



# Puerto Vallarta

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Puerto Vallarta is pairs the architecture of colonial Mexico with the flair of its modern, beach resort city persona. Located in the gorgeous Bay of Banderas, Puerto Vallarta is both a tropical and cultural epicenter. Luxury cruises make it a frequent stop along their vacation routes, for the sandy beaches seem quite endless! Art lovers will find a paradise in Puerto Vallarta as well, for the city holds its own with numerous neighborhoods and districts dedicated to creative expression.

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## THE CITY



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Puerto Vallarta was for a long time inhabited by indigenous groups until the Spaniards came in 1524. But what caused the city to really "boom" in 1964 was the movie "Night of the Iguana," starring Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton. Puerto Vallarta, being the setting for this film, consequently appealed to the rich and famous. Tourism started blossoming in the 1970's when the city put a lot of effort into tourist infrastructure. Ever since, the once quiet town only belonged to the past.

Having so much to offer, it is not strange that people flock to Puerto Vallarta. The charming city has something for everyone; lovers, friends, family, and backpackers. Here you can really enjoy yourself and relax in a hub of culture, food, beaches, and nature.

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## DO & SEE



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Puerto Vallarta is just as great for a relaxing holiday as an adventurous one. The Bay of Banderas has a 60 kilometer long coastline filled with secluded beaches, great for water sports, swimming with dolphins and lazy days on the beach. If you turn your head towards land you are facing the majestic Sierra Madre Mountains, a fantastic area for zip line tours and other daring sports. Wandering the cobbled streets of Puerto Vallarta you will be absorbed by art, food, drinks and friendly people. The diversity of things to do and see in Puerto Vallarta will keep you busy for a long, long time.

### Zona Romantica

When in Puerto Vallarta you will certainly come across the so called Zona Romantica. In this popular neighbourhood you will be able to experience what Mexico is all about; charm, food, and lovely people. Make sure you do not miss to watch the gorgeous sunset from here.

Address: Zona Romantica, Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, Mexico

### Las Caletas

This secluded beach area is one of Puerto Vallarta's most popular hideaways. You will find Las Caletas on the southern shores of Bay of Banderas and it can only be reached by boat. Here you can enjoy different activities like snorkelling and kayaking.

Address: Las Caletas, Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco Mexico

### Teatro Vallarta

If you feel like exploring your cultural side you can visit Teatro Vallarta. Here you can sit down in a comfortable seat and just relax while watching one of the great shows like ballet, theatre, or opera.

Address: Uruguay 184, 5 de Diciembre, Puerto Vallarta

Opening hours: Monday - Saturday: 10am - 6pm

Phone: +52 322 222 4525

Internet: [www.teatrovallarta.com](http://www.teatrovallarta.com)

### Sailfish & Marlin International Tournament

Every year several fishermen are drawn to Puerto Vallarta for the Sailfish & Marlin International Tournament. Join in yourself or watch the hunt for catching the big fish.

Address: Calle Hamburgo 145, Col. Versalles C.P., Puerto Vallarta

Phone: +52 322 225 5467

Internet: [www.fishvallarta.com](http://www.fishvallarta.com)

Email: [info@clubdepesca.org.mx](mailto:info@clubdepesca.org.mx)

### Plaza Principal

Plaza Principal, also called El Jardin Principal, is the main square of Puerto Vallarta. This place is a wonderful oasis in the centre of the city and often hosts events and concerts.

Address: Plaza Principal, Puerto Vallarta

### Bay of Banderas

Bay of Banderas has approximately a 60 kilometers long coastline filled with beautiful beaches and activities. You will definitely not have a problem finding your favorite place here since there are so many great places to choose from.

Address: Puerto Vallarta, Mexico

### Old Town Vallarta

The arty Old Town in Puerto Vallarta is full of beautiful cobbled streets. Here you can wander among cafés, vendors and knick-knacks in the daytime and go to one of the many bars and restaurants in the evening.

Address: Morelos 484, Puerto Vallarta

### **Aquaventuras Park**

Claimed to be one of Puerto Vallarta's main tourist attractions, the Aquaventuras Park offers a day full of action. Here you can find animals, water slides, dolphins, playgrounds and much more.

Address: Carretera a Tepic Kilómetro 155, Nuevo Vallarta, 63732 Nuevo Vallarta, Nayarit, Mexico

Opening hours: Sunday - Monday: 10am - 5pm

Internet: [www.aquaventuras.com](http://www.aquaventuras.com)

### **Our Lady of Guadalupe Church**

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church stands proudly as the main focal point on Puerto Vallarta's skyline. This is one of the city's most beautiful landmarks and well worth a visit.

Address: Calle Hidalgo, Puerto Vallarta

### **Sierra Madre Mountains**

Puerto Vallarta is located near The Sierra Madre Mountains, which offer a wide range of adventurous activities. Explore an area full of waterfalls, canyons, snow-covered mountains, and tropical forests.

### **Las Marietas Islands**

Located close to the mainland, the Marietas Islands are definitely worth a visit if you like scuba diving. You can go here by boat to explore the wonderful reefs and exotic fish, turtles, and whales.

Address: Las Marietas Islands, Puerto Vallarta

### **Puerto Vallarta Boardwalk - Malecon**

The long boardwalk along the oceanfront, called Malecon, is truly beautiful and a "must-walk". Stroll along the water among cafés, shops, and the beautiful signature Puerto Vallarta sculptures.

Address: El Malecon, Puerta Vallarta

### **Outdoor Adventures**

Whether you are looking for an outdoor adventure like a

waterslide or a thrill up the mountains, you are sure to find it in and around Puerto Vallarta. This is the ultimate area for trying something completely different like thrilling zip lines, swimming with dolphins or sea safari.

Address: Ave Las Palmas 39, Puerto Vallarta

Phone: +1425 297 1212

Internet: [www.vallarta-adventures.com](http://www.vallarta-adventures.com)

### **Los Muertos Pier**

Like most places in Mexico, the Los Muertos Pier is colorful and full of fun. This romantic pier teems with people and restaurants and will take your breath away both day and night.

Address: F. Rodriguez, Puerto Vallarta

### **El Faro Lighthouse**

If you want to visit one of Puerto Vallarta's most romantic spots, you should go to El Faro Lighthouse. In the top of the lighthouse there is a bar, perfect for having cocktails while watching the beautiful sunset.

Address: Mazatlan, Mexico

## DINING



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Being known as a fine dining destination, Puerto Vallarta and its many restaurants will bring you a lot of tasty dishes to the table. Here you will find a great variety of food, and prices vary just as much. Choose between the "catch of the day", genuine Mexican food or snacks from one of the many food stands on the streets. Small places, called fondas and cenadurías, serve great Mexican food. Whether you are looking for something small, a meal on the beach or a romantic dinner while overlooking the ocean, Puerto Vallarta has everything to satisfy your taste buds each day.

### Archies Wok

If you are craving a scrumptious Asian meal you can get one at Archies Wok. Choose between a wide range of dishes like calamari and noodles in a cosy setting.

Address: Francisco Rodriguez 130, Emiliano Zapata, Puerto Vallarta  
Phone: +52 322 222 0411  
Internet: [www.archieswok.com](http://www.archieswok.com)

### Bistro Teresa

This small and cosy restaurant has an ideal location overlooking the bay. Bistro Teresa is very popular and offers various dishes like seafood and traditional Mexican food as well as a good breakfast.

Address: Carretera a mismaloya km1.5 #520, Col. Amapas, Puerto Vallarta  
Phone: +52 322 113 0281  
Email: [bistroteresa@gmail.com](mailto:bistroteresa@gmail.com)

### El Sazon del Aca

At El Sazon del Aca you can savour great traditional Mexican food. This little place offers great service and is perfect for an intimate dinner while listening to live music.

Address: Libertad #173, Colonia Centro, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Daily: 8am - 10:30pm  
Phone: +52 3222 235 642  
Internet: [www.facebook.com/pages/El-Saz%C3%B3n-del-%C3%81ca/496488150403376](https://www.facebook.com/pages/El-Saz%C3%B3n-del-%C3%81ca/496488150403376)  
Email: [elsazondelaca@hotmail.com](mailto:elsazondelaca@hotmail.com)

### Barcelona Tapas Bar

At Barcelona Tapas Bar you can enjoy various tapas like cheese, meat, seafood, and chicken. The restaurant is located on a hill and is therefore perfect for having dinner while watching the stunning sunset.

Address: Matamoros 894, Puerto Vallarta Centro, Puerto Vallarta  
Phone: +52 322 223 0831  
Internet: [www.barcelonatapas.net](http://www.barcelonatapas.net)  
Email: [info@barcelonatapas.net](mailto:info@barcelonatapas.net)

### Ocean Grill Vallarta

Ocean Grill is claimed to be a destination itself. This place is located in a white beach cove and offers great dishes, as well as activities onsite like fishing trips and snorkeling.

Address: Playa Colomitos, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Sunday - Monday: 11am - 5pm  
Phone: +52 322 223.7315  
Internet: [www.oceangrillvallarta.com](http://www.oceangrillvallarta.com)

### Teatro Limon Restaurant

With a constantly changing menu, Teatro Limón offers a creative, culinary experience. The staff at Teatro Limón believe that the art of dining is more than eating and cooking. Come here for a memorable dinner or take one of the upcoming classes.

Address: Calle Jon Del Limón 1, Esquina, Maria Montessori, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Daily: 5pm - 1am  
Phone: +52 322 225 2606  
Internet: [www.teatrolimon.com](http://www.teatrolimon.com)

### **Casa Naranjo Restaurant**

Casa Naranjo is highly recommended by its customers and offers an international menu. Here you can really enjoy great service combined with a good meal in a cozy setting.

Address: Naranjo 263, Emiliano Zapata, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Monday - Saturday: 6pm - 11pm  
Phone: +52 322 222 3518  
Internet: [www.casa-naranjo.com](http://www.casa-naranjo.com)  
Email: [casanaranjo@casa-naranjo.com](mailto:casanaranjo@casa-naranjo.com)

### **The Blue Shrimp**

With an ideal location just by the ocean, The Blue Shrimp offers real good sea food. This is a perfect place for romantic one-on-ones as well as large gatherings.

Address: Olas Altas 366, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Daily: 9am - 11:30pm  
Phone: +52 322 223 1840  
Internet: [www.theblueshrimp.mx](http://www.theblueshrimp.mx)  
Email: [contacto@theblueshrimp.mx](mailto:contacto@theblueshrimp.mx)

### **Boccon di Vino**

At Boccon di Vino you can savour traditional Italian food in a cosy atmosphere. Here you can choose between various types of dishes accompanied by a glass of wine.

Address: Basilio Badillo 317, Puerto Vallarta  
Phone: +044 322 102 8557  
Email: [boccondivino@hotmail.com](mailto:boccondivino@hotmail.com)

### **Bubba Gump Shrimp**

If you have seen the movie Forrest Gump you will feel right at home at Bubba Gump Shrimp. This restaurant chain can be found across the United States but has also found its way to Puerto Vallarta. Here you can enjoy various dishes, mainly seafood, in a friendly atmosphere.

Address: Paseo Díaz Ordáz No. 720 y 726 48300 Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco  
Opening hours: Daily: 11am - 12am  
Phone: +52 322 222 9380  
Internet: [www.bubbagump.com/locations/puerto-vallarta](http://www.bubbagump.com/locations/puerto-vallarta)  
Email: [miriamtorres.bgvallarta@gmail.com](mailto:miriamtorres.bgvallarta@gmail.com)

### **Vista Grill Restaurant**

When dining at Vista Grill Restaurant you will have a spectacular view over the Banderas Bay. Coming here you can expect a culinary experience and great service.

Address: Pulpito 377, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Daily: 12pm - 11:30pm  
Phone: +52 322 222 3570  
Internet: [www.vistagrill.com](http://www.vistagrill.com)  
Email: [info@vistagrill.com](mailto:info@vistagrill.com)

### **La Peña Andaluza**

For some Spanish tapas you can visit La Peña Andaluza. This restaurant will serve you a great variety of tapas, like squid and chorizo, in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

Address: Morelos 101, Col. Centro, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: (High Season) Daily: 12pm - 11pm. (Low Season) Daily: Tuesday - Saturday: 12pm - 11pm. Sunday: 12pm - 6pm.  
Phone: +52 322 2233 620  
Internet: [www.lapenaandaluza.com](http://www.lapenaandaluza.com)

### **Café de Olla**

In a great atmosphere you can enjoy a wide range of dishes like Mexican platters, hamburgers, BBQ ribs and enchiladas. Café de Olla is highly recommended by its customers and offers impeccable service.

Address: Basilio Badillo 168, Emiliano Zapata, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Sunday - Monday: 10am - 11pm  
Phone: +52 322 223 1626  
Internet: [www.cafedeollavallarta.com](http://www.cafedeollavallarta.com)

### **Daiquiri Dicks Restaurant and Bar**

In a relaxed atmosphere you can enjoy an innovative menu with numerous dishes like salads, tapas and different main courses. This is a great place to bring your family and friends for breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

Address: Olas Altas 314, Emiliano Zapata, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Daily: 8:30am - 1:30pm, 5:30pm - 11pm  
Phone: +52 322 222 0566  
Internet: [www.ddpv.com](http://www.ddpv.com)  
Email: [daiquiridicks@gmail.com](mailto:daiquiridicks@gmail.com)  
More Info: Closed on Tuesdays from May - October.

### Dante Ristorante

This popular family owned restaurant is great for having dinner with friends and family. In a cosy atmosphere you can enjoy Italian dishes like gnocchi, salads, and frutti di mare.

Address: Calle Timon, Local N. 20 Marina Vallarta, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Monday - Saturday: 3pm - 12am  
Phone: +52 322 209 0484  
Internet: [www.dantepuertovallarta.com](http://www.dantepuertovallarta.com)  
Email: [info@dantepuertovallarta.com](mailto:info@dantepuertovallarta.com)

### CAFES



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It is easy to find a good cup of coffee, like cappuccino, in Puerto Vallarta and the majority of cafés can be found in the Old Town. Mexico is known for producing high quality coffee beans and the Mexicans themselves drink about half of it. When in Puerto Vallarta you should try a unique, popular type of coffee called "café de olla," sweetened coffee with cinnamon and cloves.

### Mediterranean Cafe and Bakery

At Mediterranean Cafe and Bakery you can enjoy both full meals and desserts claimed to be out of this world. You can stop by here anytime, whether you are real hungry or just craving a snack.

Address: 48380 Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco  
Phone: +52 322 429 1030  
Internet: [www.facebook.com/medcafevp](http://www.facebook.com/medcafevp)

### Fredy's Tucan Restaurant

Ideally located in Zona Romantica, the casual Fredy's

Tucan Restaurant is a great place for having breakfast in Puerto Vallarta. Here you can also enjoy a tasty lunch or dinner, with more than 70 dishes to choose from.

Address: Basilio Badillo 245, Emiliano Zapata, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Daily: 8am - 3pm  
Phone: +52 322 223 0778  
Internet: [www.fredystucan.com](http://www.fredystucan.com)  
Email: [federico1112@gmail.com](mailto:federico1112@gmail.com)

### Dee's Coffee Company

Dee's Coffee Company offers award-winning coffees and delicious sweets. Take a break when touring and rest your legs while having a scone accompanied by a good cup of coffee.

Address: Rodolfo Gómez, Amapas, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Daily: 7am - 10:30pm  
Phone: +52 322 222 1197  
Internet: [www.facebook.com/deescoffecompany](http://www.facebook.com/deescoffecompany)

### Café Catedral

If you like coffee, Café Catedral is a must when in Puerto Vallarta. This café is located in the southern part of the city and offers a great variety of beans and equipment for sale.

Address: Basilio Vadillo 315, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Daily: 8am - 9pm  
Phone: +52 322 223 0318  
Internet: [www.cafecatedral.com.mx](http://www.cafecatedral.com.mx)

### A Page In The Sun

The friendly A Page in the Sun does not only offer coffees and pastries, but also a bookstore. This is the perfect place for people watching and reading a book while having a coffee.

Address: Lázaro Cárdenas 179, Emiliano Zapata, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Monday - Saturday: 7am - 11pm  
Phone: +52 322 222 3608  
Internet: [www.apageinthesun.com](http://www.apageinthesun.com)

### Cafe des Artistes

The downtown restaurant Café des Artistes is both



beautiful and romantic. From the courtyard garden with modern sculptures, to the Casablanca ambiance, the cafe fires on all cylinders.

Address: Guadalupe Sanchez 740, Col. Centro, 48300 Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Daily: 6am - 11:30pm  
Phone: +52 322 222 3228  
Internet: [www.cafedesartistes.com/cafe-des-artistes](http://www.cafedesartistes.com/cafe-des-artistes)  
Email: [info@cafedesartistes.com](mailto:info@cafedesartistes.com)

### **The Bar Above**

The Bar Above is an interesting phenomenon: at once a martini and dessert bar, it is also a cafe. The lighting is dim while the music is intimate, inspiring the creativity of Puerto Vallarta itself.

Address: Bucerías, 63732  
Phone: +52 329 298 1194

### **Café de María**

At Café de María, enjoy three distinct menus for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Order one of their different omelets, a smoothie, or a fruit bowl with yogurt. For lunch, look to BLTs and burgers, roast beef sandwiches, spaghetti, and four different salads. And at dinnertime, choose between the rib-eye steak, shrimp in mango or chipotle chili sauce, or a fish fillet.

Address: Av. Tercer Mundo, San Francisco, 63729  
Phone: +52 311 258 4439

### **The Coffee Cup**

The Coffee Cup is not only packed up yummy pastries and light fare to pair with their coffee, but it's also filled with art for sale! use the inexpensive Internet phone to call the United States or Canada if you'd like, or check your e-mail at one of three computers.

Address: Condominios Puesto del Sol, Local 14--A, Marina Vallarta, Puerto Vallarta, 48335  
Opening hours: Monday - Saturday: 7am - 3pm  
Phone: +52 322 221 2517  
Internet: [www.coffeecuppv.com](http://www.coffeecuppv.com)

### **Museo Naval**

The little maritime museum café has a coffee bar and kitchen. Enjoy a menu of fresh-squeezed orange juice, enchiladas, tortas, and other typical Mexican dishes.

Address: Calle Zaragoza 4, Puerto Vallarta, 48300  
Phone: +52 322 223 5357

### **Restaurant River Cafe**

The River Café offers a wide range of national and International cuisine elaborated with first class ingredients. The sophisticated flavor complements a full list of the best Mexican and foreign wines, as well as an assortment of exciting cocktails.

Address: Isla Río Cuale #4 Colonia Centro, 48300 Puerto Vallarta, JAL, Mexico  
Opening hours: Daily: 8am - 11:30am  
Phone: +52 322 223 0788  
Internet: [www.rivercafe.com.mx/english](http://www.rivercafe.com.mx/english)  
Email: [info@rivercafe.com.mx](mailto:info@rivercafe.com.mx)

### **Kubli's Barra Cafe**

The quirky Kubli's is always a hit among the locals and visitors. Enjoy a selection of breakfast fare, coffee beverages, espresso, and more!

Address: Tijereta 317, Las Aralias, 48328 Puerto Vallarta, JA, Mexico  
Opening hours: Monday - Saturday: 8am - 11:30pm  
Phone: +52 322 293 2108  
Internet: [www.facebook.com/kubliscafebistro](http://www.facebook.com/kubliscafebistro)  
Email: [kublis@kublisbarracafe.com](mailto:kublis@kublisbarracafe.com)



## BARS & NIGHTLIFE



Photo: Manuel Canela

Puerto Vallarta is a city that never sleeps. Here you will find low-key hangouts, ritzy clubs, and sports bars. The so called restaurant-lounges are very popular here, combining dining and dancing. Mandala is the most famous restaurant-lounge and a real hot spot in Puerto Vallarta. Most of the dancing, drinking, and bustling club scene can be found downtown and along the Malecon. You will not be bored in Puerto Vallarta!

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### Murphy's Irish Pub

At this Irish pub you can enjoy great food, sports and music. Murphy's Irish Pub has live music on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays and is located on the Malecon.

Address: Morelos 484, Centro, Puerto Vallarta

Opening hours: Tuesday - Sunday: 2pm - 3am

Phone: +52 322 113 0373

Internet: [www.murphyspub.mx](http://www.murphyspub.mx)

### Mandala

One of the coolest clubs in Puerto Vallarta is the stylish Mandala Sky Beach. This is the place everyone goes for an

unforgettable night out with good fun and great drinks.

Address: Morelos 633, Centro, Puerto Vallarta

Phone: +52 322 223 0977

Internet: [www.mandaladisco.com](http://www.mandaladisco.com)

### Collage Club

Very popular among the younger crowd, Collage Club offers a multilevel nightclub in the middle of Puerto Vallarta. Here you can dance all night long, and be prepared for foam parties!

Address: Proa, Marina Vallarta, Puerto Vallarta

Phone: +52 322 221 0505

Internet: [www.facebook.com/CollageClubPuertoVallarta](http://www.facebook.com/CollageClubPuertoVallarta)

### Punto V

With great views over the ocean, Punto V offers a mixed experience popular among both locals and tourists. Here you can have dinner at the stylish restaurant or have a drink in the open-air bar while listening to live music.

Address: Paseo Díaz Ordaz 78, Centro, Puerto Vallarta

Opening hours: Daily: 11am - 3am

Phone: +52 322 322 1444

Internet: [www.puntovnightclub.com](http://www.puntovnightclub.com)

### Roo

Another great place for dancing is Roo, a hot nightclub located in the heart of Puerto Vallarta. Here you will find it all; great music, cool people and an abundance of tasty drinks.

Address: Morelos 771, Centro, Puerto Vallarta

Opening hours: Daily: 9am - 6pm

Phone: +52 322 108 4358

Internet:

[www.facebook.com/pages/Roo-Puerto-Vallarta/146326752075378](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Roo-Puerto-Vallarta/146326752075378)

Email: [contacto@rooclub.mx](mailto:contacto@rooclub.mx)

### Sky

Sky is a leading venue for quality and service! They have a unique and original setting where you can have fun and enjoy the night.

Address: Morelos 633, 48300 Puerto Vallarta  
Phone: +52 322 223 0977  
Internet: [www.skyvallarta.com](http://www.skyvallarta.com)

### **Bebotero**

The upscale, second-story nightclub Bebotero specializes in live rock. And there's never a cover charge!

Address: Paseo Díaz Ordaz 522, Centro, Puerto Vallarta, 48300  
Opening hours: Daily: 7pm - 4am  
Phone: +52 322 113 0099  
Internet: [www.bebotero.com.mx/new/bebotero-puerto-vallarta](http://www.bebotero.com.mx/new/bebotero-puerto-vallarta)

### **de Santos**

Excellent Mediterranean cuisine is served in the ground-floor restaurant, while lounge music and DJ sets liven up the place upstairs. De Santos is popular among all age groups, and the kitchen is open until 2am.

Address: Calle Morelos 771, Puerto Vallarta, 48300  
Opening hours: Daily: 6pm - 5am  
Phone: +52 322 223 3052  
Internet: [www.desantos.com.mx](http://www.desantos.com.mx)  
Email: [info@desantos.com.mx](mailto:info@desantos.com.mx)

### **La Vaquita**

Ever the relevant nightlife scene is La Vaquita! They dazzle with their unique method of serving drinks: each glass is a liter and painted black like the skin of a cow!

Address: Paseo Díaz Ordaz # 610, 48300 Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Daily: 7pm - 6am  
Phone: +52 322 111 3940  
Internet: [www.facebook.com/LaVaquitaPuertoVallarta](http://www.facebook.com/LaVaquitaPuertoVallarta)  
Email: [lavaquitapuertovallarta@hotmail.com](mailto:lavaquitapuertovallarta@hotmail.com)

### **Xtine**

Xtine is a hip nightclub with a strict code for having fun in a classy, tasteful manner. Dance the night away and make some new friends.

Address: Ave de las garzas Zona Hotelera, 48333 Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Thursday - Sunday: 10pm - 8am  
Phone: +52 322 105 8437  
Internet: [www.facebook.com/pages/Xtine/310739278958547](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Xtine/310739278958547)  
Email: [xtinepuertovallarta@hotmail.com](mailto:xtinepuertovallarta@hotmail.com)

### **La Palapa Bar**

La Palapa Bar is the perfect place for gatherings, dinner, or romantic, after dinner cocktails. Live music is featured nightly!

Address: Pulpito 103, Emiliano Zapata, 48380 Puerto Vallarta, JA, Mexico  
Opening hours: Daily: 8am - 11:30pm  
Phone: +52 322 222 5225  
Internet: [www.lapalapav.com/site/palapa-bar](http://www.lapalapav.com/site/palapa-bar)

### **Que?Pasa**

Que?Pasa is Vallarta's locals' bar and restaurant. Enjoy great "gringo" food, beverages, and local entertainment.

Address: 625 Aquiles Serdan 48350 Puerto Vallarta, JA, Mexico  
Opening hours: Daily: 11am - 2am  
Phone: +1 01 322 223 4006  
Internet: [www.quepasavallarta.com](http://www.quepasavallarta.com)

## **SHOPPING**



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Shopping in Puerto Vallarta is fun! The city is mostly famous for its art and silver jewellery, a real joy for everyone interested in handicrafts. The area around Old Town Vallarta, downtown and the Malecon is where to do most of your shopping.

### **Paradise Plaza**

In the most comprehensive plaza north of Marina Vallarta, shoppers find themselves in ecstasy at Paradise Plaza! There's a food court, grocery store, coffee and juice shops, an Internet café, clothing and handicraft boutiques, and a bank.

Address: Paseo de los Cocoteros 85 Sur, Nuevo Vallarta, Puerto Vallarta, 63732

Phone: +52 322 226 6770

Internet: [www.paradisevillage.com](http://www.paradisevillage.com)

Email: [paradise@paradisevillagegroup.com](mailto:paradise@paradisevillagegroup.com)

### Plaza Caracol

Caracol is always lively and full, with anchors Soriana supermarket and the adjacent LANS department store.

Tiny stores surround these, selling electronics, ice cream, and fresh flowers.

Address: Boulevard Francisco M. Ascencio, Km 2.5, Puerto Vallarta, 48310

Opening hours: Daily: 10am - 10pm

Phone: +52 322 224 3239

Internet: [www.plazacaracol.mx](http://www.plazacaracol.mx)

Email: [contacto@plazacaracol.mx](mailto:contacto@plazacaracol.mx)

### Plaza Marina

Plaza Marina is one long block north of Plaza Neptuno.

Find bank with ATMs, a dry cleaner, a photo-developing shop, a pharmacy, a café, an Internet café, and several bars and shops.

Address: Km 8, Puerto Vallarta, 48354

Phone: +52 322 221 0490

### Plaza Neptuno

The small Plaza Neptuno is home to a number of home furnishing shops, clothing boutiques, and some casual restaurants. It's perfect for those seeking to spend a few hours browsing.

Address: Km 7.5, Puerto Vallarta, 48354

### Galerías Vallarta

The impressive Galeria has it all! Find upscale products spanning department stores and supermarkets, fashion, services, accessories, home, music and electronics, health and beauty, toys, food, and even entertainment.

Address: Avenida Francisco Medina Ascencio # 2920, Puerto Vallarta

Opening hours: Daily: 11am - 9pm

Phone: +52 322 209 0923

Internet: [www.galerias.com/galeriasvallarta](http://www.galerias.com/galeriasvallarta)

### Cassandra Shaw Jewelry

Indulge in chunky rings, bracelets, and necklaces at the lauded Cassandra Shaw Jewelry. Delicate items of pure silver set with various stones are available as well. Also find a small selection of hats, handbags, tunics, and other items.

Address: Calle Basilio Badillo 276, Col. E. Zapata, Puerto Vallarta, 48380

Opening hours: Monday - Saturday: 9am - 9pm. Sunday: 12pm - 6pm.

Phone: +52 322 223 9734

Internet: [www.cassandrashaw.com](http://www.cassandrashaw.com)

Email: [cassandrapv@gmail.com](mailto:cassandrapv@gmail.com)

### María de Guadalajara

Find DIY chic apparel and accessories at María de Guadalajara. Choose the colorful, cotton sash of your liking, and the tailors will create the perfect article of clothing for you!

Address: Local 15-A, Puerto Vallarta, 48354

Phone: +52 322 221 2566

Internet: [www.mariadeguadalajara.com](http://www.mariadeguadalajara.com)

### Gallería Dante

Browse a variety of classical, contemporary, and abstract works of art at Gallería Dante. There are realist paintings as well by local artists.

Address: Calle Basilio Badillo 269, Col. E. Zapata, Puerto Vallarta, 48380

Phone: +52 322 222 2477

Internet: [www.galleriadante.com](http://www.galleriadante.com)

### Xocodiva

Satisfy your sweet tooth and even pamper it with the exquisite truffles and molded chocolates from Xocodiva! This is a classic Canadian chocolatier, ensuring quality chocolates and other assorted delights.

Address: Calle Rodolfo Gómez 118, Puerto Vallarta, 48380

Opening hours: Daily: 10am - 10pm

Phone: +52 322 113 0352

Internet: [www.xocodiva.com](http://www.xocodiva.com)



### **Galería Tanana**

Glistening glass-bead jewelry draws the piqued interest of visitors time and time again to Galería Tanana. Money from sales supports the owner's nonprofit organization, which promotes cultural sustainability for the Huichol people.

Address: Av. del Palmar 8, Sayulita, Puerto Vallarta, 63732

Opening hours: Daily: 10am - 8pm

Phone: +52 329 291 3889

Internet: [www.thehuicholcenter.org](http://www.thehuicholcenter.org)

Email: [huicholcenter@juno.com](mailto:huicholcenter@juno.com)

### **Alfarería Tlaquepaque**

Located in Downtown Puerto Vallarta, Alfarería Tlaquepaque has offered wonderful painted pottery, dishware, baskets, talavera, and earthenware since 1953. They feature other handcrafted items from local artists.

Address: Av. México 1100, Col. 5 de Diciembre, Puerto Vallarta, 48350

Phone: +1 01 322 223 2121

### **Arte Mágico Huichol**

Look to Arte Mágico Huichol for beautiful collections of masks, clothing, and yarn "paintings" created by the Huichol Indians of the state of Nayarit. These items help support the Huichol Indians.

Address: Corona 179, Puerto Vallarta, JA, Mexico

Phone: +1 01 322 222 3077

## **ACCOMMODATIONS**



*Photo: Grand Velas Puerto Vallarta*

Puerto Vallarta has numerous resorts, boutique hotels, budget hotels, guesthouses, and timeshares to offer. Most of the hotels are located in the middle of the bay. The areas north and south of the city are popular for relaxing vacations. Finding something you like in Puerto Vallarta is a piece of cake. Your only problem might be that there is just too much to choose from!

### **RVC'S Club Regina**

Adorned in Azteca style and color, Diamond Resorts' RVC Club Regina is enveloped by Puerto Vallarta's mountains, clear bay waters, and the ambiance of colonial Mexico. The spacious timeshare resort features a pool area and the beach nearby. Additional amenities include a restaurant serving fusion cuisine and a bar/cocktail lounge.

Address: Paseo de La Marina Sur No. 205, Puerto Vallarta

Opening hours: Daily: (Check-in): 4pm, (Check-out): 10am

Phone: +011 52 322 226 6300

Internet: [www.diamondresorts.com/Club-Regina-Puerto-Vallarta](http://www.diamondresorts.com/Club-Regina-Puerto-Vallarta)

### **Casa Velas**

The Casa Velas is a luxurious hotel located right on the beach at the Marina Vallarta Golf Club. Guests at this hotel can enjoy drinks on the beach or a relaxing moment by the pool. Onsite you will find first-class amenities such as spa services.

Address: Pelícanos 311, Marina Vallarta, Puerto Vallarta

Opening hours: Daily: (Check-in): 3pm, (Check-out): 12pm

Phone: +52 322 226 6688

Internet: [www.hotelcasavelas.com](http://www.hotelcasavelas.com)

Email: [reservations@velasresorts.com](mailto:reservations@velasresorts.com)

### **Villa Azalea Inn & Organic Farm**

The small, secluded luxury villa is immersed in greenery and offers spacious, contemporary guestrooms. On the premises you can find a swimming pool and a gourmet restaurant.

Address: Carretera Barra de Navidad, Puerto Vallarta

Opening hours: Daily: (Check-in): 12pm, (Check-out): 11am

Phone: +52 1664 231 3363

Internet: [www.villaazalea.com.mx](http://www.villaazalea.com.mx)

Email: [dulcearguero@villaazalea.com.mx](mailto:dulcearguero@villaazalea.com.mx)

### **Fiesta Americana Puerto Vallarta Hotel**

Claimed to be one of the best hotels in Puerto Vallarta, Fiesta Americana Puerto Vallarta Hotel overlooks the most beautiful beach of Puerto Vallarta and offers its guests a unique experience. Onsite you can find amenities such as a large pool area, fitness center and different activities.

Address: Av. Francisco Medina Ascencio, Puerto Vallarta

Opening hours: Daily: (Check-in): 3pm, (Check-out): 12pm

Phone: +52 322 226 2100

Internet: [www.fiestamericana.com/puerto-vallarta/hotel-puerto-vallarta](http://www.fiestamericana.com/puerto-vallarta/hotel-puerto-vallarta)

### **Hotel Posada de Roger**

The Mexican-style hotel is located in the center of Puerto Vallarta and in the neighborhood you will find numerous restaurants and shops. At the hotel you can enjoy the outdoor pool and a good meal at the adjoining Fredys Tucan Restaurant.

Address: Basilio Badillo 237, Emiliano Zapata, Puerto Vallarta

Opening hours: Daily: (Check-in): 3pm, (Check-out): 12pm

Phone: +52 322 222 0836

Internet: [www.hotelposadaderoger.com](http://www.hotelposadaderoger.com)

Email: [reservations@hotelposadaderoger.com](mailto:reservations@hotelposadaderoger.com)

### **Lindo Mar Resort**

The relaxing beachfront resort offers apartments, fully equipped with everything necessary for a comfortable stay. On the premises you can find a fitness center and swimming pool as well as a restaurant offering traditional food.

Address: Costera a Barra de Navidad 2, Amapas, Puerto Vallarta

Opening hours: Daily: (Check-in): 4pm, (Check-out): 11am

Phone: +52 322 221 5511

Internet: [www.lindomarresort.com](http://www.lindomarresort.com)

Email: [lmr@tradingplaces.com](mailto:lmr@tradingplaces.com)

### **Hotel Rio Malecon Puerto Vallarta**

At this 3-star hotel you will have a comfortable stay only 80 meters from the beach. In the neighborhood you will find shops and restaurants. At the hotel you can enjoy food from the traditional Mexican restaurant and a drink by the pool. Amenities at the hotel include free Wi-Fi.

Address: Morelos 170, Centro, Puerto Vallarta

Opening hours: Daily: (Check-in): 1pm - 5:30am, (Check-out): 12pm

Phone: +52 322 222 0366

Internet: [www.hotelrio.com.mx](http://www.hotelrio.com.mx)

Email: [zvictim@hotelrio.com.mx](mailto:zvictim@hotelrio.com.mx)

### **Hotel Suites Nadia Puerto Vallarta**

Conveniently located near the beach, Hotel Suites Nadia Puerto Vallarta offers comfortable rooms including a kitchenette and other necessary facilities. Onsite there is a rooftop pool and in the mornings all guests can enjoy a continental breakfast.

Address: Uruguay 127, Puerto Vallarta

Opening hours: Daily: (Check-in): 2pm, (Check-out): 12pm

Phone: +52 329 298 0395

Internet: [www.hotelsuitesnadia.com](http://www.hotelsuitesnadia.com)

Email: [info@hotelsuitesnadia.com](mailto:info@hotelsuitesnadia.com)

### **Friendly Vallarta Beach Resort & Spa**

Friendly Vallarta Beach Resort & Spa is ideally located in the heart of Puerto Vallarta near most attractions. Here you will have access to a private beach, outdoor pool and several restaurants.

Address: Francisco Medina Ascencio 2199, Centro, Puerto Vallarta

Opening hours: Daily: (Check-in): 3pm, (Check-out): 12pm

Phone: +52 322 226 4600

Internet: [www.friendlyholavallarta.com](http://www.friendlyholavallarta.com)

Email: [reservas@friendlyvallarta.com](mailto:reservas@friendlyvallarta.com)

### **Hotel Belmar**

Centrally located near the Malecon, Hotel Belmar offers 30

colorful rooms. From here you can easily reach the beach, shops and restaurants. Amenities at this artistic hotel include free WiFi as well as free coffee and juice in the mornings.

Address: Insurgentes 161, Emiliano Zapata, Puerto Vallarta  
Opening hours: Daily: (Check-in): 3pm, (Check-out): 1pm  
Phone: +52 322 222 0572  
Internet: [www.belmarvallarta.com](http://www.belmarvallarta.com)

### Playa Fiesta Hotel

Playa Fiesta is a true gem situated on the South side of Puerto Vallarta. This provides for magnificent views of Banderas Bay! The quaint, intimate resort is replete with fully appointed amenities, and the onsite restaurant is open daily.

Address: Km. 5, 48390 Puerto Vallarta, JA, Mexico  
Opening hours: Daily: (Check-in): 2pm, (Check-out): 11am  
Phone: +52 322 221 6109  
Internet: [www.playafiesta.com](http://www.playafiesta.com)

### Sunset Plaza Beach Resort & Spa

The Sunset Plaza Beach Resort & Spa boasts 100 suites, all with ocean views and huge terraces! Amenities include a large fitness center and spa, the activity Kids Club, two full-service restaurants, a lobby lounge, and the poolside Aqua Bar.

Address: Diego Rivera 121, Zona Hotelera Las Glorias, 48330 Puerto Vallarta, JA, Mexico  
Opening hours: Daily: (Check-in): 3pm - 5pm, (Check-out): 12pm  
Phone: +52 322 226 2757  
Internet: [www.hotelsunsetplaza.com/en](http://www.hotelsunsetplaza.com/en)

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### Airport

Puerto Vallarta is a very popular tourist destination and the busy airport handles numerous tourists and passengers every year. The airport is located approximately 13 kilometers from the city and offers restaurants, shops and other necessary facilities. To get to Puerto Vallarta from the airport you can order a pre-arranged transfer, go in a taxi, bus or rent a car. Several car rental companies are available at the airport including Hertz and Avis. It is recommended to book a car in advance. Beware that traffic in the Mexican cities can be very hectic, but renting a car could be a good alternative for exploring the surrounding areas. At the airport there are shuttles and transfers to some of the other popular destinations like Cancún, Cabo San Lucas, and Playa del Carmen.

Internet: [www.puertovallartaairport.com](http://www.puertovallartaairport.com)



### Time Zone

Puerto Vallarta is located in the Central Time zone, and all times are reflected in Central time.

### Public Transport

The easiest way to get around Puerto Vallarta is either to walk (short distances) or to catch the local bus or a minivan. Buses in Puerto Vallarta are cheap, easy to use and generally operate along the coastline. Look for the blue and white buses. You will see where the bus is headed in the front window. If you are going back to your hotel, look for a bus with a list of hotels in the front window. If you are unsure where the bus is going, just ask the driver.

### Taxi

The taxis in Puerto Vallarta are yellow and easy to use. You can either hail them just about anywhere or find them at one of the many taxi stands. A short trip will cost you approximately 25-40 pesos. If you want to go on a private taxi tour, Taxista Mario Padilla is highly recommended. He will take you to those places you did not know exist.

### Post

Puerto Vallarta Post Office

Address: Colombia 1014, Colonia 5 de Diciembre, Puerto Vallarta  
Phone: +52 322 223 1360  
Internet: [www.sepomex.gob.mx](http://www.sepomex.gob.mx)

### Pharmacy

There are numerous pharmacies around Puerto Vallarta. You can also find pharmacies in new supermarkets.

### Telephone

Country code: +52

Area codes in Puerto Vallarta: 322

### Electricity

110 V, 60 Hz

### Population

256,000

### Currency

Mexican peso (MXN) 1 = 100 Centavos

### Opening hours

Shops are generally open from 9am-5pm on weekdays and Saturdays. In tourist areas shops and larger malls usually stay open until 8pm. On Sundays shops are open at their own discretion. Banks are open from 9am-3/4pm. In the city some banks stay open a few hours on Saturdays as well.

### Internet

[www.visitpuertovallarta.com](http://www.visitpuertovallarta.com)

### Newspapers

Vallarta Today  
El Faro  
La Jornada

### Emergency numbers

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Independencia 123, Puerto Vallarta  
Jalisco, México  
+232 223 2500  
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