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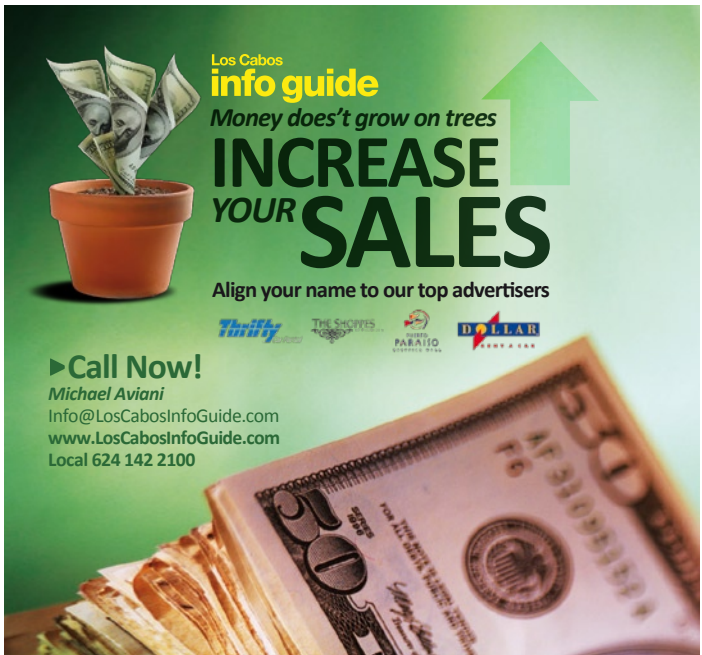
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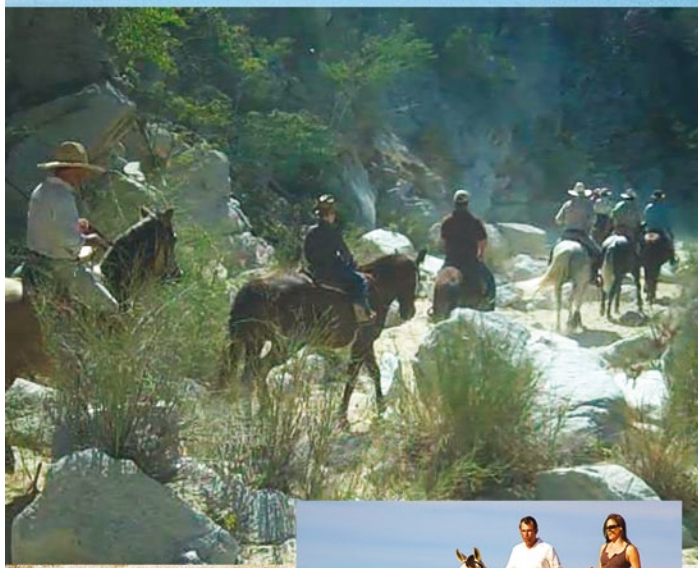
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# Beaches of Los Cabos

BY Michael Koehn. PHOTOS Michael Aviani

Southern Baja has some of the most inviting beach spots anywhere, with long sandy stretches plentiful along the scenic coastline running from Playa Hotelera in San Jose del Cabo to Land's End in Cabo San Lucas.

What we look for in a great beach differs from person to person, but clean white sand and clarity of water are standard throughout the area. Some local beaches are known for great swimming or snorkeling, while others are perfect secluded relaxing or surfing. So whether you're looking for solitude, wildlife encounters, a point break or a party, Baja's sandy shores offer something for everyone.





## **Playa del Amor**

### *Lover's Beach*

Accessible by a water taxi or glass-bottom boat from the marina, Lover's Beach is a small connecting stretch of sand that faces the Cabo marina and open sea, making for quick walk from the Sea of Cortez to the Pacific. A trip could also include a tour around the dramatic point for a view of Grand Solmar and neighboring resorts. Not for swimming, but a good place to take a picnic and, as the namesake suggests, more than a few weddings have taken place here. Hire a water taxi at the marina and the captain will drop you off, touring the diving areas around El Arco, Neptune's Fingers and Sand Falls along the way.

## **Playa del Divorcio**

### *Divorce Beach*

This short stretch of white sand known is located on the Pacific side of Land's End just a short walk from, ironically, Lover's Beach. While Divorce Beach is inviting for sunbathing, picnicking and beachcombing, swimming here is dangerous due to strong currents and sometimes heavy surf.

## **Medano Beach**

Stretching for about two miles along Bahia San Lucas, Medano gets the award for best beach scene in Cabo. The operative word here is activity, as it's the place to hook up with a parasailing venture, jet skis, or a bucket of beers, and there are long sandy stretches that are good for swimming. Very popular day and night, crowds gravitate to the thumping speakers of clubs lining the area, and good food and fishbowl-sized margaritas can be had at hotspots like The Office, Billigan's Island and Mango Deck.

## Playa Monumento

### *Monuments Beach*

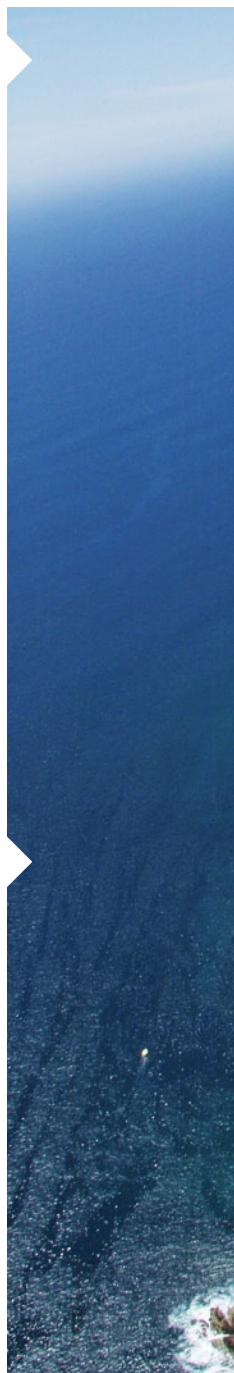
Situated below Sunset Da Mona Lisa Restaurant this beach is a short drive from Cabo San Lucas. Depending on conditions, you can surf, snorkel the reefs, swim or just relax in the sun. If you bring your board, remember the surf has a left point break that can be tricky, so it's recommended for seasoned or expert surfers only.

## Playa Bahía Chileno

Chileno Bay is another location popular for its underwater scenery. More popular than Santa Maria for outings and snorkeling tours, Chileno has a Cabo Acuadeportes dive shop palapa on the west end of the beach that provides rentals for water enthusiasts. This might be the best all-around beach in the area, and a lot of the action lies beneath its shimmering surface, with tropical fish, sea turtles, moray eels and other sea life in abundance.

## Santa Maria Beach

A beautiful isolated cove fronting Bahía Santa María, you can sometimes have this spot all to yourself, walking the crescent-shaped sands and enjoying the sparkling Sea of Cortez. Bahía Santa María is a protected marine sanctuary, so bring along a snorkel and fins for a subsurface rendezvous with the teeming, multi-colored, friendly marine life you can find around the perimeter of the bay. Safe and secluded, Santa Maria is an ideal beach on a lot of levels.



An aerial photograph of the Los Cabos coastline in Mexico. The image shows a rugged, hilly landscape with sparse vegetation and a network of dirt roads. A multi-lane highway runs along the right side of the frame. The ocean is a deep blue, with white waves crashing against the rocky shore. Two specific beaches are highlighted with blue callout boxes: Monumentos Beach in the upper left and Santa María Beach in the lower left. The Santa María Beach area features a large, prominent rock formation jutting into the sea. The overall scene is a mix of natural beauty and developed infrastructure.

Monuments Beach

Santa María Beach



## **Playa Acapulquito Old Man's Beach**

Just west of Playa Costa Azul with access just off the highway at Km 28, Playa Acapulquito is a popular surf spot with locals. Swimming is allowed, but be sure watch the waves for boarders.

## **Playa Costa Azul**

This half-mile stretch of beach near Palmilla Bay is home to the world famous surf break called "Zippers." When conditions are right the waves here can be impressive, pounding the sandy shoreline. Waves peak outside by the rocks then pick up speed along a cobblestone reef and maintain form all the way down the line. Swimming is possible when things are calm but board sports rule here.

## **La Playita *The Little Beach***

Playita Beach, near the east entrance to San José del Cabo's new marina at Puerto Los Cabos, offers some of the best amenities of any beach in the area. Features include a safe, roped-off swimming area inside the harbor entrance, as well as a white sand beach which is ideal for watersports and fishing. The well-maintained facility also offers a play area for kids, restrooms, and palapas to protect visitors from the sun. Fishing charters are also available through the La Playa sportfishing fleet.



## Playa Hotelera

This stretch of sand runs from the estuary west until it reaches Costa Azul. Playa Hotelera beaches are generally not recommended for swimming due to the shore break and relatively deep drop-off, but it is popular for its Plazas Garuffi and Caracol, which offers a selection of shops and restaurants. The beach itself includes palapas, and there's a children's park and playground, a soccer stadium and water park fountains just across the street.

## Tips on Enjoying Our Local Beaches

A day at one of the local beaches should be a thoroughly enjoyable experience, but it's also important to observe some rules for beach and water safety. Severe sunburns, heat stroke and swimming accidents can happen, but they are also easy to avoid.

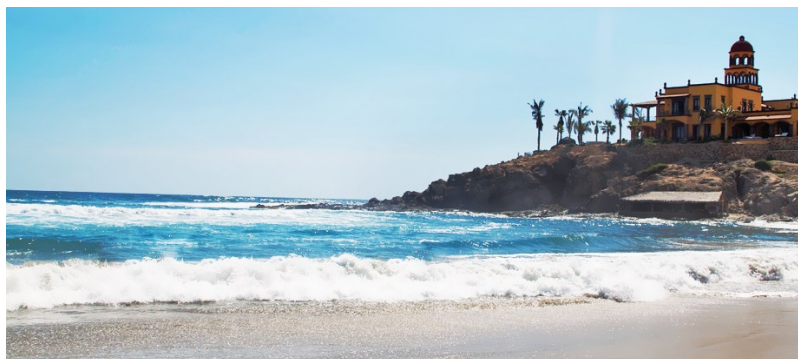
- > Driving or parking on local beaches is prohibited, so make sure you park in designated lots or off the beach. Penalties for driving over turtle nests, disturbing dune vegetation or otherwise degrading the area can result in heavy fines.
- > Swimming in the ocean, especially on the Pacific side, can be dangerous and the heavy surf can be unpredictable. Pay attention to all warning signs, and don't turn your back on the water. Waves form quickly and can catch you by surprise. Also remember there are no lifeguards stationed on local beaches to help swimmers who get into trouble.
- > Plan to bring a high SPF sunblock, reapply often and use a broad-spectrum lotion that protects against both UVA and UVB rays. Young children require a higher SPF sunscreen than adults because their skin is actually thinner and more susceptible to UV rays. Also don't forget sunglasses, hats, plenty of water, snacks and other personal amenities like bathroom tissue. Concessions are usually not available at beach locales, so bring all the supplies you'll need for the day. Also, make sure you don't litter. Plastic bags, old fishing line and other trash can harm the animals and birds along the beach, so use designated trash containers or pack your trash out of the area.

## Playa El Tule

Playa El Tule is a long, sandy stretch of beach that's popular with the locals and offers good surf at times, but, with powerful breaks going in both directions, it's for experienced surfers only. One of the longest stretches of beach in the Los Cabos area, El Tule is perfect for jogging, walking, and even beachcombing, especially for the driftwood that sometimes washes up here or comes down from the arroyo. Access is at Km 16 near the Los Tules bridge.

## Playa Palmilla

The One and Only Palmilla sits above a tranquil bay, and the beach along the isolated cove is an ideal location for sunbathing and snorkeling. The northern part of the beach can be busy with the pangas chartered for fishing. The southern part is separated by a rocky promontory that creates a natural break and calm waters around the cove, with rocks dotting the white sands. There is also access to palapas for shade.





## Playa Los Cerritos

Playa Los Cerritos is a spectacular, sweeping expanse of pristine beach just south of the farming community of Pescadero at about Km 65 on Highway 19. It's popular with families as the water is relatively safe and shallow, and surfers favor the crescent-shaped point break at the western end of the beach. Surf gear can be rented from the mobile Costa Azul surf shop located nearby ■



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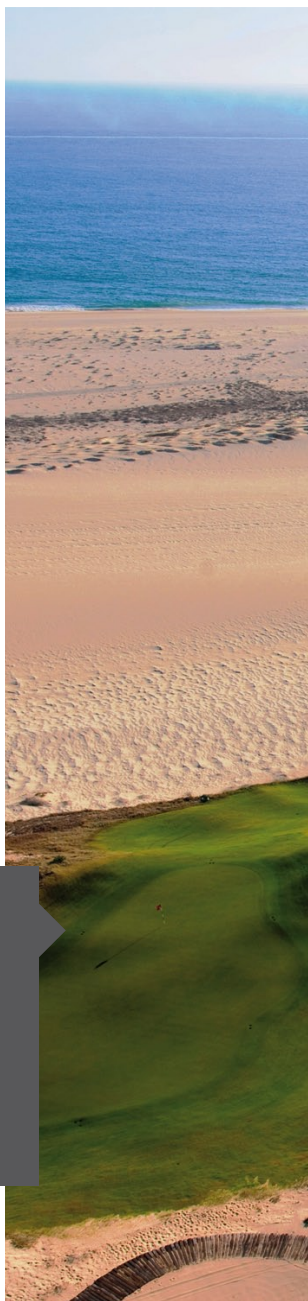
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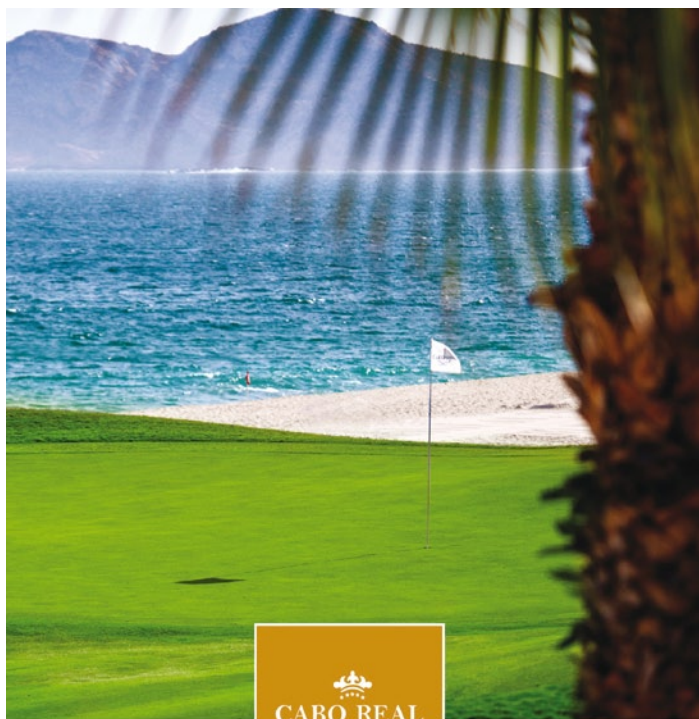
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# Los Cabos Top Restaurants

Dining out continues to be one of the great pleasures in the Los Cabos area. The following is a list of some noteworthy restaurants in the area, each adding its own unique accent to the local dining scene.

Whether it's a new location offering a creative take on traditional Mexican cuisine, a roadside stand featuring the best tacos in town, or a beautifully-conceived take on sushi in all its succulent forms, it's good to know that eating well remains an exciting growth industry in Los Cabos.



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## Nik San

Nick-San is everyone's "go-to" sushi spot in the Los Cabos area, with locations in downtown Cabo and the Shoppes at Palmilla. Executive Chef and Owner Angel Carbajal has earned a reputation as a true culinary artist in his fusing of Japanese techniques with the freshest local seafood and Mexican accents. Nik San features a sleek, modern décor, a very friendly staff and offers fun, exciting dining in an atmosphere that makes for a very memorable experience. Its Palmilla location is one of the few places with a view of both the Sea of Cortez and the golf course at Palmilla.

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## El Matador

This themed restaurant has a unique location in a converted house owned by chef-bullfighter Pablo Velez. The first thing you notice here is the décor, with murals and paintings of bullfights adorning the walls and a sparkling torero's suit in a display case. As passionate as Velez is about bullfighting, he is just as serious about his kitchen, which turns out a menu of classic Mediterranean and Mexican dishes including scaloppini alla Marsala, jumbo prawns in sumptuous tequila and Kahlua sauce, a classic rack of lamb with herbs and mint and the succulent filet mignon with chipotle sauce. Dining is available indoors in the semi-private loft or on the patio under the stars.

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*By Michael Aviani*

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Now there are dozens of traffic signals and there are many franchises such as McDonald's, Burger King, Domino's Pizza, Subway, Costco, Home Depot, Office Depot and many car dealerships like Ford, Honda, Mercedes Benz, Toyota, Hummer & Cadillac

have also been built.

There are several world class golf courses with famous named designers such as Jack Nicklaus, Tom Fazio, Tom Weiskopf, Greg Norman and several others.

There is also a new marina on line in San José that includes a surrounding development with 2 more golf courses and several residential developments that will have hundreds of multimillion dollar homes.

I would suggest to anybody that is interested in investing in Los Cabos Real Estate to take their time and be very selective as to what & where they buy.

There are so many projects coming on line that there will be an incredible selection in condos, homes and residential building lots. Keep in mind that the newer developments could have construction taking place in and around them for the next 5-10 years.

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When buying Real Estate in Los Cabos

*By Jonathan Pikoff*

Buying Real Estate in Los Cabos can be an exciting experience and lead to years of enjoyment. During my 22 years of living and working in Mexico, I have seen hundreds of real estate transactions and I want to share a few ideas with you.

**1** Buying Presales. A presale is when the home you are purchasing has not yet been built by the developer. The Model home looks great, the drawings of the development look good and a lot of dirt is being moved. The pricing frequently is more attractive, but beware the builder may be constructing your house with your money. In such case, the success of the development may depend on future sales. If the developer has an underlying mortgage on the property for development funds or other creditors, your investment may be in serious jeopardy. Be sure to conduct a thorough due diligence and to the extent possible, hold back some funds until you receive title through the real estate closing process.

**2** Third Party Escrow and Title Insurance Exist. A typical real estate transaction involves two steps. The first step is a private contract between seller and purchaser agreeing to the terms of the transaction. The second step is the execution of the transfer of real estate at the notary public's office. The private contract typically requires an initial earnest money deposit. Do not deliver the earnest money deposit to the seller. If there is a disagreement during the closing process, it is hard to recover the money from someone's personal bank account. Companies like Stewart Title and Fidelity National provide third party escrow and can hold the



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**3** Declare the Full Value in Your Deed. After the fact, I have seen too many transactions where the seller convinces the purchaser to list an amount less than the full purchase price in the deed. The innocent purchaser is told his closing costs will be lower since the registered value of the property will be lower than full value, so it sounds enticing. The problem arises down the road when the purchaser sells the property. The Mexican income tax is calculated based on the value listed in the deed. As a result, the purchaser may be stuck with a larger Mexican income tax bill at the time of resale.

**4** Not All Real Estate Agents Are The Same. The occupation of a Real Estate agent does not require a license. Real estate brokers in Los Cabos have organized themselves in part to elevate the education and ethics of the real estate professional. Look for a broker who is a member of AMPI. Consider asking for referrals.

**5** Not All Real Estate Attorneys Are The Same. I have seen legal mistakes over my two decades in Mexico, but I have not seen a lawyer or the notary public held responsible for the mistake. Be sure to ask for references. The choice of a qualified attorney can make the closing process smoother and save you money both in the closing and in the future ■

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Satellite TV  
Shade Structure  
Stereo  
Swimming Pool  
(Outdoor)  
View  
Washer and Dryer  
Wet Bar  
Wireless Internet

### **Sleeping Accommodations**

8 bedrooms  
5 King Suites | 2 Queens  
Apartment w/King size  
bed+kitchen  
Queen Suite

### **Additional Info**

Maximum number of guests: 16  
Interior square footage: 10500  
Exterior square footage: 5000  
Total square footage: 15500





## Villa Estero

This beautiful 5 bedroom villa with pool & spa sits on 3/4 of an acre right on the beach in the Fundadores section of Puerto Los Cabos. Two of the master suites open up to the spectacular pool area with outdoor bar & BBQ. An eclectic fusion of colonial Mexican and Tuscan architecture, this magnificent beach front villa features not only a stunning design, but is also steps away from the golden sand and azure surf of Los Cabos famous East Cape.

For those who love to entertain, Estero features a large gourmet kitchen complete with high end stainless steel appliances, granite counter tops and rich cabinetry, adjacent

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### **Amenities**

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Fire Pit  
Gas BBQ  
Gourmet Kitchen  
Granite/Marble  
Counter tops  
Jacuzzi (outdoor)  
Satellite TV  
Shade Structure  
Stereo  
Swimming Pool  
(Outdoor)  
View  
Vonage Phone  
Wireless Internet

### **Sleeping Accommodations**

5 bedrooms.  
4 King Suites  
1 Queen Suite

living and dining rooms include wrap-around ropes, chaise lounges and a massive hardwood dining table for twelve.

The resort style outdoor living at Estero also includes a palapa shade covering the large outdoor grilling and dining area. Infinity -style Jacuzzi seemingly floats within the pool distinguished by its six big bubbling jets.

### **Additional Info**

Maximum number of guests: 10  
Interior square footage: 4,500



## Casa Buena Vida

Completed in early 2001, Casa Buena Vida totals over 17,000 square feet of indoor & outdoor living space (10,700 indoors and 6,500 feet of outdoor decking). Casa Buena Vida runs on all public utilities but is also self contained and prepared for the occasional hurricane or utility outage with a propane powered generator, 10,000-gallon water storage and 5,000 Liter propane tank. All equipment necessary to run the property is located away from visual sight in over 1,100 square feet of well placed enclosed equipment rooms.

While the house was designed with a high regard for function, luxury was not ignored with six of the nine bedrooms (3 on the upper level and 3 on the lower level) built to master suite standards. The seventh bedroom is located

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### **Sleeping Accommodations**

- 1 King Suite (fireplace, jacuzzi)
- 9 King Suites
- 1 Guest Room

### **AMENITIES**

- Air Conditioning
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- Fire Pit
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(Master Bedroom and Living Room)
- Gas BBQ
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on the main level and currently co-exists as a private office. The last two bedrooms share their own private kitchen, living room, dining room and laundry room and is ideal for guests with small children. This ultra private family quarters is nick-named “Casita Pescado”. The entire house has marble floors both indoors and outdoors. Every bedroom has a TV with satellite reception, air-conditioning and it’s own uniquely decorated theme.



### **Additional Info**

- Maximum number of guests: 21
- Total square footage: 17,000

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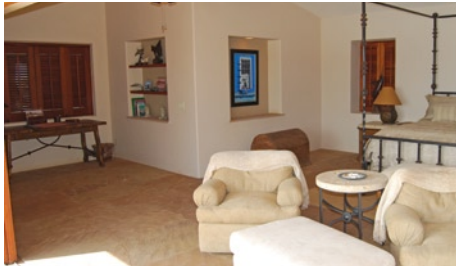
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## Villa Cielito

Villa Cielito is an 8 bedroom beach front villa located right on the beach in Chileno Bay.

This awesome property was built back in the 1970's and has the old time feel of the way Los Cabos used to be with views of the famous Hotel Cabo San Lucas



### AMENITIES

Air Conditioning  
Beachfront Location  
CD Player  
Ceiling Fans  
DVD Player  
Gas BBQ  
Gourmet Kitchen  
Granite/Marble Countertops  
Internet  
Jacuzzi (outdoor)  
Ocean Front  
Satellite TV  
Swimming Pool (Outdoor)  
Washer and Dryer

### Sleeping Accommodations

7 King Suites  
1 Apartment with KS and kitchen



### Additional Info

Maximum number of guests: 16  
Total square footage: 15,000



## Villa La Roca

Villa La Roca is one of the region's most premier estates nestled within the prestigious Pedregal development of Cabo San Lucas... An architectural marvel, this magnificent 15,000 sq.ft. Mediterranean-inspired villa is built into a secluded cliffside and offers sweeping views of Lands' End, Lover's Beach and the Pacific Ocean. Villa la Roca offers a gourmet kitchen, 7 bedrooms, an executive office suite, removed domestic living quarters, an expansive patio cabana with outdoor appliances and infinity pool stretching to the Pacific. Other features include private terraces on each level, a multiple car garage, separate business conference center with kitchen and bath facilities, a large in-home fitness center complete with sauna and steam. Exquisite interiors feature iron staircases, travertine flooring, multiple



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foot ceilings, marble, classic Mexican tile, granite, high-end appliances and state-of-the-art electronics throughout.

This luxuriously elegant 15,000 sq. ft. 4 level Villa sits on top of a cliff in the prestigious Pedregal Development overlooking the Pacific Ocean, Lands End and parts of the Cabo San Lucas Marina and the Sea of Cortez.

### **Sleeping Accommodations**

6 King Suite (adjoining bathroom)

2 Twin Suites

### **AMENITIES**

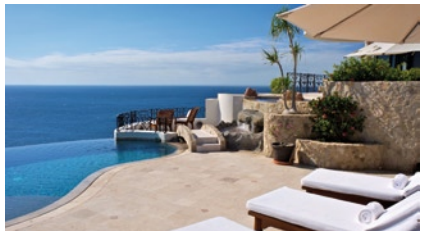
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Gourmet Kitchen  
Jacuzzi (outdoor)  
Ocean Front  
Ocean View  
Pool Bar  
Satellite TV  
Stereo  
Swimming Pool (Outdoor) (Infinity)  
View (Secluded cliffside view of Lands End)  
Washer and Dryer  
Wireless Internet



### **Additional Info**

Interior square footage: 12,000

Total square footage: 15,000





## Villa Tokase

Villa Tokase could easily be on the Top Ten List of Los Cabos Properties. Awesome Architecture combined with the finest finishes make this villa a dream come true for those who want nothing but the best life has to offer.

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### **AMENITIES**

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Vonage Phone  
Washer and Dryer



### **Sleeping Accommodations**

King Suite (adjoining bathroom )  
King Suite (adjoining bathroom with large sunken tub)  
Queen Suite (adjoining bathroom )  
Queen Suite (adjoining bathroom )



### **Additional Info**

Maximum number of guests: 8  
Total square footage: 10,000



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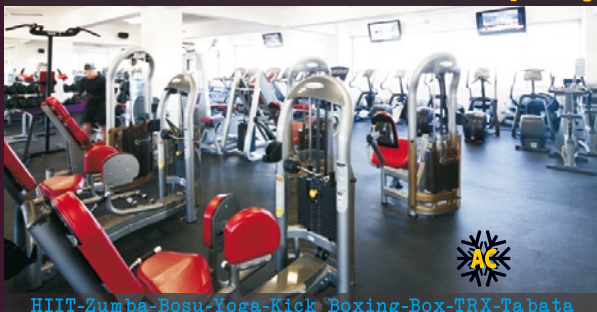
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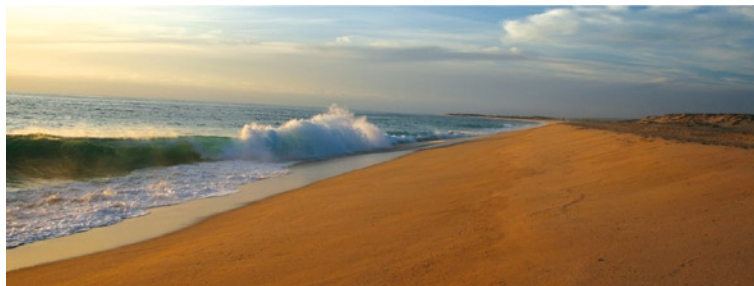
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Besides its authentic colonial architecture and cobblestone streets, this picturesque gem of Mexico enjoys pure air, a pristine ocean and the best climate in North America, with temperatures averaging 75-85 degrees year round.

Many of the original brick buildings are being transformed into hotels, art galleries, fine shops and gourmet restaurants. At the hub is the colorful and legendary Hotel California.

In 2006, Todos Santos, meaning "All Saints," was officially designated a Pueblo Magico (Magic Town) by the Mexican Tourism Secretary. This program was founded in 2001 to enhance towns considered historically significant by funding their preservation and restoration.

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Composer, percussionist, flute player and lecturer, Zepeda created a revolution in the music of his country by opening a whole new chapter in the history of Mexican music, rediscovering, recovering and diffusing the use of ancient pre-Columbian instruments from Mesoamerica on a massive scale.

His solo concerts are charged with a ritual ambience in which he is guided by the sound of his instruments. He becomes a link between the world of the spirits and the plane of the sensitive listener, creating an endless flow of rhythmical weavings and mystical abstractions. Through





improvisatory passages, he renews a dimension of almost forgotten sensations.

Antonio Zepeda was born in 1946, and with a musical career of over forty years, he has officially represented Mexico in more than twenty countries in Europe, Africa, America and Asia. The British Museum, the Smithsonian Institute, The Library of Congress, the Philharmonic Hall of Berlin, the National Theatre of Namibia, The National Museum of Anthropology and the Main Square of Mexico City are some of the prestigious venues where he has performed. He also participated in the First Summit of the Presidents of Iberoamerica, and in important festivals such as Europalia '93, The Cervantino International Festival, the London City Festival, New Music America, Amsterdam Roots Meeting, Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival, Expo Lisboa'98 and the Grec Festival of Barcelona.

He has created the music for numerous documentary and feature length films, dance choreographies, theatre pieces, museum exhibits,

***“There is more than a little ritual and magic to what he does. He could simply blow one of his whistles, or beat one of his rich-toned drums, and produce an interesting musical experience. He is a performer in risk of being upstaged by his instruments... Happily enough, he is a superb musician.”***

***Robert Palmer / The New York Times.***

Light and Sound shows and macro events in archaeological sites. He has also recorded special programs for the BBC of London, Radio France, WDR of Germany, CBC of Canada and NHK of Japan, among other important broadcasting corporations.

His most recent work includes the music for the trailers of the feature film “Bridge to Terabithia”, as well as the additional music and trailers for the feature film “Apocalypse” of Mel Gibson.

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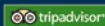
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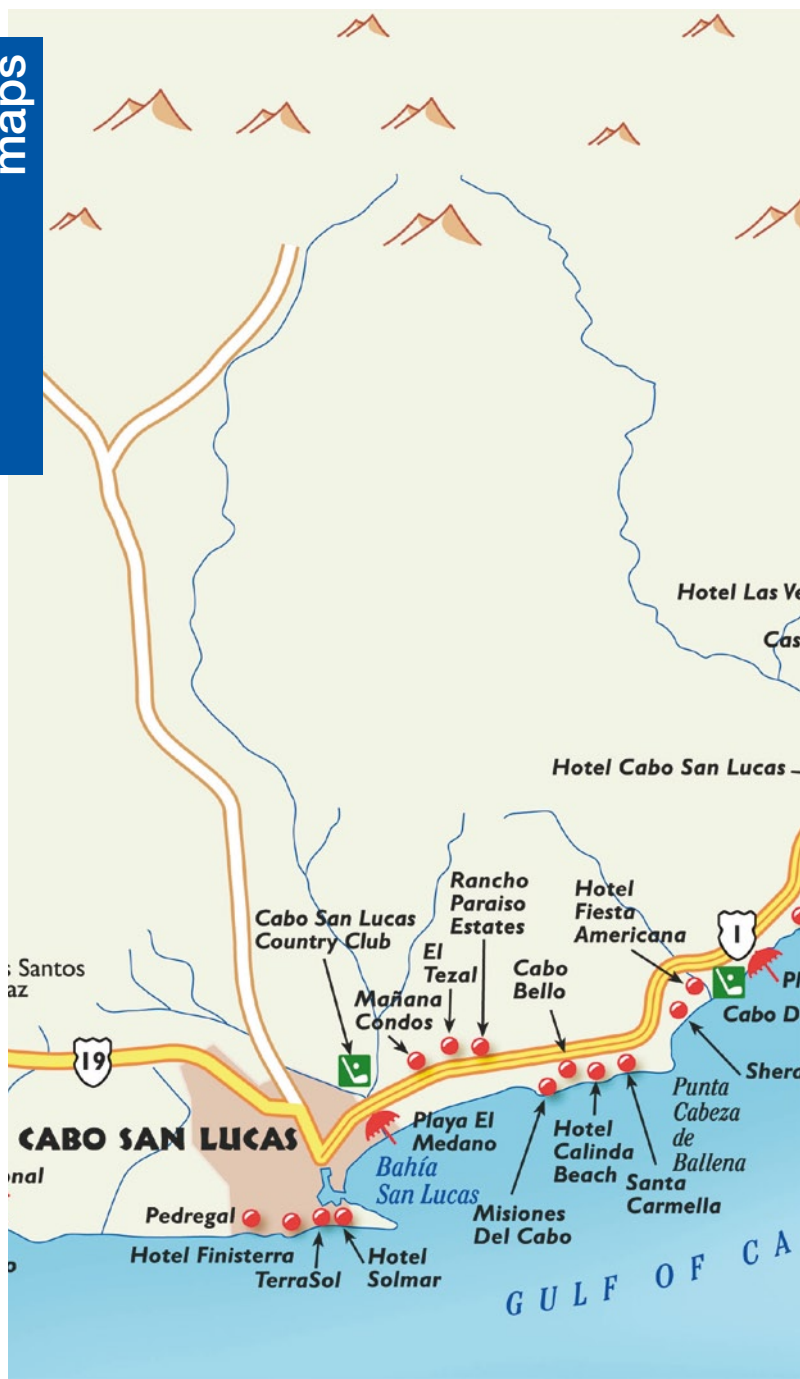


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