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MARRIOTT RESORT
PUERTO VALLARTA

Bienvenidos a Mexico

Nestled on a sandy strip between the Sierra Madre Mountains and Banderas Bay, Marriott Puerto Vallarta Resort & Spa offers a fully reimagined beachfront retreat via 433 Jalisco-inspired rooms and suites, a dynamic mix of indoor and outdoor restaurant concepts, a spectacular poolscape, and the destination's most expansive spa – a perfect retreat for travelers craving a beach-meets-mountains escape with a side of Puerto Vallarta's distinctive colorful culture.

sleep

433 Jalisco-inspired guest rooms and suites overlook the infinity pool and bay, with decorative accents such as custom-made wallpaper representative of the agave plant.

play

Soak in the resort's newly upgraded infinity pool with a coconut refreshment in hand. Take up paddle boarding on the Pacific. Release baby sea turtles or book a tequila tasting. Beyond the resort grounds, from golf to colorful festivals to art shopping, there is no shortage of ways to play.

spa

The size alone impresses. At 22,000 square feet, Ohtli Spa is the largest in Puerto Vallarta. Don't miss the unexpected Thai massage or hydrotherapy "rebirth" sessions.

meet

From tequila tastings to creative and colorful event set-ups, groups are in for an all-encompassing experience within the resort's 63,000 square feet of outdoor/indoor event space.

eat

Six restaurants - Las Casitas, Mikado, La Estancia, Champions Sports Bar, Ceviche & Tequila Bar, and NOSH, the new poolside bar serving up sunset bites and bay views, offer authentic dishes featuring both local and international flavors.



WHAT'S NEW

Discover the Lights of the Pacific

not your average resort pool

Marriott Puerto Vallarta Resort & Spa enters a new decade with a reimagined concept. Most recently, the resort unveiled a spectacular upgrade to its infinity pool, having relocated the swim-up bar for full 180-degree views of Banderas Bay and its iconic mountains. Toward the edge of the pool, towering palm trees sway to the ocean breeze, connected with festive hammocks from where to take in the Puerto Vallarta sun and sights.

nosh on this

By day, guests will enjoy cooling off with a beverage at Nosh, a new and more modern swim-up bar concept with a second level that serves sunset bites (and views) by night. Patrons can expect locally inspired “chilled” cuisine such as fresh tostadas piled high with bay-caught seafood.

inspired rooms and suites

The completion of the new pool and Nosh caps off a series of renovations that began in 2017, and include renovations to the resort’s 433 upscale, ocean-facing guest rooms and suites. Think calming blue and sand tones and splashes of colorful accents. Bathrooms have also been transformed with new glass showers for a more modern chic beach retreat feel.

open air lobby

The lobby entrance - now an open-air layout - offers a playful contemporary vibe complete with swinging pods from where to take in views of the bay and mountains beyond. Treat yourself with a cone (or cup) from the new Blue Bell ice cream parlor. While you may be tempted to stay there all day, don't miss....

ceviche and tequila bar

...boasting an impressive wall of 180 different tequilas that pair well with a fresh and creative approach on ceviche. A few steps closer to the ocean, you'll spot a raised pool deck area with cocoon daybeds and a poolside Coco Bar serving fresh chilled coconut water and cocktails.



Accommodations

Whatever room you're in, rest assured you'll have a private balcony or terrace with views of the bay beyond. Inspired by typical elements of the state of Jalisco, 433 rooms were recently renovated with calming earth and water tones and decorative accents, including custom-made wallpaper representative of the agave plant. Bathrooms have also been transformed with new glass showers.

reasons not to leave your room

- Private balcony or terrace
 - Floor-to-ceiling windows
 - Spacious marble bathroom
 - LCD television and high-speed Internet access
 - Desk and ergonomic chair
 - Locally inspired decor
- ...and don't forget that amazing Marriott bedding!

the suite life

Upgrade your room experience to one of 28 spacious suites with amenities that include a separate living area, sofa bed and walk-in closet. Book the Ambassador Suite and you'll have a large terrace complete with a whirlpool jacuzzi from where to soak up the spectacular views.

PRO TIP:

From November to April, there's a chance you can spot Humpback whales right from your balcony!





Buen Provecho

la estancia

Open for breakfast & dinner, offering bountiful buffets. **Must Try:** Made-to-order chilaquiles with green sauce!

las casitas

Open for breakfast, lunch & dinner. Enjoy fresh salads, prime cut steaks and fresh seafood served up with ocean views. **Must Try:** Table-side guacamole.

ceviche and tequila bar

180 different tequilas, 12 draft beers, hand-crafted cocktails and fresh ceviches. **Must Try:** The signature Hamachi and coconut ceviche.

champions sports bar

Catch the “big game” with all-American fare. **Must Try:** Cheese fries with a cold Modelo Especial, a local fave!

mikado

Dinner with a show! Authentic Japanese teppanyaki (table-side hibachi) and sushi are freshly prepared in this Asian- inspired restaurant. **Must Try:** The Mikado sushi roll with tobiko.

nosh

Snag the best seat in the house to catch that iconic Puerto Vallarta sunset. **Must Try:** Cold seafood tostada – piled high!



The Ohtli Spa

At 22,000 square feet, Ohtli Spa is more than just the largest in Puerto Vallarta - it's also the most original. Here you'll experience unexpected, transformative treatments such as the water-based Jantzu Rebirth Therapy and authentic Thai Massage, along with others inspired by the local Huichol tribal culture.

highlights

In addition to 12 treatment rooms, the Iyari Grand Luxury Suite is a 280 square foot private room designed for those who want a piece of the Ohtli Spa to themselves. Couples, bridal parties or even celebrities seeking a paparazzi-free escape love this space. For the full experience, arrive a little early to warm up (or cool off) in the Roman tub, cold plunge pool and foot bath, and take full advantage of the sauna and steam rooms.

signature treatments

Jantzu Rebirth Therapy - performed in a pool of warm water, this therapy is focused on meditation and relaxation.

Fire Opal Balancing Stone Therapy - features the dramatic Mexican Fire Opal which is said to stimulate circulation and relieve stress.

Thai Massage - an ancient therapeutic procedure providing relaxation and balance in various body centers, as well as healthy blood circulation.



The Group Experience

Groups can't get enough of Puerto Vallarta's authentic Mexican charm and friendly atmosphere. From locally inspired team building activities to creative, colorful, and themed set-ups, groups can choose to host their event in spaces ranging from a sunset reception atop Nosh, the resort's new poolside bar, to a more traditional ballroom setting.

group love

- Special parties such as a Frida Kahlo themed bash.
- No such thing as too much mole. A Mole Bar offers red, yellow and Puebla style moles.
- Plenty of takeaways, including a palate for fine tequila.


tequila 101

It's all about tequila goals. Whatever your level, there's a course for you: Tequila 101, Tequila 2.0 and Tequila Snob. Tastings are led by the resort's Tequilier and are accompanied by small bites.

highlights around town

- Tee off at the nearby Marina Vallarta Club de Golf.
- Whale watching excursions (November - March).
- Vallarta Food Tours, highlighting various aspects of PV's culinary scene, including "The Street" - An Evening Taco Adventure.

GOOD TO KNOW

- 54,000 square feet of outdoor venue space and 9,000 square feet of indoor meeting space with the capacity to host events for up to 700.
 - Marriott PV offers a "groups all-inclusive" booking option for planners who prefer to book on one-price terms.
 - Groups can "green" their meetings with Marriott's Spirit to Preserve program.
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Tequila Education Program

Learn the history of this popular Mexican spirit with a proper tasting. Marriott Puerto Vallarta grows its own blue agave on property in the cactus garden, and is one of only a few resorts in the world with a proprietary brand of tequila. Its five varieties include: *blanco*, *joven*, *reposado*, *añejo* and *extra añejo*.

meet audrey

Authentic Mexican tequila, such as the CasaMagna tequila, is made to be “sipped” in order to savor the flavor. An art form that requires the proper training, the resort offers the expertise of Audrey Formisano, Tequilier, who hosts weekly tastings in La Cava wine cellar. The program was developed to educate guests in the name of good, Mexican tequila.

If you're a Marriott Rewards member, you can enjoy the experience on the house, otherwise the cost is \$15 USD. Additionally, the resort offers more than 60 brands, with 180 different tequilas by the glass

PRO TIP:

If you're planning a small private tasting, request to book it in the Herb Garden under twinkling string lights at the handcrafted wooden table surrounded by the scents of herbs and a variety of chili plants.





Weddings

SAY I DO IN PARADISE

Marriott's certified wedding planners are trained to coordinate weddings of all types, including ethnic, LGBTQ, military ceremonies and more. Relying on experience, tradition and old-fashioned intuition, Marriott's event experts can help dreams become reality.

With a variety of elegant spaces, custom catering and personalized service, lovebirds can expect the team at Marriott to take their wedding wish list and transform it into an event to remember.



PRO TIP:

Couples can opt for the Jetty, a picturesque "aisle" surrounded by water with views of downtown Puerto Vallarta and then top off the ceremony with a festive fireworks.

the kids club *La Familia*

The Marriott Kids area offers little ones a chance to play on the playground, eat at picnic tables with family and cool off in the large, but shallow (1.64 ft) swimming pool. Creative programs encourage kids to learn about Mexican culture with Spanish lessons, barro-clay pottery painting, bilingual folktales and even cooking lessons. The cost of \$30 per day per child includes lunch, t-shirt and discovery adventure booklet.

family fun in pv

- Set sail on an authentic Spanish pirate ship with a family-friendly, all-day cruise that disembarks at Majahuitas Island, and includes a variety of experiences such as snorkeling, kayaking, banana boat rides, surfing, volleyball, and a special pirate stunt show.
- Adventurous families can get their adrenaline pumping while exploring Puerto Vallarta's tropical forest from the air. Eight different canopy options are offered in the Sierra Madre, each with spectacular views.
- There is no shortage of cultural family experiences, from the annual Dia de los Muertos festivities and parade, to the Dia de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe Festival celebrations and traditions.

activity center

Kayaks, paddle boards, bikes and more available at the Activities Center.





sea turtle rescue program

Between June and November, biologists commissioned by Marriott comb the beaches to preserve and protect sea turtle nesting areas. Since the program started, more than 4,000 nests have been incubated at the hotel's nursery, and over 1,200 incubated naturally at the beach. This is a family favorite. Children staying at the resort have the chance to name their tiny sea turtles, gather at sunset with their families to wish them luck and set them free to return to the ocean.

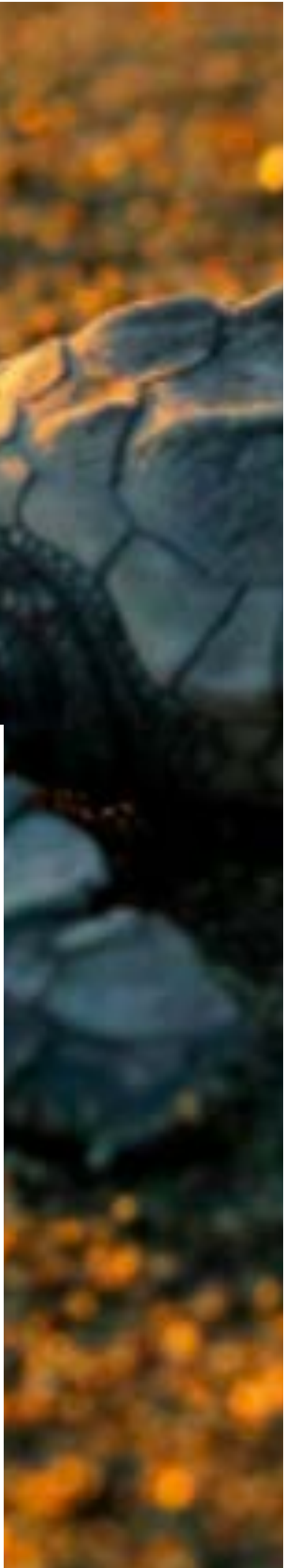
jalisco at your table

The hotel's executive chef and kitchen staff put their heads and palates together to develop a special, seven-course "Jalisco at your Table" menu with recipes inspired by their childhoods and time spent in their mothers' and abuelas' kitchens. From the pillowy tamale to authentic Birria tacos, this culinary homage to the state of Jalisco is a delicious add-on for travelers hungry to take a bite out of the local culture.

fresh catch

Every Friday and Saturday morning, a local fisherman drops off a cooler of the day's fresh catch and brings it to the chef. The chef lays out the offerings on ice, where guests pick their fish of choice for dinner.

More to Love





Discover Puerto Vallarta

If you love a beachfront escape as much as you do the mountains, Puerto Vallarta, located between the Sierra Madre Mountains and Banderas Bay, is the place for you. A charming, friendly town with an authentic Mexican vibe, Puerto Vallarta offers a vibrant culinary and arts scene, highlighted by local festivals such as the Puerto Vallarta Gourmet Festival and the Guadalupe Processions, honoring the town's patron saint.

GET THERE

Puerto Vallarta's international airport (Licenciado Gustavo Díaz Ordaz International Airport) is served by 12 major airlines including Aeromexico, Alaska Airlines, WestJet, American Airlines, Continental Airlines, Delta Airlines, US Airways, United and Virgin America, with direct flights from major US cities including Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, Las Vegas, Minneapolis, New York City, Oakland, Portland, Saint Louis, Salt Lake City, San Diego, San Jose, San Francisco, Orange County, and Seattle.

DO

- For friends of the water: deep-sea fishing, boat tours to Las Caletas (a private cove for swimming), Marietas Island for snorkeling.
- For the adventurous type: jungle canopy zip-line tours, ATV jungle treks, hiking, biking and horseback riding.
- For the culture seekers: join in on the seasonal celebrations of Dia de los Muertos and the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.
- For the animal lover: birding tours to spot 355 different species, humpback whale watching (Nov. – April).
- For the foodies: take a street eats tour through downtown Puerto Vallarta.



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