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The Guelaguetza



The most representative of Oaxaca's many festivals, the 2012 edition of the Guelaguetza, will take place on the 23rd and 30th July in Oaxaca City.

Indigenous groups from eight traditional regions will gather for the celebrations. Each delegation, will offer a taste of their cultural heritage through traditional dance and music, wearing ceremonial costumes from their respective communities.

Guelaguetza is a Zapotec word that means the act of cooperative participation through the giving of gifts - an exchange of goods or favors that aims to establish a network of social contracts between members of the same community.

The original festival was dedicated to Caaquii, Pitao Cocobi and to Centeotl (deities of corn worshiped by Mixtecs, Zapotecs and

Aztecs). These early celebrations took place in the same place where they are celebrated today: the Cerro del Fortín, known then as Lao Nayyaloani Tani or Daninayaloani, which means the Cerro Bellavista. The festival is performed today very much as it was in the past, beginning on a Saturday with the exchange of gifts, following the Day of the Virgen del Carmen.

For seven days, there are many different activities such as handicrafts, culinary events and folkloric representations of the many diverse communities of the state, as well as exhibitions and concerts. With their beautiful tradition, the cultural groups of Oaxaca aim to share with visitors one of the best examples of the values of their ancestors: cooperation, generosity and sense of community; principles that give meaning to the Guelaguetza. [Click here to read more.](#) Article by **Con Acento Latino** - Spanish language and Latin culture.

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Beautiful Apartment for Rent – Club de Golf

3 rooms, 3.5 bathrooms, family, 4 parking spots, terrace. Common areas: pool, common garden, club membership included. **Rent: \$5,200USD**

Portal Polanco, Anahuac

1st level, 61 m2, 2 rooms, 2 bathrooms, 1 balcony, 1 parking spot. **Rent: \$9,200 MXN**

Furnished Apartment for Rent – Campos Eliseos, Polanco

186m2, 2 rooms, 2.5 bathrooms, furnished in modern style. Security 24/7. **Rent: \$4,000USD**

Amazing VIP PH for Rent or Sale - Polanco, Temistocles

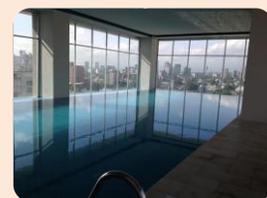
390 m2, 3 rooms, 3 bathrooms, 3 parking spots, Jacuzzi, fireplace, cinema, huge terrace. **Rent Unfurnished: \$5,500USD / Rent Furnished: \$6,000USD / Sale: \$940,000USD**

New Apartment for Rent – Gran Tower Polanco, Granada

Level 10, 3 rooms, 2 bathrooms, 120m2, 2 parking spots. Security 24/7. Close to Polanco. 2 pools, gym, spa, sky lounge, common gardens with playground, terrace, business centre. **Rent: \$28,500MXN**

Furnished Apartment for Rent – Ensenada, Condesa

Level 3, 91m2, 1 room, 1.5 bathrooms, 1 parking spot, 2 balconies. All services included. Short-terms. **Rent: \$12,000MXN.**



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6 Chairs
\$550.00 MXN

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Breakfast table
with 6 chairs



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Luxury House for Rent or Sale - Rancho Tetela, Cuernavaca

2,579 m2 and 761 m2 of construction, 5 rooms, 4 bathrooms. 2 pool, one indoor and one outdoor. Housekeeping, fireplace. Enough for 8 people. **Rent per night: \$ 8,500MX; Rent per month: \$70,000MX / Sale: \$1,500,000USD.**

Beautiful House for Rent – Xochitepec, Cuernavaca

988 M2 of construction and 2,500 M2 of garden. 5 rooms with bathroom and closet each. Spacious living and dining room. Equipped kitchen, Pool. Available for a year, months, weeks or weekends. **Rates upon request.**

Gorgeous House for Rent – Calacoaya, Estado de Mexico

850m2, 480m2 of construction, 4 rooms 3 bathrooms. Wonderful garden, 3 parking places. **Rent: \$21,500 MX**

Convenient Apartment for Rent – Ixtapa, Zona Hotelera

Close to Hotel Barceló. Totally furnished and equipped. 2 rooms and 2 bathrooms. **Rent: \$1,800MX - \$2,800MX**

Beautiful Apartment for Rent or Sale– Puerto Aventura, Cancun

130 square meters, 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. Equipped kitchen, air-conditioning, 1 parking space, pool. Located in front of the yacht port. **Rent: \$15,000.00 MXN / Sale: USD \$210,000**

Amazing Apartment for Rent – Cancun, La Isla

3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, equipped kitchen, walking closet. Air-conditioning, pool and jacuzzi. Located in front of the lagoon and yacht port. Club house, pool, tennis court. **Rent: USD\$3,500.00**





Should I buy a home in Mexico?

Buying a home is a common dilemma expats face when they arrive in Mexico. The reasons to buy come down to a personal choice, and depend on individual circumstances. However, there are certain things to look out for when choosing a home in Mexico, the decision depends on several factors, including how long you plan to stay, the current property market and the cost of mortgages.

To help you with this decision we've put together a few things to consider:

We strongly recommend to **rent a property in Mexico** during the first year or at least for 6 months before buying. During this time you can get a better picture of the neighborhoods and the real estate market according the value, location, year built, spaciousness and construction quality.

The first thing you need to find out is **where you would like to live**. Proximity of home to work is very important, this can significantly improve your quality of life. Making sure your home will be close to sports clubs, public transport, shopping centers and supermarkets is also important.

In Mexico, there are **no license laws regulating real estate brokerage** and sales. Anyone can offer real estate for sale, all the more reason to have prudence. Often expats, used to a highly organized real estate market, complain about incompetent agents and a lack of public records for house-price comparison.

Customarily, **the buyer pays 5 -7% of the appraised value of the property**. The % includes, the transfer tax; the fees to the *Notario Publico* (a special breed of lawyer) for title search, lien search, deed preparation and registration. The seller pays any capital gains tax and the agent's commission.

With any type of real estate acquisition, **foreigners always need to register the ownership** at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The rights to ownership are granted when the foreigner agrees to comply with Mexican law.

Real Estate agents might want you to believe that buying a property in Mexico is a "can't miss" investment. To figure out which option is better for you, **do a financial analysis and learn about recorded trends in housing prices** in areas you're interested in. You would like to buy a house that's going to retain its value.

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