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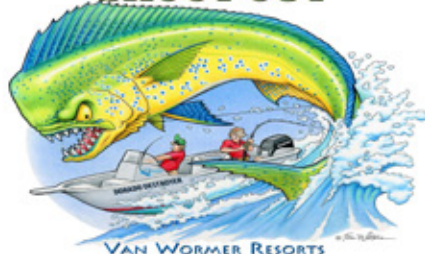
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Fifty Three Years ago the Vagabundos del Mar Boat and Travel Club was founded on the principle of buddy boating - 29 people in 13 small trailer boats cruising from Bahia Kino across the Sea of Cortez in 1966. The Club has evolved into a non-profit organization of more than 10,000 Members and still fosters the buddy philosophy. Members are very independent individuals with a strong sense of adventure who not only explore on their own, but who have come together with like minds to experience the safety, special camaraderie and fun of sharing those adventures when traveling with buddies with similar interests, especially in Mexico and in Baja California. Many times new buddies become life-long friends and travel companions. Today with the internet, our popular Travel Buddies Calendar gives a new way of finding a buddy. We are reminded that some Members today may not know of our Founders, and we are repeating here some of what has been written in the past. We are grateful to our Commodore Eternal Ray Cannon, and President Emeritus, Chet Sherman, for introducing us to Baja and the Sea of Cortez and bringing us together. Chet used to say this was a hobby he started in his garage "that just got out of hand". He had the special talent of "organizing the unorganizable" and was a Pied Piper. He started writing our publication, *Chubasco*, Spanish for big wind. The dedication and hard work of the Club's previous and present Officers and Directors and many volunteer Members have made the Club what it is today.

Through the years the Club has donated thousands of dollars to worthwhile conservation and other causes in the Western U.S. and Mexico; and organized many activities and trips by boat and RV that ventured all over Mainland Mexico, including the Yucatan and through the Copper Canyon, Baja California, Bahamas, Canada, Alaska and locations in between. Other memorable trips by air travel were made to the Caribbean and Guatemala, and there are other great adventures planned. We will be running recounts of these and would love to include your special adventure to share with Members. If you have trip photos, or older or newer fish photos, send those in too. Many of us gather on the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta once a year at the Annual Crab Feed Event to reminisce over these

and other past adventures and plan new ones. Ray Cannon expressed his love for small boat cruising in a previously unpublished essay that is included in Gene Kira's book, *The Unforgettable Sea of Cortez*. As we reflect over the past Half Century, this expresses the founding Credo for the adventurous band of small boaters that formed the Club. This essay follows:

"To the young in spirit, no matter the years, to those with an inner ache to thrill once again with wild and true adventure, or who long to capture the storybook romance of cruising out in search of hidden treasure on an island, to explore painted caves for Indian artifacts, and like a primitive, live off the fat of the land and waters, for all this and more, I say 'go down to the sea in little ships.'"

"Go for a voyage searching among the baylets, coves and lagoons."

"Go ashore, build a camp and spend a night in the wilds and hear the plaintive mating calls of creatures of the wilderness, the yowls and caterwauls of coyotes and cats challenging for your food, the thunderous gurgles of snoring whales making bedfellows of your boats, and the courting cries of the nocturnal birds and katydids, all accompanied with the background music of little waves breaking on the beach and the even more gentle winds."

"Sleep, and breathe deeply of the primeval and tangy perfume wafted down on the balmy night breeze from blossoms of the wild hillside chaparral."

"Wake up by the chuckles of sea fowls announcing the dawn, to swim in warm, clear water or dive into strange and beautiful marine gardens of flowering animals, succulent sea foods and rare sea shells."

"There are thousands of things to do, never before done by modern man in these vast and uninhabited places that once supported tens of thousands of Indians. You can cast for fish where no angler has dropped a hook, or cruise out to troll or bottom fish, with complete assurance of success. You can sail on to new areas, each seeming more inspiring than the last."

"Although this Sea is vast, its smooth surface, almost waveless beaches, bizarre islands, baroque shorelines and its wilderness character and

abundant sea life make it ideal as a small craft wonder water world. Not only for those who still cherish that precious inner spark for adventure, but for all of all ages who wish to rekindle it.”

“After spending half a lifetime in search of adventure in many of the remote places of the earth, I can now say with all truth, that small boat cruising in the Cortez provides the most exciting, most pleasurable, and most satisfying method of fulfilling that craving to experience the strange and unique in nature in the raw”.

“But I learned the hard way that these voyages can be enjoyed to the fullest only when they are well planned and carefully executed, and there are no shortcuts to thoroughness.”

“The Sea of Cortez is no place for the thoughtless. Beautiful, calm mornings may bewitch the careless outboarder to disaster; running down a favorable tide or breeze may speed him beyond the range of his fuel supply; a lack of knowledge of weather reports and seasonal storm conditions can prove hazardous.”

Ray Cannon’s *Sea of Cortez* book lured many to the Vagabundo lifestyle. Ray left us in 1977 and Chet Sherman, a Pied Piper and Adventurer in his own right, formulated the Club in ensuing years. Chet was the first President for 30 years until he left us in 1996. Chet expanded horizons and drew near to him those he chose to carry on his legacy who were of like mind. Many of us who have driven Baja 1 over numerous years and cruised the waters of the Sea of Cortez, know first-hand the advice back then to be prepared is still true. Chet preached about “shake-down” cruises and practice runs to “Baja bomb test” your boat, trailer and rig before hitting the road. Though there are many modern marinas today with fuel much more available, it still pays to be informed, watchful and well supplied. Baja 1 has been improved from the days when trailer boats were towed through innumerable big potholes and rough roads and launched over the sand on portable wire mesh tracks, but the road in some areas is still narrow with no shoulders. It’s stories of survival from broken trailer tongues or wheels rolling off into the desert, axles breaking, being stuck in the sand and the like when we used to say, ‘this is where

we separate the men from the boys.’ That came to mind other times on launching the boat from the trailer into the surf and hoping the engine would start; or at anchor watch in a storm at night in the rollers when wind direction changed in a Chubasco, hoping one of two anchors out would hold and you wouldn’t wind up on the rocks. It takes a certain resourcefulness to work out of a situation or predicament that just seems to happen when you are in remote parts on an adventure. With buddies to help who carry spare parts or to crank a wrench or change a hose, and then at the end of the day to retell and share the experience, it makes all the difference. The Club’s Mission still is -- **“To help Members travel safely, economically and enjoyably in all of North America, especially Baja California.”**

WHAT WE’RE ALL ABOUT

Assisting Members to Travel Safely in Mexico

The REAL Baja experts for more than 53 years Non-Profit Vagabundos del Mar is the Go-To place for reliable all Mexico Travel Insurance at the Lowest Prices. Pioneers in Mexico Tourism who understand firsthand the needs of travelers on the road and water. We process documents for tourist travel.

Vagabundos has tailored special policies at lower rates for Members based on our low loss ratio. As pioneers in the field decades ago, Vagabundos has for years provided affordable insurance so Members could stay longer in Mexico. Mexico only recognizes liability underwritten by a Mexican company. Liability insurance is required to operate a vehicle on Mexican roads. Bond and legal assistance is included with all policies.

Everyone’s situation is different, and it is important to choose the correct insurance policy for your needs.

LIABILITY ONLY POLICY - Our liability only policy covers civil liability, legal aid and medical expenses for occupants. You can choose \$300,000 or \$500,000 in civil liability.

STANDARD FULL COVERAGE - Physical Damage, Total Theft, Percentage Deductibles, Cost of Repair, \$300,000 Civil Liability, Medical Expenses for Occupants and Travel Aid.

PREMIER FULL COVERAGE - Physical Damage, Theft, Vandalism, Partial Theft, Fixed Deductibles, Higher Cost of Repair, Uninsured Motorists, \$500,000 Civil Liability, Higher Medical Expenses for Occupants, Gap Coverage and Travel Aid.

DRIVER'S LICENSE POLICY - Provides \$500,000 Liability Only Coverage. Therefore, a Driver's License policy will exclude coverage for collision damage and theft of your own vehicle, along with Medical Expenses to occupants.

IN-WATER BOAT LIABILITY - Mexico liability insurance policies cover boats, jet skis, yachts, and other personal watercraft. Like most traditional split limit policies, we offer coverage ranging from \$50,000 per person to \$250,000 per person for bodily injury. Our policies also include \$20,000 in legal assistance and bond coverage. We offer three coverage packages, so you can find the best coverage at a price that fits your budget.

MEXICO HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE - Our homeowners insurance is underwritten by one of the best known and most trusted insurance companies in Mexico, Grupo Nacional Provincial. For over 100 years, GNP has been the premier provider of insurance in Mexico and holds an A- rating from Global Rating Service A.M. Best.

TRAVEL MEDEVAC INSURANCE - Vagabundos is now offering Reliable Emergency Travel MedEvac Insurance! This is not your average MedEvac membership program. Our Travel MedEvac Insurance is underwritten by Nationwide and unlike other providers, Travel MedEvac focuses only on what is important... getting you and your traveling companion home in the event of a medical emergency. Beware of other plans that provide evacuation coverage only to the "nearest suitable facility", rather than to your home hospital. We provide the evacuation coverage you need in the event of a medical emergency.

Coverage includes: air medical transport to your home hospital of choice; ground ambulance transport from hospital to hospital; return of dependents; visitor transportation; return of standard vehicle, RV and watercraft; transport and repatriation of mortal remains; transport of traveling companion or family members.

We reminisce to 1966 when Vagabundos started with a few good buddies who wanted to travel to Baja and Mainland Mexico. It was then the Vag buddy system began. It's no different today and our popular Travel Buddies Calendar is a great tool to find a buddy to caravan with and many Members are currently using it and finding new friends. Members traveling to Mexico can post trips and find other Members who are traveling at the same time. It is for Members only, so you will not encounter the general traveling public. Vag sponsored events and a useful interactive map are included. Regardless of your driving experience, the easy-to-use calendar will allow you to find a buddy.

We continue to provide valuable services to our members. You may purchase your tourist card (FMM) with us, eliminating the need to go back and forth between the bank and Immigration Office at the border. We established this service many years ago. You will receive your prepaid FMM from us. Stop at the immigration office at the border and get it validated and you are ready to enjoy your trip. You may also purchase your Mexico Sports Fishing Licenses with us. A weekly license is \$23.20, monthly \$34.80 or annual \$46.40 plus \$8 service charge per license.

MEMBERS SPEAK

We have closed our claim and everything is great! We just want you to know that we have had the most pleasant experience working with the Mexican Insurance Company on our unfortunate damage to our Toy Hauler trailer. They were always so nice to communicate with and their promptness was outstanding. We are so thrilled! It all started with you helping me with a three way call to them to start the claim. Between our great experience with Vagabundos transferred to the insurance company we will always remain a customer of yours and will highly recommend you all to others that are seeking Mexican Insurance coverage.

Thanks again for everything!! Roger and Carol Mears

I would like to pass on my employee commendation for your representative Shawna Newcomb. She was extremely helpful, polite and knowledgeable on our recent conversations and would like to acknowledge her as an outstanding employee of Vagabundos. Thank you very much. Judy and Carl De Jager

More than 53 Years covering the Western Waterfront from Alaska to Cabo San Lucas

2019 ACTIVITY PLANNER

When it comes to Baja and Mexico, there is still no other club that does what we do. The Vagabundos are the only non-profit social club specializing in Baja and Mexico travel. We are the Go-To place for all Mexico travel, with low-cost dues, all-Mexico Vehicle insurance with one of the most reputable brokers in the business, and are the only Club with both a hard-copy and digital publication. We strive to provide a Safety Net for travelers, providing the latest information from our contacts in Mexico and depend on the reliable information shared with Members currently on the road. It makes the difference in fulfilling our Mission - To help Members travel safely, economically, and to enjoy all of North America, especially Baja California. We are Not for Profit and All for Members.

Activity, Tournament Leaders and Wagon Masters

We are always looking for help with Activity events and Tournaments and in finding new places. Think about your favorite outdoor area or fishing spot and how much fun it would be to share time there with your Vag Buddies. There are incentives -- some expenses and one week at the Loreto Casa. Before joining Vagabundos we adventured by ourselves. After our first trip years ago crossing the Sea of Cortez with Ralph "Padre" Lucas and crew, we realized how much more fun it was to share those experiences with good buddies. You will make life-long friends and be safer cruising on the water and traveling on the road - the reason for your Club's inception. For Wagon Masters, if you are an experienced traveler, take some buddies with you and receive compensation and expenses for your trip, and a week at the Loreto Casa. Our friendly staff in the office, who still answer the phone live, will be right there to help you with arrangements, reservations and working with participants for both Activities and Caravans. Call the office at 800-47-4-BAJA (2252).

The Club offers a Free Membership for the first year for current Members' adult sons and/or daughters who connect with the outdoors and relate to the Vagabundo Lifestyle. Get the kids involved! We are also now giving a Free new Family Member Membership for one year for you to give to a friend you think would enjoy the Vagabundo Lifestyle. Just fill in the blank form on page 18 and place your Membership number instead of the credit card info and give to a friend to send in.

In every beginning of the year issue of the Chubasco we list each Activity we know of that will be coming up in the ensuing year, and if possible, the following year. This is the best measure we have of what the Vagabundos do. Members can go over the list time and again to find the activities that most interest them and mark their calendars so they won't miss out.

Active people who are looking for fun, adventure and companionship from Alaska to Mexico by Boat or RV or vehicle can see that we are like them, get aboard and take advantage of Vagabundos activities and many money saving services.

Here are some of the fun things the Vags will be doing in 2019. If you have an idea for an Activity, please call the office to express your idea.

ACTIVITIES

ANNUAL CRAB FEED & FIESTA

Lighthouse Resort and Marina

May 30 - June 2, 2019

The 2018 41st Annual Crab Feed was held at the Jellystone Resort at Tower Park. 300 Vagabundos Members, family and friends; 1,250 lbs of the best Dungeness crab provided by Mahoney's Seafood; 160 lbs of shrimp; 14 cases of fresh artichokes; 100 loaves of San Francisco sourdough bread makes Vagabundos Crab Feed and Fiesta the event of the year. There are no other crab feeds like this one. The four-day event included the Thursday Annual Pig Roast by Pigmeister and Director Fred Eberle and his crew with potluck side dishes. Friday night BBQ ribs or chicken, baked beans, coleslaw and margaritas. Saturday is the main event Crab Feed. Sunday morning survivor's potluck breakfast. It is a weekend to remember where you leave your diets for another day. Tony Schuck, graciously accepted the "Crab of the Year" award.

The 2019 42nd Annual Crab Feed event will be held at Lighthouse Resort and Marina on the beautiful California Delta. All RV sites are back-in and are \$45 per night. The cabins are limited. Pig Roast tickets will be \$12, BBQ tickets will be \$18 and Crab Feed tickets will be \$59.00.

We'll do it again starting with Thursday's kick off with the annual Pig Roast and famous potluck. Friday enjoy margaritas and catered BBQ dinner consisting of one-half rack of barbecued spare ribs or one-half barbecued chicken. The prelude to the Main Event on Saturday is the 7th Annual Chili Cookoff. Prize for the Chili Cookoff will include \$50 cash and two Crab Feed tickets for next year. Mahoney's Seafood will bring us the best Dungeness crab around as they always do, and will again provide the shrimp as they did last year since it was a big hit also. Delicious artichokes from the artichoke capital of California and fresh baked sourdough from San Francisco will accompany. Sunday morning Survivor's Potluck breakfast is always one not to be missed.

Reservations must be made before April 15, 2018 in order to receive the group rate for the RV sites and cabins. Please make all reservations with the Vagabundos office. Call now 800-47-4-BAJA (2252).

11TH ANNUAL 2019 PADRE LUCAS YELLOWTAIL TOURNAMENT

June 27-29, 2019

The week after Father's Day works well for the Yellowtail Tournament and will again be that week - Thursday, Friday and Saturday, June 27-29. The cost will be \$50.00 per entry. Included will be a welcome party with chips and margaritas; and on Saturday the 29th we will have the awards dinner with trophies included. This tournament becomes bigger and better every year. Tournament headquarters is Casa Diaz. For more local information go to bahiadelosangeles.info which has accommodations, guides, etc. You may dry camp at Casa Diaz.

Last year was another fantastic tournament. It was our biggest and best tournament for the 28 anglers who participated. I have Western Outdoor News on board as a new sponsor for 2019. I wish to thank all participants and Tackle Express for their \$50.00 gift certificate. Thanks to Vagabundos Del Mar for donating several items, making our giveaway raffle even better! Janet and I would like to especially thank Vagabundos for giving us a beautiful engraved clock for our years of service.

A waypoint stop to Bahia de Los Angeles is Don Eddie's Landing in San Quintin. The road in is now paved and they offer Vagabundos Members discounts on rooms, dinner and breakfast. Sign up at the Vagabundos office at 800-474-2252(Baja).

Larry and Janet Lammon

ALASKA FISHING TRIP

July 23 - 28, 2019

Ketchikan Alaska Reel Fun Adventures Clover Pass 2019 all inclusive, five nights, four days fishing.

Clover Pass, Ketchikan Alaska located on the Inside Passage, is on one of the best Salmon runs in the world. These calm waters are the "highway" for the Salmon returning to fresh water to spawn. Ketchikan is known as the Salmon Capital of the World. Put a line in the water as you leave the dock and fish for King, Silver, Pink and Chum Salmon.

This is an "all inclusive" trip. Included is your transportation from Ketchikan Airport, self guided boats, bait, tackle, plentiful meals, fish processing with vacuum pack and quick frozen. Your catch will be boxed and delivered to you at the airport, ready for your trip home to share with friends.

This year Clover pass is including the 20 foot enclosed Thunder Jet boats with down riggers and 90 HP outboards. You need only pay for gas. Limit four fish per boat. You may still use the 14 foot Livingston skiffs if you desire at no charge. Fish as much or as little as you like in the long summer days, because you are the captain of your boat. When on the water you may see Orcas, Whales and the Bald

Eagles are everywhere. Take some time to visit the historic town of Ketchikan with its many shops, restaurants and Native Culture.

Optional Halibut and Salmon guided charters, float plane tours or fly in fishing remote lakes charters available. Float plane will pick you up at dock.

Price is \$1995 per person. Trip includes: All meals, fish processing, vacuum packed for flight home, transportation to and from the airport, boats, equipment, gear and bait. Not included: tips, fishing license, airfare and fuel.

Contact John Henigin 805-207-3522. Visit fishtalkradio.com

SAN QUINTIN FISHING TOURNAMENT

August 30 - September 1, 2019

2018 Vagabundos San Quintin Fishing Tournament at Don Eddie's was full of fun, good fishing, and good food. Once again Don Eddie's had to turn on the no vacancy sign as Members, friends, and the San Quintin community made this year's tournament the most successful thus far.

Tony, owner of Don Eddie's, and his staff did an amazing job preparing tacos for sign in. They prepared an outstanding BBQ chicken dinner for the first day of the tournament, and the Grand Finale Gourmet Ribeye Steak Dinner for the awards banquet. Labor Day activities included our traditional Oyster Farm lunch, followed by cocktails and fresh fish dinner at Don Eddie's.

A wide variety of fish was caught - Yellowtail, Bluefin Tuna, Dorado, and all types of bottom fish.

Cash prizes, Accurate BX Boss Extreme Reel (valued \$489.95) and Trophies were awarded to the winners.

Date for 2019 San Quintin Fishing Tournament
Labor Day Weekend Aug 30 - Sep 1, 2019
Friday, August 30, 2019 - Sign in at Don Eddie's Bar. Includes tacos.

Saturday, August 31, 2019 - Day 1 of Tournament 6am - 4pm. Includes BBQ chicken dinner at Don Eddie's Bar 6pm.

Sunday, September 1, 2019 - Day 2 of Tournament 6am - 4pm Includes ribeye steak dinner at Don Eddie's Bar 6pm.
Optional Monday, September 2, 2019 (Labor Day) lunch at the Oyster Farm, cocktails and fish dinner at Don Eddie's Bar time to be announced. Freddie Washington

Make your reservations now by calling the Vagabundos office at 800-47-4-BAJA (2252).

ADVENTURE TOURS 2019-2020

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PASSPORTS WILL BE REQUIRED

COSTA RICA ADVENTURE TOUR

November 22 - December 1, 2019

by PREMIERE TOUR LEADERS

DAVID & CONNIE JONES

Beaches, beauty and biodiversity - that's what Costa Rica offers and that's what we are offering to Vagabundos at a phenomenal price and an itinerary that suits our unique and independent travel preferences. Put these dates on your calendar and sign up quickly; this will be a very small group and will sell out fast! Call our office at 800-47-4-BAJA (2252). \$2,650 per person double occupancy.

Day 1, November 22: Fly independently to San José, Costa Rica. You will be met at the airport and transported to our hotel where we will have dinner and orientation. (Hotel: Studio Hotel; Meals: D)

Day 2, November 23: We leave our hotel early and drive through Braulio Carrillo National Park on our way to the boat that will take us along the river channels to the picturesque town of Tortuguero in Tortuguero National Park; there we will learn about the lifestyle of the local people and the conservation efforts to protect the sea turtles. (Hotel: Evergreen Lodge; Meals: BLD)

Day 3, November 24: Tortuguero is an excellent place for ecotourism. During the day and depending on the weather conditions, we might enjoy a guided walk through the jungle where you will learn how different animals, insects and birds interact with the forest plants, achieving a perfect balance between each species. We will take a boat tour through the different natural channels of the National Park, where we can see different species of mammals, birds and reptiles. (Hotel: Evergreen Lodge; Meals: BLD)

Day 4, November 25: Today we head back to the mainland to the town of La Fortuna, home of the colossal Arenal Volcano with its remarkable cone, springs of healing thermal waters and well-tended gardens. There will be independent time to enjoy these healing waters at our fabulous hotel hot springs. (Hotel: Arenal Kioro Hotel; Meals: BL)

Day 5, November 26: We will experience a forest in a very different way, walking over the canopy in the Arenal Hanging Bridges Park and then a hike along the base of the Arenal Volcano ending in a delicious picnic served at the volcano viewpoint. The afternoon is at leisure to enjoy other activities in the area. (Hotel: Arenal Kioro; Meals: BL)

Day 6, November 27: A beautiful, scenic drive will take us to Monteverde, stopping to enjoy a traditional lunch in a local restaurant. Once in Monteverde, get comfortable and

prepare to explore this diverse area during our stay. (Hotel: Trapp Family Lodge; Meals: BL)

Day 7, November 28: This is a day to explore the cloud forest. We'll start with a visit to the Santa Elena Biological Reserve and a moderate wildlife hike. Lunch will be on your own in one of the restaurants in Santa Elena village. (Hotel: Trapp Family Lodge; Meals: B)

Day 8, November 29: Happy Thanksgiving! What can be better than celebrating our Thanksgiving in the breathtaking landscapes of the Gulf of Nicoya. Our catamaran adventure is on board one of the largest catamarans in Central America; it includes two Jacuzzi's, two resting nets, two cross water slides and snorkeling equipment. What a way to enjoy the evening sunset! (Hotel: Si Como No Resort Spa & Wildlife Refuge; Meals: BD)

Day 9, November 30: Today we will explore Manuel Antonio, one of the most famous national parks in the Costa Rican park system. We'll take a moderate three-hour walk where our guide will share secrets of the Coastal Wet Forest and the wonders of the park, including the diverse variety of wildlife. After the hike, enjoy some time on the beautiful beaches within the park. This evening we will enjoy a special farewell dinner at a local restaurant to re-live our Costa Rican adventure and cement our newfound friendships. (Hotel: Is Como No Resort; Meals: BD)

Day 10, December 1: After breakfast we will be transported back to San Juan Santamaria International Airport in San José for our flights home. (Meals: B)

BEACHES AND WHALES ROUND-TRIP February 2020

The past recent years have seen record numbers of gray whales in the lagoons on the Pacific side of Baja. All indications are numbers are still increasing and 2020 will be even better. We are amazed that year after year as we have made the trek to Baja to seek the whales, we have not had a trip without an opportunity to actually touch a gray whale in their habitat. For us it is a humbling experience each time we view these intelligent mammals in the place they've chosen to birth their calves - as the Mexicans say - the gray whales are Mexican by birth. In one of the most remarkable annual migrations nature offers, Pacific gray whales make the 5,000 mile trip from the chilly feeding grounds of the Arctic to the safety of warm, shallow waters of the Baja Peninsula for their breeding and calving season.

We will introduce you to these two favorite things to do and see in Baja and will take you down to Cabo San Lucas and back to California in both RV's and passenger cars. We'll spend some nights on Baja's best beach campgrounds. During the height of the season, we will experience whale watching with gray whales in Scammon's Lagoon and

another lagoon, depending on timing and number of whales present. These gray whale wintering areas have developed "friendly" mothers who bring their calves right up to the boats and enjoy being stroked. Mostly it's the babies, pushed to the boat by mama whale, who probably learned the behavior as a baby herself, who seem the most friendly and want to play with us. To connect with these friendly whales from a small panga, looking right into their eye rolled toward you, creates a distinctive awareness of these intelligent creatures, enhances the mind and exhilarates the soul. In Loreto we will search for magnificent blue whales and other whale species like humpbacks and finbacks. In La Paz we'll seek another incredible gentle giant - whale sharks. The fee per rig with two people is to be determined. Be sure your CB radio or two-way family radio is working. For more information visit the Beaches and Whales Tour page on our website at Vagabundos.com or call Vag Office at 800-47-4-BAJA (2252).

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Mexico Health & Safety Travel Guide - Page&Page	25.00				steel, maroon, navy, sand, white-2X; forest, denim,				
Moon Handbook Cabo 7th ed.- Niki Goth Itoi	17.00				lt steel, maroon, navy, sand, white-3X				
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Spanish Lingo for the Savvy Gringo-by Elizabeth Reid	15.00				black, burg, lt blue, navy, red - L	25.00			
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pirate reef - black, white-L-3X									
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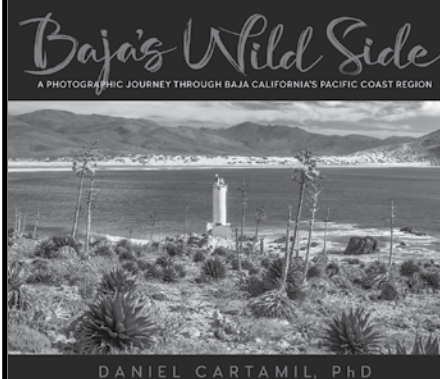
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photography and

stories of shark biologist Dr. Daniel Cartamil, as he explores Baja California's Pacific coast region. Packed with over 100 breathtaking images, this book chronicles a fragile paradise of remote landscapes, wildlife, and cultural treasures on the verge of being overtaken by modern civilization. From the high sierra, to ancient cave paintings hidden deep in the desert, to the surf-pounded Pacific, readers will discover Baja's little-known 'Wild Side.' The release of this book coincided with the opening of the 'Baja's Wild Side' exhibit at the San Diego Natural History Museum.

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