JOURNEY TO THE SEA OF CORTEZ

Summer Cruise
Liveaboard Adventure Expedition
8 Days – July 13 - 20, 2017
La Paz, BCS, Mexico
Journey to the Sea of Cortez:

- Join us onboard our 110’ motor yacht, the MV Adventure, as we take you on a Journey to the Sea of Cortez.
- While July is a very warm month in the Baja it offers some of the most crystal clear waters and spectacular snorkeling in North America.
- Anticipate daily snorkeling, kayaking, birdwatching, wildlife encounters, visits to remote communities and more.
- The expedition offers the opportunity to reconnect with nature in a meaningful way. Nature, eco-education and culture inclusive!
- Experiences like this leave our guests with memories of a lifetime. Guests often return to continue a journey they did not realize they started!

Trip Highlights and Natural History:

- **Snorkeling and Kayaking** – Crystal clear waters, different environments and an array of undersea life. Snorkeling with sea lions is one of the trip highlights.
- **Wildlife Encounters** – Dolphins, mobula rays, sea lions and more awaits discovery. Birdwatching; seabirds, birds of prey, wading birds and more can be found everywhere.
- **The Sea of Cortez** and its’ desert islands offers an amazing biodiversity of marine and terrestrial life. From sea to sky we will explore the natural history of this unique marine environment.
- **On Land Adventures** – Day 5 we will disembark the ship and check in to the beautiful Hotel Catedral in La Paz. Day 6 the group will visit Todos Santos for lunch and shopping. Day 7 is a free day to explore La Paz.

The Ship, the MV Adventure:

- The "MV Adventure" is a 110’ aluminum hull ship.
- Certified passenger vessel, crew, vessel paperwork, safety and navigation equipment meet the legal requirements under the “Nacional de Seguridad Maritima” laws.
- Multiple level decks are ideal for wildlife viewing.
- Accommodations are private staterooms with single berths (upper/lower), double/quad occupancy.
- Each stateroom comes complete with air conditioning, cupboards and draws to un-pack in, sink/vanity and comfortable spacious bunks.
- Shared restrooms and showers are separate to the staterooms.
- The Captain, engineer and crew are onboard to insure the safety and well-being of the group. They bring many years of marine experience offering the warmth and kindness that reflects the people of Baja, Mexico.

Climate:

- Lose yourself to the warm, crystal clear waters of the Sea of Cortez.
- In July, the air temperature ranges from 28-38 C (82-100f), water temperature 24-30 C (78-86f).
- In the Baja the days will be hot and beautiful with the evenings cooling down enough to enjoy cocktails and appetizers on the bow!
Itinerary:

Day 1 (July 13):  Arrival
- Our drivers will pick you up at the Cabo (SJD) or La Paz (LAP) airport and transfer you to the ship in La Paz. Anticipate a beautiful 2.5 hour drive from the Cabo Airport.
- Once guests have boarded the ship we will depart for the islands.

Day 2 - 4:  At Sea
- Today we begin our adventure at sea. Areas to be explored include; Isla Espiritu Santos, Isla Partida, Isla San Francisco, Isla San Jose and Isla Pardito.
- Anticipate lots of snorkeling to stay cool!

Day 5 - 7:  Disembarking and Hotel Transfer
- We will arrive back at the docks in La Paz, on Day 5, and disembark at 9:00 am. Hotel check-in for the next 3 days / 3 nights
- The rest of Day 5 is yours to relax and spend the day at the hotel pool or strolling the famous seawalk the “Malecon”.
- Day 6 we will head out on a half day adventure to the famous Hotel California in Todos Santos for lunch and shopping.
- Day 7 is yours to discover La Paz!

Day 8 (July 20):  Departure
- Hotel check out and our drivers will return you to the Cabo or La Paz Airport for your return flight home.

Planned Activities:
- Snorkeling
- Kayaking
- Swimming
- Astronomy
- Nightlight
- Wildlife Encounters
  - dolphins
  - sea lions
  - birds
  - undersea life
- Cultural interaction – visits to remote island communities.
- 3 days / 3 nights in La Paz
- Day trip to Todos Santos for lunch and shopping
Expedition Includes:

- Airport and ground transfers while in Mexico (expedition dates)
- 5 days / 4 nights onboard our ship the MV Adventure
- Ship amenities (all inclusive - meals, alcohol / non-alcohol beverages, accommodations, snorkel gear, kayaks and ships library)
- National Park fees
- 3 day / 3 night hotel stay in La Paz
- Todos Santos day trip

Expedition DOES NOT Include:

- Airfare (group flight quote available)
- Travel Insurance
- Meals during hotel stay
- Service provider gratuities
- Items of a personal nature

Expedition Cost:

- $1895.00 USD per person
- group size 16 participants

Panterra Facebook Photo Album links to past summer trips:

- Haggarty Family Summer Cruise 2016
- Summer Cruise for Educators and Travel Agents 2016

Panterra Trip Advisor Reviews

ADDITIONAL Notes:

- Accommodations: We have 2 quad staterooms offering kids under 12 a special rate of $500.00 per child, maximum 2 kids per quad room when staying with two parents in stateroom.

Where the impossible adventure is possible!