

LAS PALAPAS

Suggested Excursions & Outings:

Walk down to the fishing village, about a 20 minute walk – go left as you walk onto the beach. This gives you access to a beautiful lagoon, full of exotic flora and fauna. Here you can rent a kayak, or take a boat ride to the shrimp farms. It is worth the trip. \$50 pesos per person per hour.

Ask for a boat to take you to the Morros – the rocks you see to the west, from the beach. That is well worth the trip. You will see many seabirds, and you may even see whales or dolphins!

Walk on the beach the other way and just enjoy the fact you can walk and walk for 14 kilometers. You will see the airport lights at the eastern tip of the bay.

Trip into Zihuatanejo: a typical Mexican fishing village that now nicely caters to the tourist. Drop by the artisan tourist market (Mercado de Artesanias) for silver jewelry, clothing, pottery. There are other great high-end shops along the streets in the town. There are nice places to stop and have a drink or light meal, right along the fishing port. The merchants do speak some English; you'll have fun with them!

There are great restaurants to consider in Ixtapa and in Zihuatanejo if you wish to enjoy a meal out. You can also go to Ixtapa and wonder around the hotels and small commercial zone.

Go and visit the Ecological Park “El Refugio de Potosi” on the road out to the highway. You will see it as you drive in, owned by an American that has built this sanctuary for endangered species. She has apparently rescued a beached whale and is in the process of drying it out and putting the skeleton back together. Visit the website before you go: www.elrefugiodepotosi.org

Surfing on Playa Linda is for the more adventurous. You can get hooked-up with an instructor for an hour lesson. Playa Linda is located right at the north end of Ixtapa. Vidulfo can guide you there if you wish to go.

“Palma Real” and the “Marina” are the two golf courses in Ixtapa. It is not unusual to see the local crocodiles sunning on the fairways...

See you soon!