



Whale Shark & Yucatan Adventure

8 days / 7 Nights

Departs from: KBRO in Brownsville, TX. on Saturday, June 20, 2015

Returns to: KBRO in Brownsville, TX. on Saturday, June 27, 2015

Overview

During the summer months whale sharks congregate by the hundreds off the coast of the quaint Island of Holbox, the northernmost point of the Yucatan Peninsula, where the Gulf of Mexico meets the Caribbean Sea. Join us on this adventure where you snorkel alongside Whale Sharks, the largest species of fish living in the ocean today. Our adventure begins by flying south along the coast of the Gulf of Mexico. On the way to our whale shark encounter, we will stop at two colonial cities: Veracruz and Campeche, where we will have the chance to take a peek into Mexico's rich traditions and historic past.

While in Campeche, we will tour the fascinating archeological site of Edzna. Upon reaching the wildlife sanctuary of Holbox, there will be time to unwind and to experience quaint island life, nature and adventure. Venturing out with local fishermen, you will be able to swim and snorkel alongside these docile and magnificent creatures in their natural habitat and experience the thrill of a lifetime! Dolphin and manta sightings, as well as encounters with an abundance of other wildlife, are all part of this adventure.

Our route will take us along the coast of Mexico offering a spectacular view of miles of Gulf Coast beaches. Our port of entry will be the historic port city of Veracruz. The runway of the Holbox Island airport is 2,100 feet by 46 feet and is made of compacted limestone. For those pilots who would prefer not to land at the Holbox Island airport, we offer optional ground or air transportation (for an additional fee) from the Cancun International Airport to Holbox Island. Those participants who prefer to use the alternative transportation will leave their aircraft at the Cancun International Airport during their stay on Holbox.

Navigation Information



Routes	
Brownsville to Veracruz	440 NM
Veracruz to Campeche	383 NM
Campeche to Holbox Island	248 NM
Holbox Island to Campeche	132 NM
Campeche to Veracruz	465 NM
Veracruz to Brownsville	440 NM
Total distance:	2,108 NM
Longest leg:	465 NM

Airports of landing	ICAO Identifier	Runway length
Brownsville	KBRO	7,400 FT
Veracruz	MMVR	7,874 FT
Campeche	MMCP	8,202 FT
Cancun	MMUN	11,483 FT
Holbox Island		2,100 FT (Dirt)

Itinerary

Day 1, Saturday, June 20

Leave from Brownsville, TX to Veracruz International Airport. Refuel, clear customs and immigration, process entry permits. We will use a handler to expedite the entry process. Transfer to hotel and check in. If time allows we recommend taking a trolley tour of the historic area of Veracruz. Dinner will be at hotel. Pre-flight briefing for flight to Campeche.



Whale Shark & Yucatan Adventure

Day 2 Sunday, June 21

After breakfast and check out, we transfer to the Veracruz airport and fly to Campeche. Refuel upon arrival and transfer to our hotel in Campeche. Lunch will be on your own. We recommend taking a stroll through the streets of this unique colonial city, take the city trolley tour in the afternoon or visit the bastions and forts that surround the walled city. Meet before dinner at hotel lobby and head out together to experience the fine regional cuisine at one of Campeche's local restaurants.



Day 3 Monday, June 22

Explore the area surrounding the city of Campeche. After breakfast we depart for the day trip and guided tour of the Mayan archaeological site of Edzna followed by a lunch to savor the local gastronomy. Reconvene before dinner to review the flight to Holbox for the next day. Dinner is on your own so that you have a chance to explore the city of Campeche by night.



Day 4 Tuesday, June 23

Early departure for Holbox island via the coastline to enjoy a bird's eye view of the Natural Biosphere Reserves of Los Petenes, Celestun and Ria Lagartos, and along the Esmeralda Coast to Holbox. Those participants who prefer not to land at the Holbox Island Airport can land at the Cancun International Airport. We will arrange the ground or air transportation from Cancun to Holbox Island (for an additional fee). Upon arriving in Holbox, transfer to the hotel, check in and relax the rest of the afternoon, or explore the island on your own and reconvene at hotel for dinner.



Day 5 Wednesday, June 24

The highlight of the trip! Get up early to embark on the whale shark adventure. Sandwiches, fruit and soft drinks will be available during the tour. We will return to the island in the afternoon and meet for dinner in the evening.



Day 6 Thursday, June 25

Explore the island on your own. Rent a golf cart, take a stroll on the mile long beach or just relax at the hotel. An optional half day tour to a fresh water spring and Isla Pajaros (translated: Bird Island) will be available in the morning. We will regroup before dinner at the hotel for the pre-flight briefing followed by a farewell dinner.



Whale Shark & Yucatan Adventure

Day 7 Friday, June 26

We will depart from the hotel in the morning heading to Veracruz via a fuel stop in Campeche. Participants that left their aircraft in Cancun will need to leave early in the morning. Upon arrival in Veracruz we will refuel and transfer to the hotel. We will have a pre-flight briefing and dinner at the hotel.



Day 8 Saturday, June 27

Transfer to Veracruz International Airport and return to Brownsville, Texas.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Ph: 786 206 6147

info@cstflightservices.com

<https://www.cstflightservices.com/>