

MEXICO TRIP DEC 2007

28 Nov Wednesday 2007 815 am taxi driver smart mouth didn't like my suggestions as to way to airport. Sharon B and R passports wouldn't scan at Delta kiosk. Gate was changed 3 times. Flight uneventful arrived 430 local (2 hour time change) Car is a white 4 door jeep Wrangler very cheaply made. Got to Guanajuato and couldn't find hotel. Surface streets (3) go east to west and tunnels go west to east. Picked up Augustine, no English to guide us to parking lots and then carried luggage to Hotel Luna on plaza. Parking was 10p/ hr. hotel was 846 P Lots of activity on El Jardin de Union right outside hotel. 3 bands playing at once.

29 Nov Thurs 0830 breakfast at hotel. Augustine guided(mine museum, inquisition mus, museum of legends) lunch at his restaurant, ripped off. Paid 350p for tour. Walked around town. Hiked up to statue on hill, ate dinner east of plaza, good.

30 Nov Friday breakfast at hotel. Got car from parking. Drove to Leon, Aguascalientas, Zacatecas. Sharon and Sharon got hotel on Hidalgo, noisy with students up until 0130. 500p. Ate dinner at Italian place. Parked car in lots 1/3 mile up hill. Lots of activity on street. City Christmas tree lighting celebration.

1 December Saturday Clear. Ate at gordino place next to hotel. Moved to hotel on Juarez, 1 Hotel Meson de la Merced. Big rooms, glasses in room, quiet, internet access. Parking in basement. 653P. Walked to Cable car (teleferico) to Bufa. Got guide. Lots of 1911 history. Back across gulch then to Eden Mine. Walked back to hotel. Walked to bull ring hotel(Quinta Real). Then to Acropolis café, just ok food.

2 december Sunday clear, quiet last night. Breakfast at hotel.100k east of Zacatecas, motor stopped. Couldn't reach 1 800 number and local office in Leon wouldn't help. Green angel came by and got thru and tow truck arrived 2 hours later then towed to Chrysler dealer. Replacement car was not there. I walked down street and there was Hertz office. Jim R hiked across freeway and got a replacement car a Jeep Liberty. Had a flat spare tire. Stayed at countryside motel and ate at Argentine steak place.

3 December Monday Cloudy Drove to Pozos (mining town) nice B&B(Posada de las Minas). Ate lunch at B & B Walked around town, went to Dolores Hidagalo, Posada Cocomacan was hotel. Very stark. Dinner next door to hotel. On plaza. Church procession at night.

4 December Tuesday Clear Breakfast at Hotel Drove One hour to San Miguel de Allende to Hotel Guardiania arrived at 945. Walked to town. Ate lunch in museum courtyard. Walked back to Jardin for dinner at Berlin restr. Good food and nice night.

5 December Wednesday clear cont breakfast in room. Went to botanical garden and saw lots of cactuses. Walked around and ate at corner bar.

6 December Thursday breakfast in room. To Tequi(lunch), Bernal, and then to Quantero hotel Amberes \$55. Walked down to plaza and had dinner at outdoor café.

7 December Friday breakfast in hotel. Drove thru towns and ate at Feliz Chicken. Then to airport. Flight home ok and went thru custom and immigration quickly.