#### JANINA'S TRAVEL TIPS + SAN MIGUEL INFORMATION

### **FLIGHT & SHUTTLE INFORMATION**

We usually fly **American** out of **DFW to Leon** (BJX)+/- 2hr flight.

Passport/Gate ticket: Fill out customs forms to declare "nothing"/ 'vacation' stay 5 days in San Miguel/ housing: "prolongacion La Quinta # 28-1"

**Car Travel To San Miguel:** Lovely mountainous winding road 1.5 hour ride with **driver 'Obed'** to Hacienda La Gloria.

Pay Obed (Suburban w luggage for 6 riders) ?\$120-140 & tip ~\$35. US American dollars (pesos ~20 per dollar).

The two of us in 4dr sedan \$85 plus tip \$20-35.

If we fly into **Quretero airport**, driver fees same; 1 hr ride on highway.

# BRINGING PESOS - PESOS EXCHANGE ETC.

**We recommend taking pesos with you**. We contact our bank and take US\$300-500 (6000-10000 pesos) with us, for a 2-4 week stay.

Believe it or not, but during busy times (Sept Independence Month for SMA) the ATM's have run out of pesos. (especially on weekends)

5 day trip \$100-150 (2000-3000 pesos/couple)

Credit/Debit cards GREAT for restaurants/high end shopping.

## **MUST SEE MUSIC EXPERIENCE - ZANDUNGA RANCH**

If you go to Rosewood Sunday Brunch, then this recommendation may be too much...

BUT, we always try to steer our guests to the **ZANDUNGA Ranch Sunday afternoon: Famous Classical Guitarist (Gil Gutierrez)** w/ special guest musicians play from 1pm-4pm, some music for dancing. (Gil has performed w Trumpeter 'Doc Sevrenson') **FULL LUNCH** 

Tacos with beef, goat, lamb, salads, sides, desserts. All You Can Eat! ETOH Drinks-Cash. A full fun afternoon if you sleep in Sunday morning. Only get tickets from Rebecca(his wife) FRI or SAT

Info at: zandunga.business.site

**Pay In Pesos** \$30-40/person to Rebecca at their office/home on Hernandez-Macias.

# **RESTAURANTS**

Will blow you away with ambience, beautiful views, great QUALITY & prices 40-60% of US prices.

When shopping around the large Jardin, go down a side street to Calle Umaran #6... upstairs to the roof top bar for drinks.

Jicama Fries, small shrimp in sauce(lots of shrimp- my favorite), & tacos: La AZOTECA upstairs bar!!!! Great drinks. \*Across the street is a nice Jewelry Store (Daniel's)

Calle Sollano has 3 great Restaurants....

#18(name **Sollano 18**)

#16 **The Restaurant** - Burgers on Thursday, but other days, many great fish & steak entrees.

#14 **La Unica** upstairs, great food, but now has A LOUD DJ with contemporary music upstairs (TOO MUCH for us) If DJ upstairs, eat downstairs... Wonderful Food & Inspiring Presentation: beef & fish...

**Roasted Cauliflower Dessert:** chocolate Mousse in large glass bowl covered w stretched chocolate, then opened with poured hot glaze.

ROSEWOOD HOTEL: <u>Sunday Brunch</u> is over the top! Reserve Seats as soon as you get to town. (1826 Restaurant) Same restaurant for dinner is superb. Rooftop bar for drinks & light supper. All Outstanding!

**Zumo Restaurant** (just ate there end of July) WOW-WOW SUPERB SERVICE. Creative Menu, Great View... met CHEF & told him we'd be back & w friends. Quebrada #93

**LaVanda** - great breakfast/brunch, Lavender Coffee; very popular with the locals & crowded if you don't go early.

**La Ventana** - "The Window" (actually a window) across Sollano #18... Good coffee... we buy packages of ground coffee for SMA & pack some to bring home.

**Denvers** - Delivery to your home. Homemade Italian: Bruchetta, Eggplant Parmesan, Salads.

Garufa - Canal Street. Argentinian beef, grilled veggies, salad.

**Santa Monica** - on south edge /of Parque Juarez. Inside courtyard: Quiet, quaint - lunch & dinner.

**La Posadita** - on Cuna de Allende. Rooftop View, great Mex/ Latin food.

Some Restaurants don't open 'til 11:30 or even 1:00pm. Good idea to Google, check times, menu, address.

# **GROCERIES**

**Mercado Sano** - Small organic market for cheeses, ice cream, soups, fruits, vegetables...

**La Comer (Mega)** - intersection Hwy 111 & 51 Salina y Celaya: grande supermarket, wines, liquor, beer, foods, groceries, **Pharmacy**... very clean, helpful staff.

**Guadalajara Pharmacy** - buy most meds & Rx meds 'over the counter'.

Ancha de SanAntonio 13 (near Paprikas) north end of El Centro. 2nd Rx near Liverpool(large dept store) Hwy 111.