



Mexico

SA PLAYA DEL CARMEN #1

City: Playa del Carmen

Population: 50,000

School Name: SA Playa del Carmen #1

School Location: Downtown by the beach

Website: www.spanishabroad.com/qintanaroo.htm

PLAYA DEL CARMEN

Playa del Carmen is a lovely, picturesque Mayan fishing village located in the center of Mexico's Cancun-Tulum corridor in the state of Quintana Roo. In the heart of the Yucatan Peninsula, this small city is approximately 35 minutes from the international airport in Cancun, and only 45 minutes by ferry to Cozumel. Though the city is smaller than Cancun, one can still find numerous shops, restaurants, bars, and discos, enough to satisfy any taste.

Playa del Carmen is known throughout the world for its numerous attractions, which include: snorkeling, diving, wind surfing, fishing, golf, and horseback riding. The beaches themselves are spectacular. Nowhere else will you find beaches so white, and sand so soft. For snorkeling and diving, you have come to the right place. The water is crystal clear, and the area is home to numerous reefs, all of which are teeming with an abundance of life. For something a little different, try exploring some of the beautiful 'cenotes' (natural wells) located around Playa del Carmen. Snorkeling and diving in these wells is truly a once in a lifetime experience.

For those interested in the Maya, there is no better place to be. Within just a few hours of Playa del Carmen are the impressive ruins of Chichen Itza, Coba, and of course Tulum. There are numerous tours plus excellent bus service from Playa del Carmen that will allow you to get to any one of these places very easily.

WHY PLAYA DEL CARMEN?

- Small resort-like town
- Crystal clear waters
- Limitless outdoor activities
- Mayan tours, archeology and ruins
- Perfect weather
- Romantic beaches
- Adventure and exploration
- Lush vegetation and surroundings

SCHOOL OVERVIEW

Our partner Spanish school is located in the heart of Playa del Carmen, just a few blocks away from the stunningly beautiful beaches of the Caribbean. The school has an excellent reputation as a top Spanish language school. From top to bottom, this is a quality organization. Its facilities are among the best found anywhere, and to match this, the school has excellent instructors and uses well organized materials for Spanish language instruction. This combination of excellent facilities and great teachers allows students learn Spanish in a short period of time while also being immersed in the Mexican culture.

The school was designed specifically with small group and private instruction in mind. The grounds and buildings are built in the typical Caribbean style so common in this part of Mexico. This style of architecture creates an inviting atmosphere that encourages intensive learning. The building has a beautiful inner courtyard which offers students a great place to relax between classes. All classrooms are air conditioned as well

In addition to the excellent programs, beautiful setting and professional staff, the Spanish language school offers a language lab to assist with the students' communication skills. There is an on-campus library stocked with books on grammar, the Mayan culture, religion and travel in Mexico, and many other publications relating to Mexico. Students also have access to high speed wireless internet at the school.

SCHOOL FACTS

- Few blocks from the beach
- Caribbean architecture
- Committed staff and teachers
- Quality instruction
- Academic credit available

PROGRAM OPTIONS

Group 4 Program. Group instruction, 4 lessons per day, 5 students max per class. Courses are held from 9:00 am to 1:00 PM and are composed of three hours of conversation & grammar.

Group 5 Program. Group instruction, 5 lessons per day, 5 students max per class. Courses are held from 9:00 am to 2:00 PM and are composed of three lessons of grammar and two hours of conversation and/or lectures.

Combined Program. Perfect for those who need something more intensive or some type of

specialized Spanish language instruction. This program includes 4 lessons of group instruction, PLUS 1 OR 2 lessons in a private class setting.

Private Program. 4 lessons of individual Spanish language instruction. This is the perfect program if you only have a little time to dedicate to a program, you need to cover specialized topics, or simply prefer to study in a private setting. Pricing below is for 4 lessons per day. If you need more, that is easily arranged.

Spanish & Scuba. We also offer you the possibility to combine your language course with one of our numerous diving options. You can, thus, learn the fantastic underwater world of the second biggest coral reef in the world. It stuns you with its diversity, while the objects are clearly seen at a 25-meter distance. The diving equipment will be provided to you at your language course location. Diving insurance is not included in the price, but it still has to be booked.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Homestay. One of the most important parts of your learning and cultural experience at Soléxico is the homestay portion. Homestay accommodations includes two meals (breakfast and lunch), a private room, bathroom, and laundry service once a week. Very few homes can provide private bath for the student. Host families belong to Mexico's middle class. Family homes are located in neighborhoods usually not more than a 20 to 30 minute walk to school.

Student Residence. This option is just a short walk to the Spanish language school. The residence is actually an upscale 5 bedroom house that has 3 bathrooms. You can opt for either a private or shared bedroom and then you will share the common areas (kitchen, living room, etc.) with other students staying at the residence. The student residence option is perfect if you prefer not to stay with a local host family.

Student Apartment: Currently the school offers a comfortable 2 bedroom apartment very close to the school. You can get a private or shared bedroom and will then share common areas with the other resident(s). The apartment is comfortable and like the residence is close to everything in Playa del Carmen.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

With Playa's great location, students can enjoy a great variety of activities that enhance their knowledge of the Mexican culture. These excursions and social activities are educational and entertaining.

