

## Guatemala Family Getaway

Day 1. Welcome to Guatemala & Transfer a la Antigua  
Day 2. Antigua half day tour & Peanut Butter workshop  
Day 3. Pacaya Volcano Hike & Horseback riding  
Day 4. Chocolate Workshop & Transfer to Lake Atitlan  
Day 5. Kayak, Tzununa hike & San Juan village tour  
Day 6. Zip line adventure & Afternoon flight to Peten  
Day 7. Tikal Mayan Ruins & Wildlife Encounter  
Day 8. Flight back to Guatemala City & Departure day

### Itinerary Highlights

- Visit Antigua: UNESCO world heritage site
- Peanut butter at a Mayan Home over a firewood stove
- Live volcano hike
- Horseback riding at a real coffee farm
- Kayak at an altitude lake
- Live Mayan culture encounter
- Zip line adventure in the middle of the jungle
- Visit Tikal archaeological site



**Day 1. Welcome to Guatemala & Transfer a la Antigua** - Antigua is among the world's best conserved colonial cities in the Americas and UNESCO site. It is a magic and captivating small town that makes you feel as if time might have stopped 300 years ago. From its colonial architecture to its beautiful surroundings; strolling through town on the cobblestone streets, you will experience the splendors of ancient times! Kids will love the brightly colored colonial buildings and will marvel at the steaming volcanoes in the distance.

#### In brief

- Meet & Greet
- Transfer to Antigua
- Overnight at hotel in Antigua

A Maya Trails representative will meet at the airport for your transfer to your hotel in Antigua. (-,-,-)

**Day 2. Antigua half day walking tour & Peanut Butter Workshop** - Discover the secrets of Antigua's traditional history and art. Admire the colonial architecture of the XVI century churches, buildings, fine arts, terra-cotta ceramics, wooden sculptures and a great variety of traditional weavings

#### In brief

- Breakfast at hotel
- Antigua walking tour
- Lunch (included)
- Peanut butter workshop
- Overnight at hotel in Antigua

After breakfast enjoy a guided walking tour of Antigua. You will visit breath taking colonial monuments and find out why this city was the bustling center of the region for the Spaniards. After lunch, you'll be transferred to San Miguel Escobar town. On arrival, Lilian and Lidia, two local peanut farmers, will teach you how to make peanut butter from scratch. Enjoy a delicious homemade tortilla with your own hand made peanut butter. (B,L,-)

**Day 3. Pacaya Volcano Hike & Horseback Riding** - Pacaya is one of the most active volcanoes among Guatemala's 33 volcanoes. Sitting 2,500mt above the sea level, Pacaya is one of the youngest volcanoes with beautiful views toward the Pacific Coast and three other volcanoes nearby (Agua, Acatenango and Fuego).





## In brief

- Breakfast at hotel
- Transfer to volcano
- Pacaya volcano hike
- Picnic lunch
- Transfer to Antigua
- Horseback Riding
- Overnight at hotel in Antigua

After breakfast, your guide will meet you at the lobby of your hotel for your transfer to the volcano. It takes around 2.5hrs to get to the summit. Once on top, you'll be able to enjoy a wonderful picnic lunch & fresh made s'mores with marshmallows roasted over hot vents in the rocks! Kids will love the adventure of making this treat! After the trek, you'll be transferred to a coffee hacienda for a 2hr horse back riding through the coffee fields. (**B,L,-**)

**Day 4. Chocolate Workshop & Transfer to Lake Atitlan-** With three stunning volcanoes rising out of its emerald surface, Lake Atitlan is located 144km west of Guatemala City. It is characterized by its natural beauty surrounded by gorgeous views of the volcanoes and indigenous villages filled with culture. The famous writer Aldous Huxley considered it "the most beautiful lake in the world".

## In brief

- Breakfast at hotel
- Chocolate workshop
- Transfer to Lake Atitlan
- Overnight at hotel in Lake Atitlan

After breakfast, learn hands on about cocoa seed through a personalized workshop where you will be able to work with the kernel, brew it, toast it and grind it to elaborate chocolates as we know them. Make your own chocolate creations and one hour later, you'll be able to enjoy them! After the chocolate tour, you'll be transferred to Lake Atitlan (**B,-,-**)

**Day 5. Kayak, Tzununa Hike & San Juan Village tour-** Tzununa is a small village located on the north shore of Lake Atitlan. The trek uphill and back to Santa Cruz la Laguna has no true road access, so you will be hiking along ancient paths that have been used by the Kaqchikel Mayans for centuries. While trekking you'll be able to watch beautiful views of the lake. The word Tzununa means "Land of the sparrows".



**In brief**

- Breakfast at hotel
- Boat transfer to Santa Cruz
- Kayak and hiking tour
- Lunch (included)
- Village tour
- Boat transfer to hotel
- Overnight at hotel in Lake Atitlan

After breakfast your guide will take you on a private boat to pick up the kayaks and gear for your padding on the lake. Enjoy an easy 45 minute – 1-hour kayak tour along the shores of Lake Atitlan, paddling past small indigenous villages, local Mayan fisherman and rugged cliffs with exotic plants and birdlife. We arrive at the small village of Tzununa and then embark on an easy hike along footpaths used by the local people, with stunning views of the volcanoes surrounding the lake.

After lunch, you will travel by boat to San Juan la Laguna, a traditional indigenous village on Lake Atitlan where we'll learn about the weaving traditions of the Maya at a women's textile co-op. After exploring San Juan, the boat will take you back to the hotel in the village of Panajachel. **(B,L,-)**

**Day 6. Zip line adventure & Afternoon flight to Peten-** The valley were the San Buenaventura natural reserve is located has suffered tremendous transformations over the years. It started as a coffee plantation in the 1,700s and by 1,997 it opens as a natural preserve and visitor center. This amazing natural preserve it's close to 35 acres of land, including areas of old oak forest and old shade coffee grove.

**In brief**

- Breakfast at hotel
- Transfer to Atitlan Natural Reserve
- Zip line adventure
- Transfer to Guatemala City's airport
- Afternoon local flight to Peten
- Transfer to hotel
- Overnight at hotel in Peten



After breakfast, your guide and driver will transfer you to the Atitlan Reserve. On arrival, you'll start your zip line and trekking adventure through the forest. Fly through and be amazed by the wonderful views of the lake. After the zip line, you'll be transferred to Guatemala City's airport for your local flight to Peten. On arrival, transfer to hotel. (B,--,--)

**Day 7. Tikal Mayan Ruins Adventure-** Tikal was one of the grandest and most important cities in the Mayan Civilization. Today this ancient metropolis sits in ruins, its massive temples, palaces and ceremonial complexes devoured by the jungle. Declared a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1,979, Tikal is Guatemala's most famous cultural and natural preserve. Kids can explore this archeological jungle gym as if they were Indiana Jones, climbing up and over structures all the while howling along with the calls of the howler monkeys in jungle canopy above!

#### In brief

- Breakfast at hotel
- Transfer to Tikal National Park
- Tikal Tour
- Lunch (included)
- Transfer to hotel
- Overnight at hotel in Peten

After breakfast you will meet by your guide at the lobby of your hotel and transfer you to Tikal National Park for your expert visit. He, will show you the layout of the temples, architecture, history, some theories of why the Mayans disappeared and if you are lucky a few monkeys, parrots, macaws and toucans will be on site. After the tour, enjoy lunch at a restaurant in the middle of the jungle. After lunch, you will be transferred back to your hotel. (B,L,--)

**Day 8. Flight back to Guatemala City & Departure day-** After breakfast, your driver will transfer you to the airport for your local flight back to Guatemala City. (B,--,--)

#### In brief

- Breakfast at hotel
- Transfer to airport
- Flight back to Guatemala City



#### END OF SERVICES

Included	Not included
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Private transfers</li> <li>• Hotel accommodations</li> <li>• Hotel tax</li> <li>• RT Flight GUA-FRS-GUA</li> <li>• Entrance fee to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Antigua half day tour: La Merced, San Francisco &amp; The Cathedral</li> <li>○ Peanut butter workshop</li> <li>○ Pacaya volcano</li> <li>○ Chocolate workshop</li> <li>○ Horseback riding</li> <li>○ Zip line</li> <li>○ Tikal tour</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Meals as described <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Daily American breakfast</li> <li>○ Picnic lunch at Volcano trek</li> <li>○ Lunch at local venue for Antigua tour, Kayak tour &amp; Tikal tour</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gratuities for guides and drivers</li> <li>• Gratuities for porters and housekeeping at hotels</li> <li>• Personal travel insurance</li> <li>• Personal expenses</li> <li>• Alcoholic beverages</li> <li>• Meals not mentioned in itinerary</li> <li>• Activities not mentioned in itinerary</li> </ul>