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Famous for its delicious huevos motuleños, as the birthplace of the leader Felipe Carrillo Puerto, and for being a center of Yucatán's henequen industry, Motul offers travelers an authentic and fascinating experience.



Motul has existed long before almost any other place in Yucatán. Its Mayan past resonates in the pride its people feel for their culture and language. This cultural richness is complemented by the treasures that remain from the colonial period, including one of the oldest churches on the peninsula.

Its former haciendas tell stories of a glorious and prosperous past. Visiting them is like reliving a golden era for the town in northern Yucatán.





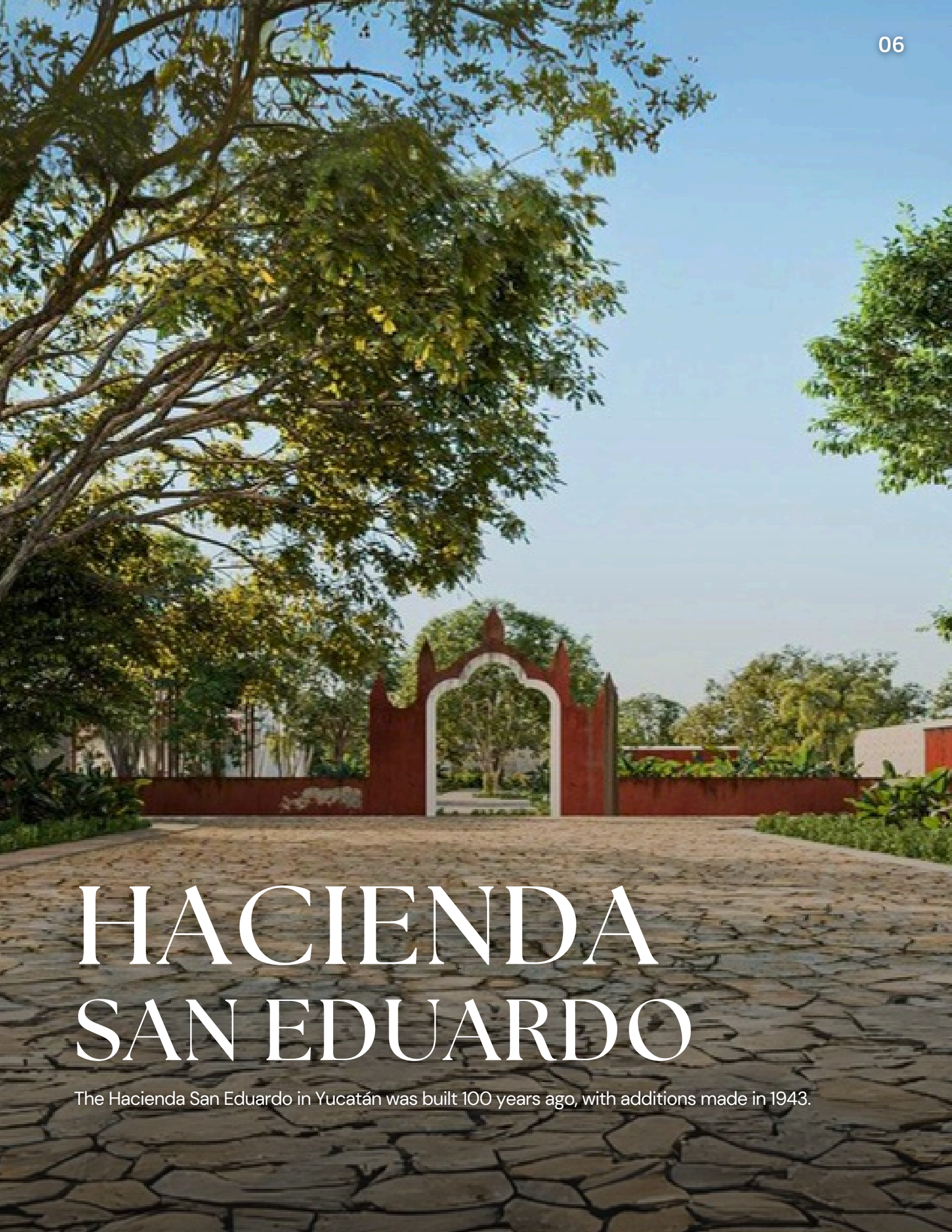
MOTULEÑO EGGS

Huevos motuleños are a traditional dish from the Yucatán Peninsula, originating in Motul, Yucatán. Although it is said they were first prepared in the 1920s in honor of Felipe Carrillo Puerto, it was Doña Evelina, a renowned Motul cook, who perfected the recipe and popularized it, earning several awards for her contribution to local gastronomy.

The dish consists of fried tortillas topped with sunny-side-up eggs, tomato sauce with onions, chiles, ham or chorizo, accompanied by refried beans, fried plantains, and fresh cheese. Its combination of sweet and savory flavors has made it an icon of Yucatecan cuisine.

Today, visiting Motul and trying huevos motuleños at the local market—especially at the place where Doña Evelina served them for decades—is an unmissable experience for lovers of traditional food. That's why we make a special stop in Motul for breakfast, offering a unique opportunity to enjoy one of Yucatán's most authentic flavors.





HACIENDA SAN EDUARDO

The Hacienda San Eduardo in Yucatán was built 100 years ago, with additions made in 1943.



HISTORY OF THE HACIENDA

It is a complex made up of four palaces located on different levels surrounding a central courtyard. Its name was given by the colonizers due to its resemblance to ancient convents. The Quadrangle rests on a rectangular platform over four meters high, measuring 100 meters on each side.

Hacienda San Eduardo, located in Yucatán, was one of many estates that flourished thanks to the production of henequen, a crop that reached its peak in the region during the 19th and early 20th centuries. Henequen, also known as “green gold,” was extracted from the fibers of the agave plant and was a key resource for making ropes, cords, and sacks due to its durability.

During its heyday, henequen haciendas like San Eduardo prospered by exporting large quantities of this fiber worldwide, especially to the United States and Europe. The henequen boom transformed Yucatán into an important economic center, with estates like San Eduardo playing a crucial role in the regional economy. These haciendas not only produced henequen but also operated as self-sufficient communities, with their own factories and housing for workers.





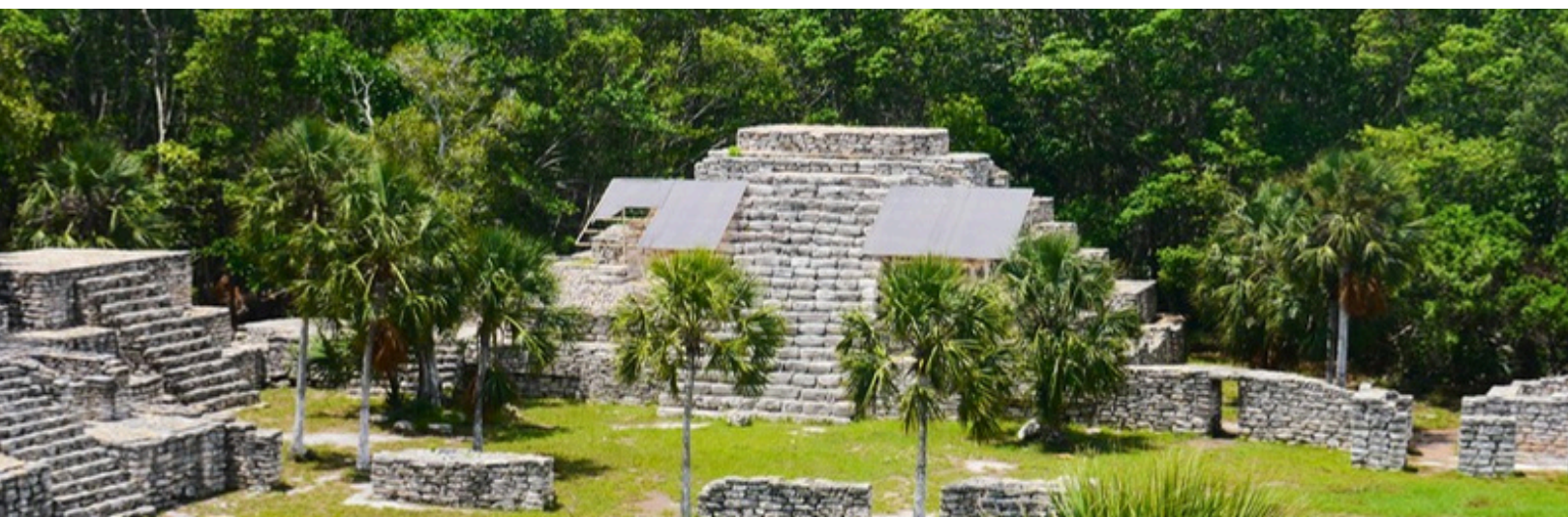
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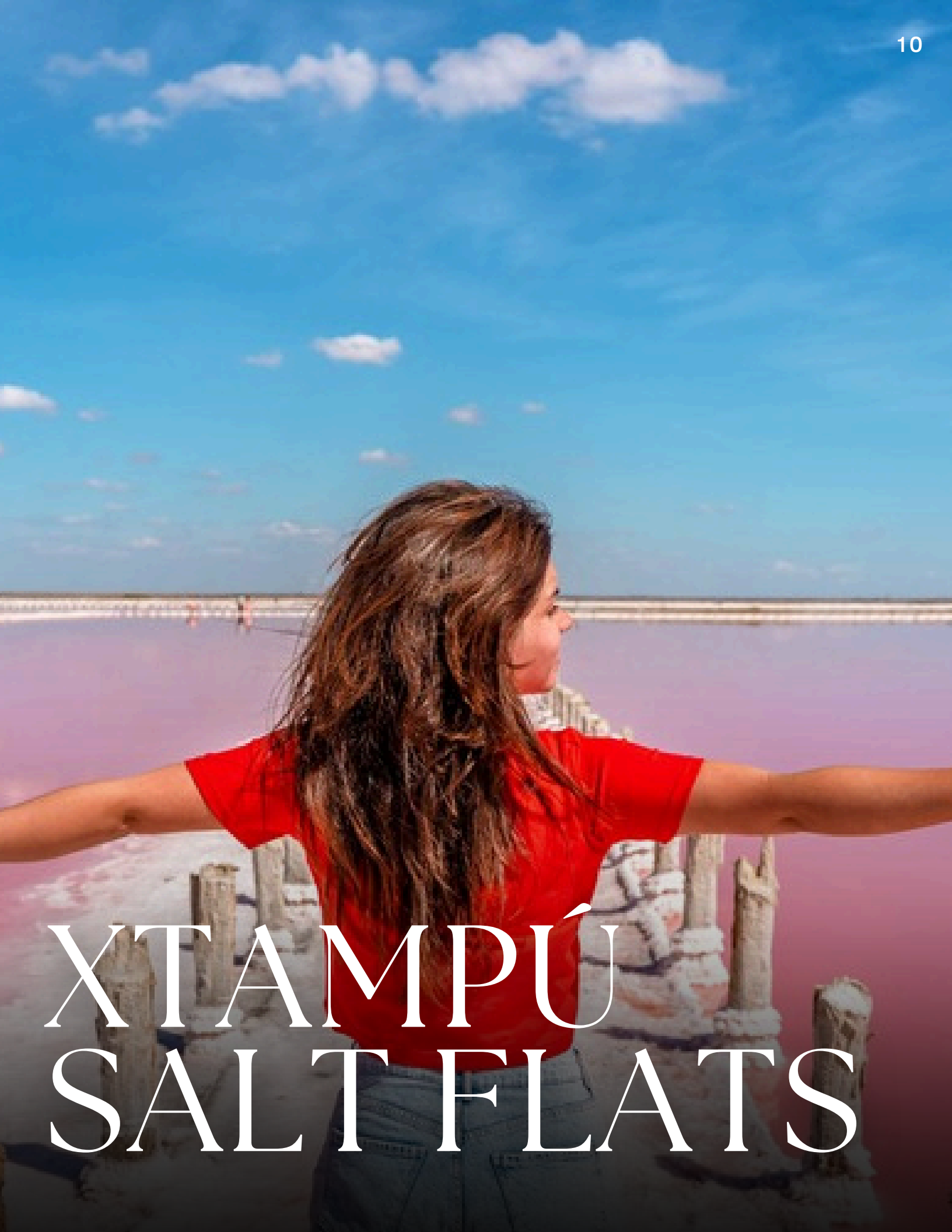


Xcambó is an ancient Mayan city located on the northern coast of the Yucatán Peninsula, near the mangroves and the port area along the Gulf of Mexico. This archaeological site was an important commercial and religious center during the Classic period (300–600 AD) and is believed to have played a key role in the salt trade due to its strategic location near the coastal salt flats.

The city served as a key port for distributing goods between inland Mayan cities and other Mesoamerican civilizations. The site is notable for its pyramids, platforms, and ceremonial plazas, as well as structures dedicated to salt production, one of the most valued commodities in Mayan trade.

Among Xcambó's main attractions are the Central Plaza, surrounded by several medium-sized pyramids, and the Temple of the Cross, a tall structure with views of the nearby mangroves and coastline.





XTAMPÚ SALT FLATS



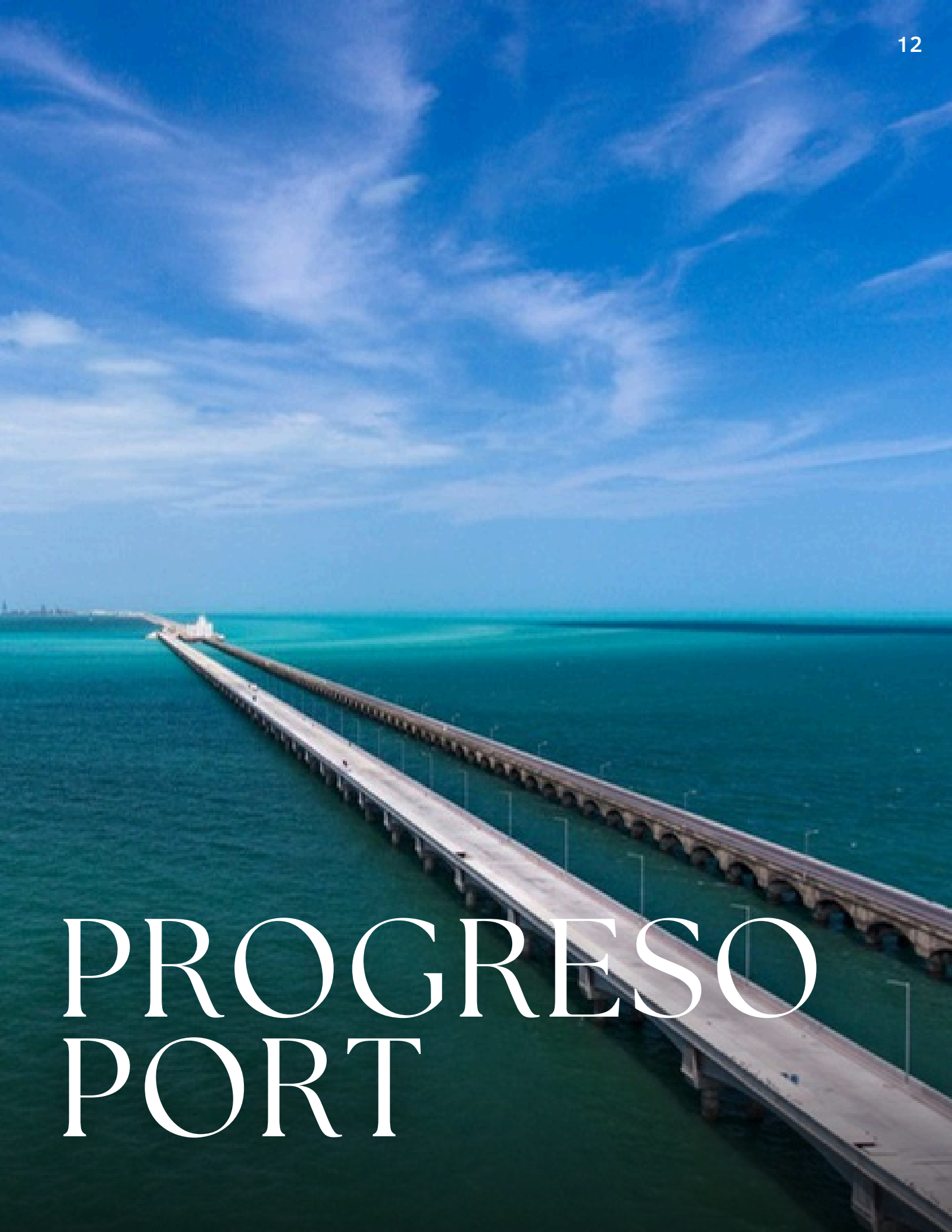
XTAMPÚ SALT FLATS

Xtampú Salt Flats, located on the northern coast of Yucatán near Telchac and Dzemul, is famous for its pink waters, a phenomenon caused by the high salt concentration and the presence of the crustacean *Artemia salina*. This site has been exploited for salt production since pre-Hispanic times and has been a key part of the local economy for centuries, even under the control of various Mayan centers such as Xcambó.

Today, the salt from Xtampú is valued not only for its tourist appeal but also for its natural qualities, making it a healthier option for people with conditions such as hypertension.

In terms of wildlife, the salt flats serve as a habitat for species like jellyfish, fish, crabs, and shrimp. Additionally, it is an important refuge for migratory birds, especially flamingos, which use the area as an ideal stopover during their migrations.





PROGRESO PORT



The boardwalk is the social hub of Progreso Port. During the tourist season, it fills with visitors and locals strolling through the area and enjoying the views. Its thatched-roof restaurants are also a gathering spot for those looking to treat their taste buds.

A little beyond the traditional boardwalk is the Progreso International Boardwalk, a recently built extension connected to the original via the Chocolate Pier. This 1 km-long tourist promenade features numerous attractions, games, lights, and a lively atmosphere. Without a doubt, it is one of the city's most beautiful spaces, perfect for summer evenings.

Some of its highlights include an afternoon carousel overlooking the Gulf of Mexico, the giant "I Love Progreso" letters, the Pyramid of Kukulkán, and the Pirate Ship.

The boardwalk also offers must-visit restaurants such as Heladios, a typical snack-style eatery, Habaneros, Mariscos Chi Chi, and Crafter, along with national and international food stalls, play areas for children, murals, reading zones, bike rental stations, and more.



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