

**Please read the following information carefully.**

**\* You will require a current passport to enter and leave Mexico. Make sure your passport does not expire during your stay in Mexico.**

- Before you land in Mexico get a customs form and a Tourist Visa form from your flight attendant.
- The Tourist Visa is a two part form. One part is submitted when you enter Mexico. The second half is submitted when you leave the country. • Keep the second part in your passport for safe keeping as there is a \$42. fine for lost forms.

## **Money**

- We suggest you bring approx. 1,000 pesos (\$100. US) to Mexico with you to cover your expenses for the first few days.
- ATM machines are plentiful but pin numbers must be 4 digits
- There are banks within easy walking distance of the hotels we use
- Travelers checks are not easily cashed in the areas we visit
- Small shops and restaurants do not accept credit cards
- Keep coins (1, 2 and 5 pesos) as they will be required for public washrooms

## **Gratuities (tipping)**

- Although tipping is not mandatory, it is widely accepted in Mexico that many people make a living providing small services for a few pesos in remuneration.
- Baggage handler at the hotels – 10 pesos (\$1.00 US) per piece of luggage
- Taxi driver – a 10% tip is adequate
- Maid in your hotel room – use your own discretion
- Rocamar Tours will cover the tip for all meals provided by Rocamar.

## **What to bring**

- Please limit your luggage to 1 piece
- Casual, comfortable clothing
- Prescription drugs must be in their original containers
- Face cloths are not provided in most Mexican hotels
- Alarm clock with illuminated face (some rooms are very dark at night)
- A reading light if you require one
- Electricity in Mexico is 110 volt, the same as at home
- Sweater or fleece pullover (On portions of the trip it is cool morning and evening)
- Light jacket (windbreaker)
- Sturdy, tie-up walking shoes
- Hat for sun protection
- Sunglasses, sunblock
- A small pack is handy for carrying personal belongings or souvenirs.