

120 THINGS TO DO IN TIJUANA

The local's list of fun things to do and see in the second
largest city on the West Coast of North America

- 1- Take a picture with the famous Tijuana zebra donkey on Avenida Revolución
- 2- Taste all five beers at the TJ Beer microbrewery, Cervecería Tijuana
- 3- See an IMAX movie at CECUT, Tijuana's Cultural Center
- 4- Visit all 13 destinations on Mexicocoach's City Tour bus route
- 5- Bet on a live greyhound race at the Caliente Casino and Race Track
- 6- See a bullfight at the Plaza Monumental Bullring in Playas de Tijuana
- 7- Enjoy a scoop of "Beso de Angel" ice cream at Tepoznieves all-natural ice cream shop
- 8- Order a cactus salad with cilantro dressing at La Diferencia, a gourmet Mexican restaurant
- 9- Shop for piñatas at Mercado Hidalgo, one of Tijuana's traditional Mexican markets
- 10- Play a round of golf at Real Del Mar beachfront resort and country club
- 11- Stay the night at one of Tijuana's top hotels
- 12- Try a local treat: coconut with chili and lemon at Playas de Tijuana Pier
- 13- Eat a Camarón Enchilado spicy shrimp taco at the El Mazateño taco shop
- 14- See an exhibition at El Cubo, Tijuana's new state of the art public gallery space
- 15- Visit Tijuana's Wax Museum, one of only two in Mexico
- 16- Shop for original Mexican arts and crafts on Avenida Revolución
- 17- Eat a molcajete, a famous Mexican dish, at La Cantina de Los Remedios, a traditional restaurant
- 18- Visit El Foro, formerly the Jai Alai Palace, recently renovated and now used for concerts and exhibitions
- 19- Take a yoga class and then have a meal by the sea at Yoghurt Place, an all-natural restaurant and yoga studio
- 20- Be a kid again at the Trompo Interactive Science Museum in Morelos Park
- 21- Pick up a magazine at Sanborn's, a combination of restaurant, bar, book store, and gift shop found only in Mexico with two locations on Avenida Revolución or in the Zona Río
- 22- Play bingo at Caliente Casino and Racetrack
- 23- See Tijuana's team, the Galgos, play in a basketball game
- 24- Have a flavorful Tacos el Gordo taco at the original Tijuana location
- 25- Have a Mexican-style sandwich at Tortas del Washmobile
- 26- Try a slice of traditional crepe layer cake at Rincón San Román, the restaurant started by one of Tijuana's most famous chefs
- 27- See Tijuana's soccer team, the Xoloitzcuintles, play at the Caliente Stadium
- 28- Eat beet and blue cheese carpaccio at La Querencia, the restaurant that invented Baja-Mediterranean cuisine
- 29- Shop for silver jewelry from Taxco, a Mexican city famous for high quality silver products, on Avenida Revolución
- 30- Try the house specialty, grilled baby octopus at Villa Saverios, a restaurant that's been perfecting Mediterranean fusion cuisine for over 20 years
- 31- Enjoy local wines from Baja California at the L.A. Cetto Wine Cellar and Tasting Room
- 32- Experience a whole new way to drink beer: the Clamato, made with beer, clamato juice, clams and spices, at Clamatos Hipódromo next to the Caliente Casino
- 33- Eat a taco with your choice of the many gourmet sauces available at Los Salceados
- 34- Stop for a game at Baja Paintball on the way to Rosarito
- 35- Play pool at Pockets, Tijuana's new sports bar
- 36- Show off by singing a song at Café Del Mundo Karaoke Bar
- 37- Get a strike at Bol Bol, Tijuana's bowling alley
- 38- Try a scoop of handmade Dulce de Leche ice cream at Argelato
- 39- Take a picture at the Tijuana Arch, symbol of the gateway between the U.S. and Mexico on Avenida Revolución

- 40- Enjoy live music, a cup of coffee, and a view of the sea at Café Latitud in Playas de Tijuana
- 41- Take a yellow cab to Avenida Revolución, and visit Tijuana without the stress of driving
- 42- Have a beer with the locals at Dandy Del Sur, a typical bar on the corner of 6th Street and Avenida Revolución
- 43- See a Sunday afternoon mime performance at the outdoor theater at the Plaza Rio Mall
- 44- Eat a big Mexican-style breakfast at El Potrero, a sombrero shaped restaurant located on Avenida Aguacaliente
- 45- Take a moment to relax and enjoy the serenity of the Japanese garden in Morelos Park
- 46- Eat Chinese food at one of Tijuana's 250 Chinese restaurants
- 47- Relax with a massage and a soak at Vita Spa and Hot Springs
- 48- Try a prime rib taco, the house specialty at Grand Bistro Restaurant in the Grand Hotel
- 49- Be inspired by Lux Boreal Contemporary Dance, the renowned dance company based in Tijuana
- 50- Eat paella and other Spanish favorites at Chiki Jai on Avenida Revolución
- 51- See the work of talented artists from Mexico and around the world at Entijanarte in October
- 52- Munch on cotton candy while taking a walk at the Teniente Guerrero Park downtown
- 53- Visit the Tijuana Cathedral to see the traditional architecture of New Spain
- 54- Eat an Argentinean empanada at the Fonda Argentina restaurant
- 55- See the Baja California Symphony Orchestra in concert at the Tijuana Cultural Center
- 56- Get some exercise with a ride on the new path along the Tijuana river canal
- 57- Grab a caramel frapuccino on the go at DeVolada, Tijuana's fast coffee shop franchise
- 58- See 62 pieces by the famous Mexican painter Raúl Anguiano at the Palacio Cultural
- 59- Play a round of golf at the Club Campestre championship golf course
- 60- Eat an authentic Caesar Salad at Hotel Caesar where the famous dish was invented
- 61- Take a picture with Frida Cowlo, a piece from Tijuana's 2008 Cow Parade exhibition, at the pedestrian crossing of the San Ysidro border
- 62- Hear live mariachi music from your car at Plaza Santa Cecilia, where local mariachis wait for customers
- 63- Go shopping at Liverpool, a new luxury department store offering duty free merchandise a few minutes from the border
- 64- Try Tijuana's best chilaquiles, a traditional Mexican breakfast food, at La Espadaña Restaurant, in the Restaurant District
- 65- Visit the tomb of Juan Soldado, the resting place of a Mexican soldier who is now revered as a folk saint
- 66- Enjoy the view from Casa de la Cultura, an art space in one of Tijuana's beautiful Spanish-style buildings
- 67- Watch the sunset from Hotel Real del Mar Golf Resort and Country Club
- 68- Eat spicy Tacos Gobernador at Los Arcos, a fantastic Mexican seafood restaurant
- 69- Visit the ostriches at the Morelos Park Zoo
- 70- Train for an upcoming race on a Tartan track at the CREA Sports Facility
- 71- Play on the Go Karts at the Mundo Divertido Amusement Park
- 72- Eat Brazilian style at Pampas Do Brasil, one of the most delicious restaurants in Tijuana serving Brazilian Barbeque
- 73- Rent a boat and explore the lake at Amistad Park
- 74- Enjoy singing and dance performances at the Tijuana Fair in August and September
- 75- Fly direct to Narita, Japan from the Tijuana Airport
- 76- Take a break for some delicious cake at Café de la Flor, where they specialize in delectable desserts
- 77- Enjoy the unique architecture of the Tijuana Tower, and then go inside to visit the Sports Hall of Fame
- 78- See a Mexican Lucha Libre wrestling match at the municipal auditorium of Tijuana and then...
- 79- ...buy an authentic Mexican Lucha Libre mask on Avenida Revolucion as a souvenir
- 80- Sip on an exotic tamarind martini at Cheripan, a trendy Argentinian restaurant and bar in the Restaurant District

- 81- Improve your health without breaking the bank on a visit to one of the internationally accredited ophthalmologists, dentists or cosmetic surgeons in Tijuana
- 82- Take a picture on the pier at Playas de Tijuana
- 83- Play raquetball at the new Club Rio Racquetball facility where the Mexico Open is held
- 84- Buy an authentic Mexican zarape and sombrero on Avenida Revolución
- 85- Visit Tinta Distinta, the tattoo parlor that started Tijuana's International Tattoo Expo
- 86- Go down a water slide or enjoy the view at the Paraíso Azteca recreational pool
- 87- Pick up a Cuban cigar at La Casa del Habano Cigar Shop on Avenida Revolución
- 88- Eat a traditional Baja California fish taco at Tacos Jr.
- 89- Rock out on skates at Patines de Plata, Tijuana's skating rink for 31 years
- 90- Take a salsa lesson at Alma Latina, an acclaimed dance school
- 91- Buy a cozy Mexican blanket on Avenida Revolución
- 92- Take a picture with Abraham Lincoln on Paseo de los Héroes, the statue was a gift from the US government
- 93- Have a rib-eye steak at La Carnicería Steak House, a hip restaurant in the Restaurant District
- 94- Accompany your artisan tequila with live mariachi music at La Vuelta Restaurant
- 95- Listen to a traditional Mexican music group called a trio outside of the Palacio Azteca Hotel
- 96- Experience the Moorish architecture of El Foro, formerly the Jai Alai Palace
- 97- Bust a move on one of the multiple dance floors at Las Pulgas Disco Bar
- 98- Play a game of dominos at Rubén Hood Bar on Aguacaliente Avenue
- 99- Enjoy the ocean view on the scenic drive from Tijuana to Rosarito
- 100- Buy traditional Mexican candy at El Popo Market
- 101- Take a tour of the local vineyards with Ecobaja Tours, a Tijuana-based tour company
- 102- Drink one of their excellent Mojitos at El Lugar del Nopal, a relaxed restaurant/bar that also has salsa lessons
- 103- Celebrate Mexican Independence Day with fireworks at the City Hall on September 15th
- 104- Take a picture of the Agua Caliente Casino minaret, a unique piece of Tijuana architecture, from Paseo de los Héroes
- 105- Visit the new Monument of Hope located in the Otay Industrial Zone
- 106- Enjoy Spanish-style shrimp in a rustic setting at Asador Pamplona
- 107- Take the Boulevard 2000 to Popotla to see Tijuana's rural side
- 108- See a movie at any movie theater in Tijuana on a Wednesday and get the two-for-one special
- 109- Have a freshly made croissant and café au lait at Café Français
- 110- Learn more about Tijuana's history at the archives of the Palacio de Cultura
- 111- Try mezcal, a traditional Mexican drink, at La Mezcalera Bar on 6th Street between Avenida Revolución and Madero
- 112- Get fresh churros from one of the stands in Plaza Santa Cecilia
- 113- Sip on fresh coffee and enjoy independent film showings, art exhibitions and concerts at La Casa de la 9 Art Café
- 114- Discuss art with local artists at the Lui Velazquez Alternative Art Space in Colonia Federal
- 115- Visit the Museo de las Californias at CECUT, Tijuana's Cultural Center and learn about the history of Baja California
- 116- Enjoy the décor and steamed beef tacos at La Especial, but watch out for the salsa, it's hot!
- 117- Shop for duty free perfume at Sara's London Shop on Avenida Revolución
- 118- Take a picture of the Los Alamos Christ, located on a hill above the city
- 119- Party at Plaza Fiesta, where there's a pub or bar to fit everyone's style
- 120- Send us your idea!
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