



COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

Rocio del Mar

Sea of Cortez / Explore Baja

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~ ALL GUESTS MUST SIGN A COVID WAIVER WITHIN TWO WEEKS OF THEIR TRIP ~

WELCOME!

It is a pleasure to welcome you aboard **Rocio del Mar**. We are as excited as you are to embark on this adventure. We look forward to sharing the **Sea of Cortez/Explore Baja** with you and giving you many opportunities to relax and have fun.

While the COVID situation is fluid, and we remain flexible should conditions change, we have implemented protocols to lessen the possibility of infection during this time. We ask for your help in making this trip safer for you, the other guests, and our crew.

ALL GUESTS ARE REQUIRED TO SHOW PROOF OF A NEGATIVE COVID TEST TAKEN WITHIN 72 HOURS BEFORE BOARDING

All guests are to provide proof of a negative COVID test (antigen is fine) taken within 72 hours of boarding. Home tests are not acceptable. This is regardless of vaccination status.

Should a guest test positive, they will be allowed to use 100% of what they paid toward a future trip. To obtain this credit, they must send proof of the test result to Susan@MexicoLiveaboard.com. A credit voucher will be issued, and they can use this for any future trip through December 31, 2023. If the trip were booked through an agency, the credit memo and rebooking would go through the agency.

CREW

All crew members receive a COVID test between each trip.

FOR THE SHUTTLE

The Head Out to Rocky Point Shuttle is operating as usual. There are no special requirements.

Mexico does not require a COVID test, and the US does not require a COVID test to enter the USA by land.

SHOULD YOU EXPERIENCE SYMPTOMS

We ask that you notify a divemaster should you have any changes in health. It is essential to be honest if you experience any symptoms that may compromise your health or the health of others.

Remember that our goal is to keep guests and crew as safe as possible. Therefore, if you feel any of the following symptoms during your trip, please inform us immediately:

Headache
Cough
Fever

Runny nose
Pain in muscles or joints
Irritated eyes

Pain or burning throat
Difficulty breathing

It is important to note that other factors could cause these symptoms. We remind all divers to stay well hydrated to avoid headaches, eat healthily, and avoid excessive use of alcohol, especially if you are going to dive.

If you have any questions or concerns during your trip, please speak with one of our divemasters, who will be happy to guide you in what options are available to keep you and others safe.

MEALS

Please wash your hands before entering the dining room and bring a facemask or handkerchief if you feel you may cough or sneeze.

If any guest shows symptoms, they will not be able to access the dining room, and we will take their meal to their room or another designated area.

EVACUATION PLAN IN CASE OF A SEVERE CASE OF COVID-19

Suppose any passenger presents symptoms such as a fever higher than 100.4F/38C, a cough, runny nose, pain or burning throat, or respiratory distress. In that case, they must immediately inform one of the divemasters or captain.

The guest will be restricted to their cabin. Meals will be brought to the cabin. Facemasks will be mandatory as a preventive measure when receiving a meal.

The roommate* will move to the TV room, which will be their new room under the circumstances.

Dependent upon when this happens during the trip and the severity of the symptoms, the captain will determine the best course of action; an evacuation or end the trip early and return to Puerto Peñasco.

Once this is determined, the captain will make a general announcement to all guests. This announcement will state that a guest has presented some symptoms and the next steps.

The guest's room with a suspected case of COVID-19 will be quarantined until arrival in port so that it can be thoroughly disinfected. No one can enter during this time.

Should an evacuation be deemed best, the evacuation may be in Bahía de Kino, Sonora, where we will have a better medical evaluation. Based on the medical assessment, a decision will be made about whether the guest will return home or stay a few days at a place of their preference. The guest will absorb these costs. This is an additional reason why we highly recommend that you review your travel/medical insurance for coverage should this occur.

Once the evacuation is complete, the boat will depart and continue with the rest of its itinerary. The guests and crew will continue to be monitored. If anyone else presents similar symptoms, we may need to end the trip and return to Puerto Peñasco or San Jose del Cabo immediately.

*** ROOMMATE**

The roommate will take their personal items with disinfection wipes to the TV room, where that will be their new room until the end of the trip. This room will be for the exclusive use of this guest. Given the circumstances, the guest will have access to the outdoor showers on the diving platform, where we have hot water. The bathroom on the dive deck will be for their exclusive use.

Our goal is to ensure the best experience possible while ensuring everyone's safety. We appreciate your assistance as we comply with the state's guidelines and federal laws of the government of Mexico.