



ABT Adventures Baja, S.A. de R.L. de C.V.

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The Island Beach Day

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Overview: A day of discovery at the islands in the Loreto Bay National Park. You set sail on a 46' catamaran named *Bel Gato* and spend the day on a remote beach enjoying this unique adventure.

Q: How long does the tour last?

A: We leave the dock at Marina Puerto Escondido around 9:00 am and return around 3:00 pm.

Q: How many people can we expect to be with us?

A: There is a maximum of 12 guests and a minimum of 6 guests. If we do not meet the minimum number of guests, we reserve the right to cancel and reschedule or you can receive a full refund. All tours are based on an advance reservation policy, but last-minute walk-ups may be accommodated on a space available basis.

Q: What is included in this tour package?

A: A sailing trip to and from the islands in the National Park. We will anchor off a secluded beach to allow you to enjoy island activities for the day. While under way, enjoy a continental breakfast (coffee, juice, donuts and seasonal fruit). Lunch is included and you can expect a classic hot-off-the-grill meal featuring hamburgers and hot dogs. Throughout the day, you are welcome to complimentary unlimited premium beer, soft drinks, water and snacks. We provide 6 hybrid paddle boards, snorkel equipment, towels and beach chairs for your use. All park entry fees are also included.

Q: What activities are included?

A: All activities are on your own and at your own pace. We provide 6 hybrid paddle boards that are shared with other guests. They are unique in that the paddle boards can be used in stand up or sit-down mode equally well. Snorkel gear is available, and if you wish to use your own gear, we have no objections to you bringing it on board. We try to anchor and set up near good snorkeling and paddling spots. Hiking into the hills is an activity that each individual should assess their fitness level. Some of the trails are difficult and pose a real risk of injury. Other trails or shoreline are safe for all activity levels. Of course, you can always opt to just lay out on the beach and relax.

Q: If I am on a special diet, can you accommodate my food needs?

A: While we serve typical North American meals, if you require or desire something different, you are free to bring your own food.

Q: Do you serve alcohol on the tour?

A: We only offer premium beer brands throughout the day. There is no limit, but responsible consumption of alcoholic beverages is a requirement. We do not allow any alcohol brought on board by guests. At the Captain's discretion, if a guest overindulges, the Captain may cut off that guest from any further consumption. This is strictly enforced for the safety of all the guests. The Captain's decision is final.

Q: What are the qualifications of the Staff & crew?

A: We use only licensed professional captains. Your captain will be glad to show you his credentials and tell you how the boat operates. Crew members are experienced at their tasks and the goal of the entire crew is to be sure that you have a safe and enjoyable experience. We have the latest marine safety equipment on board for your safety.



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Q: Can anyone take groups to the National Park?

A: The **Bel Gato** catamaran is one of only a few permitted boats to have access to the islands. The paddle boards are also individually permitted. We comply with all the requirements to operate legally in the National Park and will always follow the rules and do things the right way. It is illegal to operate in the National Park without proper permits.

Q: What can I expect overall, in the way of amenities and what should I bring myself?

A: The trip is all inclusive and you don't really need to bring anything except personal items. We provide beach towels, beach chairs, paddle boards, shade structures, food and drinks and but some not so obvious amenities that you may appreciate are:

- Private bathrooms with flush toilets & fresh water hot showers
- Air-conditioned Salon area
- Safety of a proven blue-water sailing vessel

Q: What should I wear? What weather conditions should I expect?

A: Typically, you will encounter warm sunny weather. There are times when the wind picks up or it may rain. Most of the time the sea is calm and smooth, but can pick up and get a little choppy. Wear or bring clothing that has good sun protection, hats and sunglasses are a very good idea. We provide sunscreen, but if you bring your own, be sure to bring only a non-aerosol type. You can wear your bathing suits or change later, we have private rooms for changing. Wear soft rubber soled shoes or flip flops. On-board, you can go barefoot, but on the beach, tennis shoes are ideal for hiking around.

Q: What fitness level is required?

A: Depending on your activities, it can range from very easy to difficult. As a minimum, you will need to be able to step off a dock onto a boat, and also step into a small dinghy type from the boat. Unfortunately, we have no provision for handicap equipment.

Q: Are children allowed on this tour?

A: We don't recommend this tour for very small children or infants. There are too many potential hazards where small child could get hurt. Each situation is different, but we recommend that children be at least 10 years old. All children must be under direct supervision of an adult at all times. All passengers, including children pay the same fee.

Q: What is your cancellation policy?

A: If you cancel your reservation more than 24 hours before departure time, we will gladly provide a 100% refund. If you cancel your reservation less than 24 hours before departure time, you will receive a 50% refund. If we are forced to cancel due to weather, insufficient bookings, or any other reason beyond the control of the guest, we will reschedule or provide you a 100% refund.

Q: Is tipping allowed or expected?

A: Our team works hard to provide you with an outstanding experience. If you feel the crew did an exceptional job, a tip of 10-20% is appreciated.

