitors. Airlines normally include it within the total airfare, so in the majority of cases, there will be no need for you to pay the fee separately.

Passport Validity

Your passport, regardless of country of origin, should be valid for a minimum period of six months, however long you intend to stay. Nevertheless, if you intend to stay for a short period of time the Immigration Officer might allow you entry even if your passport is valid for less than 6 months.

More Information

Mexico's official government websites regarding travel information are in Spanish only. However, you can find an English translation of all information you may need [here](#).

From the airport to the city

There is a taxi terminal at the airport. Taxis are licensed and safe to use. They accept cash only. You should give the person at the terminal the address you will stay at and they will tell you the fare price. You can also request an Uber ride; however, it is not recommended to use the UberPool feature, especially in the airport area. There are also options such as rental cars and an Airport Shuttle Service.

Emergencies

Emergency numbers

- ★ National Emergency Service: 911
- ★ Mexican Red Cross: 065
- ★ Fire Service: 068
- ★ Police: 060

Health Insurance

Mexico's public health service does not have agreements with any other country, and health care systems such as US Medicare are not available here. Before travelling to Mexico, you should check with your health insurance provider to make sure you are covered. If not, it is recommended to get a travel-insurance policy.

Money

Currency

First, you should be familiar with Mexican currency. The most common bills are worth 20, 50, 100, 200 and 500 pesos. The most common coins range from 1 to 10 pesos. Before spending, you should know the exchange rate. At the time of making this guide, one USD was equivalent to 18.58 Mexican Pesos. Dollars and other currencies are not typically accepted in Guadalajara, so it is recommended that you exchange your currency before arrival.

Weather

The weather in Guadalajara is usually unpredictable. In the morning and at night it can get fairly cold. However, you should be prepared for scorching sun and high temperatures around mid-day, even during winter.

Weather Forecast

DAY	DESCRIPTION	HIGH / LOW	PRECIP	WIND	HUMIDITY
MON FEB 5	Partly Cloudy	27 · 11	0%	SSE 11 km/h	43%
TUE FEB 6	Mostly Sunny	28 · 11	0%	SSE 8 km/h	41%
WED FEB 7	Partly Cloudy	26 · 10	10%	E 9 km/h	44%
THU FEB 8	Partly Cloudy	23 · 10	10%	E 9 km/h	52%
FRI FEB 9	Partly Cloudy	23 · 9	0%	ENE 9 km/h	51%
SAT FEB 10	Mostly Sunny	24 · 9	0%	ENE 9 km/h	47%
SUN FEB 11	Mostly Sunny	23 · 8	0%	NNE 13 km/h	46%

Source: The Weather Channel

Public Transport

As far as public transportation is concerned, there are four methods to move around the city: Taxis, buses, metro and the Macrobus. There are plenty of taxis in Guadalajara, which means that pre-arranging a ride is not necessary, although is recommended. You can arrange an affiliated taxi at your hotel. You can also use Uber service, which is considered to be safer and cleaner. Getting around Guadalajara by bus is an useful option too. You can also use the Macrobus and the metro (Tren Ligero) which has two lines that cover the municipalities of Guadalajara and Zapopan. For further information about buses visit the [public transport planner](#).

Conference Venues

Inauguration Ceremony

February 7, 2018

Assembly Hall of the University of Guadalajara

Address: Avenida Juárez 975.

If you request Uber service, enter destination as: Paraninfo Enrique Díaz de León.



Panels and Sessions

February 8 & 9, 2018

Juan José Arreola Public Library of the State of Jalisco

Address: Periférico Norte, Manuel Gómez Morín 1695.

If you request Uber service, enter destination as: Biblioteca Pública del Estado de Jalisco.



Eating Out

[Punto Sao Paulo Mall](#)

The NH Collection Guadalajara Providencia is the venue hotel for the 25th Annual ANZSANA Conference. It is located in 2334 Sao Paulo. The hotel is part of the Punto Sao Paulo Shopping Centre where you will find many different restaurants.

[Andares Shopping Centre](#)

Andares is one of the largest and most visited shopping centres in Guadalajara, and there are many restaurants to choose from, including P.F. Chang's, Outback Steakhouse, La Moresca, La Pastería, La Vaca Argentina, Olive Garden, and Il Diavolo.

[La Tequila Cocina de México](#)

2830 Avenida México

This restaurant specialises in Mexican cuisine, and it is one of the highest rated Mexican restaurants in the city.

[Santo Coyote](#)

2379 Miguel Lerdo de Tejada

This restaurant is known for its delicious Mexican food as well as its eye-catching decorations, and it is also one of the highest rated restaurants in Guadalajara.

[La Trattoria](#)

3051 Avenida Niños Héroes

One of the best Italian restaurants in the city at an affordable price.

Dining Out

[Alcalde](#)

2903 Avenida México

Contemporary Mexican food in an artistic and electric modern bar restaurant with open kitchen.

[La Docena](#)

1491 Sao Paulo

Oyster Bar & Grill.

[Nativo Taller Gastronómico](#)

2377 Sao Paulo

Contemporary Mexican restaurant, with vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free options.

[Magno Brasserie](#)

2061 José Guadalupe Zuno Hernández

Author's Italian dishes with wine or craft beer in an urban design site with a cosy terrace.

[La Casa de los Platos](#)

2367 Sao Paulo

Colonial style Mexican restaurant bar in a tropical garden.

[Trasfonda](#)

2031 Miguel Lerdo de Tejada

Traditional Mexican cuisine restaurant.

Grabbing a Drink

[Chat Lunatique](#)

480 Chapultepec Sur

Avant-garde and artistic place to grab a drink and try American snacks and international dishes.

[Pistones](#)

1551 Avenida de las Américas

Hamburgers, snacks, and beers in Punto Sao Paulo.

[Fat Charlie](#)

1940 Manuel López Cotilla

Nice bar that offers delicious cocktails with distilled and liquors, accompanied by live music.

[Cantina La Fuente](#)

78 Pino Suárez

One of the oldest and most famous cantinas in Guadalajara, a very picturesque place.

[Reyes Salón Cantina](#)

360 Real Acueducto

Merge the essence of traditional Mexico with the contemporary where you can enjoy a good mezcal or tequila.

[Caviarizquierda](#)

1568 Ottawa

It is a restaurant and bar with signature cuisine and an innovative botanical mixology bar, cocktails and the largest bar in Guadalajara.

[Culture](#)

[Guadalajara Cathedral](#)

Located at the public square known as Plaza de Armas, offers a wide variety of paintings attributed to Cristóbal de Villalpando, Miguel Cabrera, and Murillo, some of Mexico's finest artists.

[The Government Palace](#)

Located also at Plaza de Armas, offers a splendid Baroque architecture and a number of murals representing the War of Independence along with the heroes of the three Mexican wars painted by famous fresco-painter José Clemente Orozco. Open from Tuesday to Friday, 8am-7pm, free admission.

[The Regional Museum of Guadalajara](#)

Located just a few metres from the Plaza de Armas, offers exhibits dealing with local fossils and geography, a large mineral collection and a fine collection of colonial-era artwork. Open from Tuesday to Sunday, 9am-5pm, admission fee: 55 MXN.

[Degollado Theatre](#)

Home to the Philharmonic Orchestra of Jalisco as well as to cultural festivals, performances of live theatre, opera and dance. Open from Tuesday to Friday, 12:30pm-2pm and Sunday, 10am-2pm.

[Hospicio Cabañas](#)

Declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Hospicio Cabañas is one of the oldest hospitals in Latin America and it is notable for its fine murals by José Clemente Orozco. Open from Tuesday to Sunday, 10am-6pm, admission fee: 70 MXN

[The Rotunda of Illustrious Men](#)

This large circular stone monument, constructed in honour of the state's best-known historical figures, displays 17 tall columns and houses the remains of 98 important individuals. You can also appreciate a number of statues of some of these individuals. Tip: Visit the site after nightfall to see it lit up in an spectacular way.

Nature

Colomos Forest

A small forest located in a very nice area of the city. People usually go for a jog or to visit the Japanese Garden and see ducks, squirrels, and plenty other animals.

Primavera Forest

Beautiful forest located on the outskirts of the city. There are some incredible views and amazing hiking trails.

Barranca de Huentitán

Also located on the outskirts of the city, this canyon is great for hiking and an enjoying amazing views.

Trips

Mazamitla

A 2 hour drive from Guadalajara

It is a great town to spend the weekend in the countryside. Cabins are available to rent for the night. Horse riding tours are available too.

Tapalpa

A 2 hour drive from Guadalajara

It is a great town to spend the weekend in the countryside. Cabins are available to rent for the night. There are many excellent outdoor restaurants that specialise in grilled meats.

Tequila

A 1 hour drive from Guadalajara

It is a great town to spend the day out of the city. Tequila is best known as being the birthplace of the drink that bears its name, "Tequila," which is made from the blue agave plant, native to this area.

Chapala

A 1 hour drive from Guadalajara

It is a great town to spend the day out of the city. Situated next to Mexico's largest freshwater lake, Chapala is known for its beautiful historic town and its marvellous restaurants.

Security Recommendations

Guadalajara is a very beautiful and enjoyable city; however, there are certain recommendations you should follow to make sure you are safe at all times.

- Try to keep a low profile: If you're out on the street or using public transport, make sure your valuables are not visible. Put away your phone, wallet and cash. If possible keep your bag, briefcase, or backpack closed. Don't wear eye-catching jewelry.
- Be mindful of your valuables: If you're in a crowded place make sure to be permanently aware of where your phone and wallet are, as pickpockets are not uncommon.
- Be extra cautious at night or in dark areas: Muggers and criminals exploit situations like these to their advantage.
- Ask about safety: If you're planning on going somewhere, ask the locals about the area. If they tell you not to go or to take specific precautions, listen to them.
- Be careful with both Taxi and Uber drivers: Taxi drivers are known to take advantage of foreigners who might not be familiar with the pricing by overcharging them. Also, when requesting an Uber, you should make sure the driver takes the designated route marked by the GPS.