

# TRAVEL PLAN & SCHEDULE



## FLIGHT PLAN

Date 12/27/2015	LAX - Houston	
Departure: 10:30 a.m.	Arrival: 3:52 p.m.	UNITED#1603
Date 12/27/2015	Houston - Villahermosa	
Departure: 6:00 p.m.	Arrival: 8:37 p.m.	UNITED#5220
Date 1/6/2016	San Pedro Sula - Houston	
Departure: 12:53 p.m.	Arrival: 3:48 p.m.	UNITED#1488
Date 1/6/2016	Houston - LAX	
Departure: 6:00 p.m.	Arrival: 7:25 p.m.	UNITED#1547

## SCHEDULE

- Sun, Dec. 27: Depart, Overnight Villahermosa
- Mon, Dec. 28: La Venta Park, Olmec Sculpture
- Tues, Dec. 29: Yaxchilan, River Excursion
- Wed, Dec. 30: Bonampak, Ancient Murals
- Thur, Dec 31: Palenque, Maya Architecture
- Fri, Jan. 1: Pamoná, Cross into Guatemala
- Sat, Jan. 2: Tikal, Temple IV Sunrise, All Day Explore
- Sun, Jan. 3: Flores Island, Spanish Conquest
- Mon, Jan. 4: Quirigua, Tallest Maya Stelae
- Tue, Jan. 5: Copan, Gran Acropolis
- Wed, Jan. 6: San Pedro Sula, Return



# MAYA EXCURSION

with

Bruce Love, Ph.D  
Stevie Love, MFA

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OF ART &  
HISTORY

# Maya Jungle Cities

Organized and led by Bruce Love, Ph.D. anthropologist and Stevie Love, artist. Bruce and Stevie Love have 40 years experience traveling in Mexico and Guatemala (their first trip was in 1974, 4-wheel driving with their 2-year-old son, staying for 6 months in Mexico, Belize and Guatemala).

## Activity Itinerary

Sunday Dec. 27, 2015

Departure  
LAX - Houston  
Houston - Villahermosa

Monday Dec. 28

Visit to Olmec Park in Villahermosa, where sculpture from the earliest civilization in Mesoamerica is on display, 1500 years earlier than Classic Maya!. After lunch drive deep into Indian Chiapas to the banks of the mighty Usumacinta, the "Nile" of the Classic Maya. Overnight in Native-owned Escudo Jaguar "Shield Jaguar" named after the great Maya ruler of Yaxchilan. After dinner slide lecture by Dr. Love, introduction to Maya culture and history.



Tuesday Dec. 29, 2015

All-day excursion to Yaxchilan, accessible only by river. No roads in. Travel in motorized launch down the Usumacinta to the jungle city of Yaxchilan; spend the day exploring, with optional jungle trails to the highest reaches of the ancient city, accompanied by antics of spider monkeys and the lion-like roar of howler monkeys. Return to dinner and overnight at Escudo Jaguar.

Wednesday Dec. 30, 2015

Travel to Bonampak, whose murals rocked the academic world when they were discovered by the outside world in the 1950s. Although faded, the murals are still impressive, and the drive into the site is operated by local Lacandon Maya. After Bonampak, travel to Palenque and overnight in jungle cabanas at Hotel Chan-Kah. After dinner lecture



by Dr. Love on Palenque and how the Maya hieroglyphs were deciphered.