

## **Fireflies Tour: Tlaxcala and Puebla**

**Please note this itinerary may be subject to change due to traffic conditions or other factors.**

### **Day 1: Tecoaque and Tlaxcala countryside, State of Tlaxcala**

Flights to Mexico City (from PV, Manzanillo or Guadalajara). Transfer to the archaeological site of Zultépec-Tecoaque (approximately 1 ¼ hours), in the state of Tlaxcala, inhabited by the Acolhua people (one of the three groups making up the Aztec Empire) from 450 - 1520, now thought to have been the site of capture and sacrifice of hundreds of Spanish conquistadors and their slaves on their way to arrest Hernán Cortes in 1520. Transfer to a ranch near the Magic Town of Nanacamilpa (approximately ½ hour) for dinner and accommodation.

### **Day 2: Pulque and Fireflies, state of Tlaxcala**

Wake up with stunning views of the state of Tlaxcala's countryside. Breakfast, followed by a tour of the ranch to learn about the production of Pulque in the area, a pre-hispanic alcoholic drink made from the Maguey plant. Evening transfer to Nanacamilpa (approximately 45 minutes) for a mystical evening walk through the forest in search of fireflies.

### **Day 3: Magic town of Tlatlauquitepec, state of Puebla**

Early transfer to the Magic Town of Tlatlauquitepec (approx. 3 ½ hours) in the state of Puebla. Founded in 1524, Tlatlauquitepec boasts a picturesque town square with the backdrop of the Cerro Cabezón, a prominent rock formation in the surrounding lush hillside. Optional activities, including Cerro Cabezon hike and zipline, suspension bridge, or coffee tour.

### **Day 4: Presa de la Soledad and the Fireflies, state of Puebla**

Relaxing morning to enjoy this beautiful Magic Town and the spectacular views from the hotel, followed by transfer to Presa de la Soledad (approx. 1 ½ hours), including a stop at the Cascada de Puxtla viewpoint. Late afternoon boat ride along the lake to enjoy the local wildlife in this tropical environment, followed by dinner in this amazing natural spot. Evening boat ride back to our vehicle for firefly observation (after dark). Transfer back to hotel (approx. 1 ½ hours).

### **Day 5: Tlaxcala City, State of Tlaxcala**

Morning transfer to the beautiful colonial city of Tlaxcala (approx. 2 ½ hours), the smallest state capital in Mexico. Afternoon city tour, including the Government Palace, once home to Hernán Cortes, and now famous for its stunning murals by Desiderio Hernández Xochitiotzin depicting the history of the area.

### **Day 6: Day tour in Tlaxcala**

Transfer to Mexico City airport for flights back to starting points.