

SAN LUIS POTOSÍ

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SAN LUIS
POTOSÍ

A guide to visit the best places in the city



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— SAN LUIS POTOSÍ

The city was founded in 1592 and declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 2010. *San Luis* comes from the King of France Louis IX; *Potosí* refers to the mines of Potosí in Bolivia.

In the 17th century San Luis was the most important city in northern Mexico, due to the deposits of gold and silver found in nearby Cerro de San Pedro. If you have some time, it is definitely worth giving this old mining town and its beautiful deserts a visit.

San Luis will amaze you with its rich history, stunning architecture and abundance of culture. If you have the chance, stay a couple of days to discover all that this city has to offer.

Visit one of the many museums, admire the beautiful churches, walk around the historical town or take a stroll in Tangamanga: the second largest urban park in Mexico. Too hot to walk? Hop on the city tour bus that departs from Plaza de Armas. Or simply sit down at one of the squares, enjoy the peacefulness of the city, and watch its inhabitants pass by.



ONE DAY IN SAN LUIS

- Start your day with some gorditas for breakfast in the Morales district.
- Go around downtown in the city bus - departing from Plaza de Armas.
- Walk down Calzada de Guadalupe and visit the Leonora Carrington Museum.
- Take a little lunch break at the terrace of La Oruga y La Cebada.
- Got some room left for dessert? Try the delicious Chocolates Costanzo. There are multiple stores in town.
- Visit Museo de la Máscara, dedicated to Mexico's masked dance and ritual heritage.
- Drink a mezcal at La Piquería or a craft beer at Callejón 7B.
- Enjoy enchiladas potosinas and tacos rojos in Antojitos El Pozole.
- Stroll around Plaza de Armas and Plaza del Carmen at night.

GOT SOME EXTRA TIME?

- Discover the Tangamanga Park.
- Take a hike at Presa San José.
- Go on a little trip to Cerro de San Pedro - 21km from the city and approx. half an hour by car.



— MUSEUMS

If you love arts and culture, San Luis is the place to be! The city is home to various museums and annual festivities. From contemporary art to surrealism, music and Mexican history: there is something for everyone. Cultural events are often poorly promoted, but luckily the tourism office of San Luis gives out a monthly cultural agenda in which upcoming events and concerts are listed. In August, Feria Nacional Potosina takes place. In April, the Holy Week is celebrated with concerts, exhibitions and other activities.

Centro de las Artes y Museo Leonora Carrington

The complex that now houses the San Luis Arts Centre was originally built in the 19th century to serve as a state prison. The CEART is an institute dedicated to education, production and dissemination of art. Amongst others it houses a museum that features the work of surrealist sculptress Leonora Carrington and presents other temporary exhibits. Part of Carrington's work can also be found in a museum in her honor in Xilitla. Open 10-18 Tue - Sun. 50 MXN. Free on Wed.

Museo Nacional de la Máscara

Housed in a beautiful historic monument, the museum is dedicated to traditions and symbolism of masks in Mexican culture. With 1,300 pieces, it hosts Mexico's largest mask collection. The masks come from various ethnic traditions and mostly represent animals, devils, demons, saints, conquistadores, angels, and fantastic creatures.

Open 10-18 Tue-Fri, 10-15 Sun-Mon, 10-17 Sat. 20 MXN (+ camera fee). Free on Tue.



Based in an old passenger train station, this museum shows exhibitions about - want to take a guess? - trains and their impact on Mexican history. The old Monastery station was a central point in perhaps the most important train route in the country, which connected the country's capital to the United States.

Open 9-17 Tue-Fri, 11-17 Sat & Sun. 15 MXN.

Museo del Ferrocarril



Located in the Aranzazú square, the museum displays an important collection of pre-Hispanic artifacts from the Tamtoc Archaeological site, Mesoamerican cultures and customs of the first settlers of the area. Open 9-18 Tue-Sun. 55 MXN. Free on Sun.

Museo Regional Potosino

Museo del Virreinato

Next to the gorgeous Templo del Carmen, the museum displays a permanent collection consisting of colonial art, religious themes, antiquities, sacred art, and portraits. The various exhibitions take you on a historical journey from the fall of Tenochtitlán to the Mexican Independence. Open 10-19 Tue-Sat, 10-17 Sun. 15 MXN.

The Contemporary Art Museum annually presents four to five temporary exhibitions. For every new exhibition, the art space consisting of 5 rooms transforms completely. The focus lies on current artistic manifestations like video art, photography, and sound art. Open 10-18 Tue-Sat, 10-14 Sun. 20 MXN. Free on Sun.

Museo de Arte Contemporáneo

Museo Interactivo Laberinto de las Ciencias y las Artes

Located in the Tangamanga Park, this interactive museum invites its visitors to explore its labyrinths and, in a playful way, learn more about science, art, and technology. Open 11-16 Mon-Fri. 11-18 Sat & Sun. 50 MXN.

— DISCOVER THE CITY BY FOOT

The best way to fall in love with the city is by foot. We gathered some of our favourite sites for you: great to visit both during the day and the evening, when the city lights turn the squares into truly romantic spots. All spots are less than 500 meters from the hostel and safe to walk around.

- Plaza del Carmen
- Plaza de Armas
- Plaza Fundadores
- Plaza de Aranzazú
- Jardín de San Francisco
- Calzada de Guadalupe



Tangamanga Park

With its 420 hectares, Tangamanga is the second-largest city park in Mexico. It has a lake, several recreational areas and within its limits lays the Museo Laberinto de las Ciencias y las Artes: a beautiful interactive science museum. The park is located 3km from the hostel and is open daily from 6 - 19 (on Mondays till 11).

— Where to go for breakfast?

Gorditas de Morales

Gorditas and Sopes

Av. Paseo de los Derechos Humanos

09:00 - 23:00

Closed: Tuesday

La Parroquia Potosina

Traditional Mexican Diner

Venustiano Carranza 303

07:00 - 00:00 (Sun 23:00)

Gorditas Guerrero

Gorditas and Wheat Tortilla Tacos

Vicente Guerrero 845

09:00 - 17:30

Closed: Sunday

Café Corta'o

Molletes and Coffee

Independencia 1150

08:30 - 13:30 and 17:00 - 21:30

Closed: Sunday

Mercado Hidalgo

Local Food

Miguel Hidalgo S/N

08:00 - 20:00

El Rincón de mi Barrio

Gorditas and Sopes, half-block away.

Prol Pedro Vallejo 145

07:00 - 15:00

Closed: Saturdays and Sundays

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— WHERE TO GO FOR LUNCH?

La Oruga y la Cebada

Great terrace and food!

Universidad 169

12:00 - 01:00 (Sun - Mon 22:00)

Croque La Vie

Good restaurant a block away

Universidad 260

09:00 - 00:00 (We - Sa)

09:00 - 20:00 Sun - Tue, Su 10:00

Fitos III

Tortas only half a block away. Delicious!

Prol Pedro Vallejo 135

10:00 - 15:00

Tacos El Vaquero

Barbacoa, beef, pork and chorizo

Prol Pedro Vallejo 416

18:30 - 23:30

Closed: Sunday

Antojitos San Miguelito

Enchiladas Potosinas and Tacos Rojos

Prol Pedro Vallejo 605

09:00 - 23:30, Sun 22:30

Antojitos El Pozole

Enchiladas Potosinas, Tacos

Rojos, Pozole

Damián Carmona 205

12:00 - 23:30

Closed: Monday

La Posada del Virrey

Traditional Mexican dishes

Jardín Hidalgo 3

07:00 - 00:00

Tortería Los Portales

Mexican Tortas

Julián de los Reyes S/N

10:00 - 21:00

— WHERE TO GO FOR DINNER?

Taquería La Flama

Pastor Tacos for 6 pesos

Calzada Guadalupe 302

17:00 - 00:00

Tacos Los Alambres

Tacos and Gringas

Ignacio Zaragoza 800

18:00 - 00:00

Pedestrian Street Ignacio Zaragoza

Small food stands (09.00 - 22.00)

- Elotes
- Molletes
- Grasshoppers
- Tamales
- 'Nata' Gorditas
- Ice cream



COFFEE AND SWEETS

Kaffee Kunst

Coffee shop with DELICIOUS! cakes.

Universidad 133

08:00 - 23:00 Mon - Sat

Closed: Sunday

Café La Pizca

Enjoy a great coffee with a good book

Universidad 285

09:00 - 20:00 (Sat 14:00)

Closed: Sunday

Cineteca Alameda

Art cinema movie theater

Universidad 575

Check schedule at:

cinetecaalameda.net

Café Bistro Berlín

Av. Nicolas Zapata 815-A, De

Tequisquiapan

07.00 - 22.00

Chocolates Costanzo

The best chocolates in town!

Calle 5 de Mayo 165 (multiple locations)

09.00 - 20.30 Mon - Sat

11.00 - 19.00 Sun

A NIGHT OUT IN SAN LUIS

La Piquería Mezcalería

Pulque and Mezcal

Independencia 1190

14:00 - 02:00 Wed-Thu, Sun: 22:00

Closed: Mon - Tue

Callejón 7B

Craft beer Pub

Universidad 153

16:30 - 23:45 Mo - Th, 16:30 - 01:00 Fri

14:00 - 01:00 Sat - Sun

Rockabilly

Beers and different types of music

Universidad 153

21:00 - 04:30 Thu - Sat

Pócimas Galería

Drinks and dancing

Independencia esq. Guerrero

20:00 - 04:00 Wed - Sun

La Santa Rock House

Rock!

Mariano Escobedo 125

12:00 - 03:00 Mon - Sun

La Bamba Salsa Club

Latin Dancing

Pascual M. Hernandez 210

21:00 - 05:00 Thu - Sun



— EXPLORE THE SURROUNDINGS

Looking for a place to hike or just relax outside the city? Pay a visit to the dam (presa)! During the weekend there are some food stands around. Located 9km from the hostel and reachable by bus.

Presa San José

Cerro de San Pedro

In the 17th century, gold and silver was found in Cerro de San Pedro. After the gold rush the town got semi-abandoned. Nowadays, it is a popular tourist destination with its beautiful buildings, churches and deserty surroundings. Located 21km (half an hour drive) from the hostel.

On Sundays, you will have a chance to attend a traditional Mexican show at Rancho del Charro: Charrería*, which is an equestrian show comparable to rodeo. A ticket costs 40 MXN.

Jarripeo

**Some of the activities involve capturing or tying up animals.*

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— PRACTICAL INFORMATION

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ATM

Plaza Fundadores

Exit to the right and turn right again at the corner until the street ends. There are several banks at that square.

Market *Mercado Tangamanga*

Jardín Colón S/N

08:00 - 19:30 Mon - Sun (Sun 14:30)

Exit to the left and right on the pedestrian street. Walk 3 blocks straight ahead to the garden and find the market on your left.

Convenience Store *Oxxo*

Prol Pedro Vallejo 503

07:00 - 23:00 Mon - Sun

Exit to the right and turn left at the corner. Walk all the way to the yellow church at the end of the street.

Currency Exchange

Banco Azteca

Álvaro Obregón 430

09:00 - 21:00 Mon - Sun

Exit to the right and turn right again at the corner. Walk till the street ends and turn right.

Supermarket *Aurrera*

Reforma 600

08:00 - 22:00 Mon - Sun

Exit to the left and turn left at the corner. Walk 15 minutes till you get to Reforma and turn right.

Pharmacy *Farmacia Guadalajara*

Ignacio Zaragoza 515

07:00 - 22:00 Mon - Sun

Exit to the left and find the store on the second corner.

Parking Lot *Estacionamiento Morelos*

Morelos 1310

08:00 - 21:00 Mon - Sun (Sun 17:30)

Exit to the left and turn right on the third corner. Pass two blocks and on your right. No pick-up trucks or large vans. Night Pension: 144 MXN/12 hours.

Parking Lot

Parking Meter Area / Downtown Area
08:00 - 20:00 Mon - Sat
Parking machines. 8 MXN per hour.

Postal Office *Correos de México*

Universidad 526A
08:00 - 18:00 Mon - Sat (Sat 11:45)
Exit to the left. First corner to the left.
At the second corner, Universidad, take
a right. It will be past the second
corner on the right side.

Printing and Copies *Cyber Vallejo*

Prol Pedro Vallejo 400
Exit to the right and turn left at the
corner. The store is on the third
corner.

Hospital *Cruz Roja* (Red Cross)

Calzada Guadalupe 540
24 Hours. Exit to the left and right on
the pedestrian street. Walk 1km and
you will find it on your right side.

Central de Autobuses *Terminal Terrestre Potosina*

There is only one terminal in the city.
Take bus 6 at Alameda. Alameda is just
a few meters past the Postal Office.
Open 24 hours.

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