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STATE BY STATE: GUERRERO

This state enjoys great popularity among Mexican and international tourists alike, largely thanks to one of the most famous and lively port cities in Mexico: Acapulco. The bay also forms part of the so-called Triangle of the Sun, which links up two other delights: Ixtapa-Zihuatanejo on the coast and Taxco inland, a town belong-



ing to the "magical towns," or "Pueblo Mágico" program. The state is criss-crossed by the southern and northern Sierra Madre, which means it is full of



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Grevgatan 3, 114 53, Stockholm. Tel: (46 8) 663-5170 Consular Section: (46 8) 120 00 716 Email: suecia@embamex.se Website: <u>www.embamex.se</u> mountains, valleys and lakes that provide plenty of opportunities for extreme sports.

Of particular interest are a series of caves, with spectacular stalactite and stalagmite formations, revealing the entrails of the earth and the unusual animals that live in it. Among the most impressive caves are Juxtlahuaca, Oxtotitlán and Cacahuamilpa, with the latter being the largest and most impressive. Such is its renown that it has provided the setting for films such as *Journey to the Center of the Earth*, with American actor Brendan Fraser, as well as for commercial film shoots for leading brands.

A great number of archeological areas are also located in Guerrero. A total of 1705 sites have been found here, of which seven are open for the enjoyment of visitors. These include Xochilapa, Palma Sola, Cuetlajuchitlán, Teopantecuanitlán, and Tehuacalco.

Traditional celebrations in the region include the *Tlacololero* Dance, originated in the municipality of Chichihualco; the festivities of Xilocruz and in Teopancalaquis; and the classic St. Mathew's fair held on December 24.

All of these celebrations incorporate some of the state's traditional music, which is played on drums, flutes, violins, and guitars, as well as the regional attire, the colors, flavors and atmosphere that enliven Mexican fiestas.











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MANO SANTA IN SWEDEN

The Embassy of Mexico is pleased to extend an invitation to a concert by Mano Santa, a group from the Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey campus Santa Fe, which is taking place on Monday, February 9 at 18:00 hrs. at Zita Folkets Bio, Birger Jarlsgatan 37, 111 45 Stockholm.



The entrance is free of charge; confirmation must be sent to:

gabriela.almgren@embamex.se.



NIKLAS MAT: FINE MEXICAN CUISINE ON SVT PLAY

Chef Niklas Ekstedt visits one of Mexico City's most famous restaurants, Pujol, and his creator Enrique Olvera, for his SVT cooking show, *Niklas mat*.

We invite you to watch this program that shares what real Mexican food is about. Niklas Ekstedt,, star of "Niklas Mat"

Watch the episode here.













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ANNUAL REUNION OF AMBASSADORS AND CONSULS

In January, Ambassador Agustín Gasca Pliego attended the XXVI Reunion of Ambassadors and Consuls of Mexico, who meet annually to discuss the priorities, advances and challenges of Mexican foreign policy. The meeting took place in Mexico City and was headed by Foreign Affairs Secretary José Antonio Meade Kuribreña.

Mexico had significant accomplishments in its international agenda for 2014, related, among others,



with the First High Level Meeting of the Global Alliance for Effective Cooperation for Development, the Iberoamerican Conference, the consolidation of ties and projects with the Caribbean region, the membership in the Pacific Alliance, the trade relation with China, and the opening of new Embassies and Consulates in Africa and the Arabic region.

JORGE MARÍN EXHIBITION CONCLUDES SUCCESSFULLY IN LATVIA

Mexican artist Jorge Marín's itinerant exhibition "The language of the body" has concluded its successful stay in Latvia. From November 10 to December 28 of 2014 visitors had the chance to appreaciate the artworks at the Riga City Council. Later on, from December 3 to January 16 of 2015, the exhibition moved to the "Dauderi" Department of the National History Museum of Latvia. In total, more than 2,200 people visited the exhibitions in this period, which shows how important Latvian public is to Mexico.



The Embassy of Mexico would like to thank Honorary Consul in Latvia, Mr. Carlos Arredondo, for his assistance in bringing Marín's works to the Baltic region, as well as extending a warm thanks to the Dauderí Department of the National History Museum of Latvia, specifically to Ms. Anna Zeibarte, for her invaluable coop-

Mexican Honorary Consul to Latvia Mr. Carlos Arredondo and Director of Dauderi Department Ms. Anna Zeibārte at the inauguration of the Jorge Marín exhibit.











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he National Commission for Protected Areas has stated that the gray whale is being protected in Mexican waters through federal oversight programs. From December through March, the whales travel from the cold seas of Alas-



ka to the warmer waters of the Sea of Cortés, in Baja California Sur.

The Commissioner for Natural Protected Areas, Luis Fuevo MacDonald, pointed out that the gray whale's well-being is assured in Mexican waters through government supervision processes, which have already registered 520 specimens in the San Ignacio and Ojo de Liebre lagoons, in the state of Baja California Sur.

In Ojo de Liebre, 406 whales have been registered; 141 calves and 265 adults, which presents an 8 percent increase in births compared to last season. In San Ignacio lagoon, 114 specimens were counted, 34 calves and 80 adults, which is a threefold increase from the 2013-2014 season.

Over a period of nearly 20 years of monitoring and counting the gray whales in Mexico, a marked population increase has been recorded, with the total number of registered births reaching nearly 12 thousand calves.



Around three thousand species of marine animals live in the Sea of Cortés. This astounding biological diversity has made it one of the most renown natural areas in the world; Jacques Cousteau called it "the largest aquarium in the world."











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MEXICAN WINES AND BEERS AT SYSTEMBOLAGET

A selection of wines from the Baja California Sur vineyard L.A. Cetto is now available for sale at Sweden's government owned chain of liquor stores, Systembolaget. The variety of wines includes Petite Syrah, Chardonnay, and Cabernet Sauvignon. The Petite Syrah is for sale in stores and the other varieties are available upon order.



Also, later this year, a new brand of Mexican beer named Cucapá will be on offer as well.



Don't miss the opportunity to try these delicious imports from Mexico!

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