



San Ignacio Lagoon

| Getting closer to Gray Whales than you ever imagined



“ After a couple of minutes of watching blows all over the lagoon, our Captain explained a very simple rule for my life. He told us to be gentle and splash the water with our hands. After a few minutes of splashing, a whale approached and came straight to me. I started rubbing and scratching the baby and she was so happy about that I think she started purring. She stayed with us for a long time and changed the life of all of us on the panga. I've seen and done a lot of things in my life but this was far away the most amazing experience ever. The star lit sky that night in camp was second! — Ronald Z. ”

We love gray whales. They are kind of shy. Not super athletic. Not the best singers. Not sleek and powerful like their cousins, the humpback whales. But they have a charm all of their own that we love. All of this makes the changes in their behaviour all the more remarkable when they enter the remote, quiet salt water lagoons of Baja Mexico every spring to mate and birth- in particular San Ignacio, which is the sole remaining pristine lagoon free from development. The whales of San Ignacio are uniquely curious and interactive and you will enjoy up-close, intimate encounters with these gentle giants and their young. From breaching to spyhopping, be on the lookout to spot a variety of whale behaviors and witness the bond between mothers and their new calves.

Your adventure starts with an 8:00am departure from Cabo San Lucas for a 2 hour flight directly to San Ignacio. You can be sure that our hostesses will be waiting for you with a mimosa before you head out to the Lagoon for your first whale interaction! You will have the option of **3 or 4 whale watching sessions each day** noting the national park regulation limiting each session to 90 minutes to make room for other pangas. You can do as much or as little as you like each day. As well as whale watching, guests can enjoy kayaking, paddle boarding, beach walks, bird watching, exploring the mangrove swamps, and participate in our mangrove reforestation project. The highlight for many is the incredible starlit Mexican sky. You can expect an unwavering obsession with safety, a crew who love what we do and excellence in guest experience from fine linens to a choice of microbrews, wine and single malts to the option of en-suite bathrooms and showers. You will have time for one last early morning whale watching interaction on Day 4 before your 10:30am flight back to Cabo.

Baja Expeditions founder Tim Means pioneered gray whale trips in San Ignacio over 40 years ago by partnering with the local fisherman and community. Our camp continues to support local conservation and mangrove restoration projects.

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