# INTRODUCTION TO A GREAT TIME IN PUERTO VALLARTA Luxury Beachfront Home and Many Tropical Vacation Pleasures

Also see our Websites -- PV5star.com and PV4fun.com

# A. ENTIRE FOURTH FLOOR ON THE BEACH - TOWER ONE - MDA 301

*Molino de Agua is the premier complex in the heart of town*. In Tower One, which is the only portion directly on the beach, we occupy the entire fourth floor (3,678 square feet)

One of few Tower One rental units, we offer ocean views in all rooms, ocean breezes, and wrap-around balcony with 270-degree views. Our fourth-floor elevation provides great vantage points, privacy, and easy access.

For groups that desire three private bedrooms with connecting bathrooms, this is one of few options at Molino de Agua. While almost all in this complex are advertised as "three-bedroom", 93% have only two bedrooms plus an open den with a bed and no attached bathroom. Also, while advertised often as "beachfront", all of these condos (Tower 2 through Tower 10) are interior.

Our website, *PV5star.com*, includes 115 photos and helpful details. The benefits of our location and layout are presented in webpages titled "<u>Tower One Benefits</u>", "<u>Entire</u> <u>Beachfront Floor</u>", "<u>Optimum Beachfront Level</u>", and "<u>Condo Comparisons</u>".

We look forward to helping you get the most out of your vacation. Before you travel, you will be introduced to our Private Property Manager. By email, phone, and text, I will be available before and during your vacation to answer questions and assist.

# B. MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR PUERTO VALLARTA VACATION

To help with vacation planning, our 16-page "FACTS & FUN" welcoming package is sent when a reservation is made. It includes more information about our vacation home, Puerto Vallarta, and the surrounding area. For now, more details about activities and restaurants can be viewed on our websites -- PV5star.com and PV4fun.com.

# C. ACTIVITIES WE TRY TO FIT INTO MOST OF OUR PUERTO VALLARTA VACATIONS

# 1. Evening of Arrival

The evening of our arrival, we often dine on the sand at *La Palapa* and enjoy a beautiful sunset. A 5-minute walk south on or along the beach, this restaurant is just beyond the local pier. *La Palapa* has US prices but offers touches that will make you feel that you are in another world. For the first night or a special occasion, another favorite is *Hacienda San Angel*. Anyone who is familiar with Puerto Vallarta knows already that there are many more great restaurants here than one can fit into a vacation.

#### 2. Almost every Morning

You can get a great start with breakfast at any of many wonderful restaurants or by walking north along the *Malecon*, which is oceanfront, or south on the beach past a statue of a *"Boy on a Seahorse"*. Consider swimming along the way or at the secluded south end. Pelicans and prehistoric frigate birds could be your companions. During winter months, keep an eye out for dolphins and whales. If you like snorkeling, and have gear and a snorkeling partner, beautiful tropical fish can be found off the rocks at the south end of our beach when seas are calm enough.

# 3. Every Night

Along the *Malecon*, every night is festive. From our vacation home, the town square and the old church are five blocks away. On Sunday and Thursday evenings a band plays in the town square for outdoor dancing. Like so many other activities here, this provides a sense of joy of life. Live music, laughter, and great dining choices are found everywhere. From our balcony or the *Malecon*, fireworks from the very fun pirate ship *Mirigalante* can be seen nightly. We are in the heart of town, where every night can be enjoyed in many ways. As well, our expansive, beachfront, heated pool always is ready.

#### 4. Trip in a Small Boat to Isolated Beaches to the South

To the south, we enjoy day trips to any and all of six beaches that are accessible only by boat – *Las Animas, Colomitas, Quimixto, Majahuitas, Yelapa*, and *Pizota*. In a small private boat with gear provided, one can fish and snorkel, or stop in secluded spots. Options include snorkeling around *Los Arcos Islands*, which is a marine preserve. Usually, in the winter, whales, dolphins, and giant manta rays can be seen. Stops for swimming, hikes to waterfalls, and dining on a beach can be part of the fun.

Early in the day, larger boats depart for *Yelapa* from a marina 25 minutes to the north. We set our own time, get to more remote beaches, do more, avoid crowds, and have more fun at less cost by chartering a private boat for up to 10 people from Sergio's Boat Tours at *Boca de Tomatlan*. This is a small fishing village that is 25 minutes south on a scenic road. It is the best starting point by far. Good transportation options include taxis and vans. Often, we use a local bus that departs nearby every 10 minutes.

#### 5. Nearby Canopy River Zip Line Experience and ATV Jungle Trip

In mountains behind us, which are part of the Sierra Madres, we often enjoy the Canopy River Zip Line. Here, in the tropical jungle, zip lines extend through dense vegetation and across the upper Rio Cuale River. Dip into the river at the end and ride back on a donkey. Get an interesting tequila lecture and tasting experience. Canopy River also has the best ATV and other jungle/river experiences. Anytime, we can help you get substantial discounts on these activities with reservations with no payments in advance.

# 6. Swimming with Dolphins and Sea Lions – Great Family Experience and Treat for All

Vallarta Adventures operates a world-class Dolphin and Sea Lion Center with offerings that are better than anything we have experienced in Hawaii, Florida, and California. With our young grandson, we never miss the "Dolphin Signature Swim" and "Sea Lion Experience". Both are incredible, family fun opportunities. Discounts of up 15% to 50% can be obtained at times with advanced bookings online. This professional, service-oriented, tour organization offers a wide variety of fascinating activities. *Plan ahead and get 50% discounts online on Black Friday*, the day after US Thanksgiving Day.

# 7. Sayulita – Lively, Small Surfing Town

Time permitting, we often fit in a trip to *Sayulita*, a small beach town that offers the best surfing and boogie boarding. We have lunch at *Don Pedro*'s restaurant. Then, in front of Don Pedro's, we rent beach chairs with umbrellas at good rates. One can rent boogie boards, take surfing lesions, swim, rent ATVs, or just relax. Also, there are many small shops in this quaint, active place. *Sayulita* is a one-hour drive north. Consider renting a car. If you have a group of six or more, ask about private van services.

#### 8. Daily Pleasures

Every day and night, enjoy friendly people, culture, dining, music, activities, beach, ocean, tropical surroundings, peace, and solitude. It is easy to fill every minute with great experiences. It is equally easy to just relax and enjoy the beach, ocean, expansive infinity pool, tropical grounds, beautiful surroundings, ocean breezes, and the sounds of ocean waves. Most of the year, our swim-up pool bar and restaurant add to pleasures.

#### **D. OUR DISCOVERIES**

If my wife and I didn't have family in California, we would spend most of our days in Puerto Vallarta. We are enamored with this town and the surrounding area.

About 30 years ago, we purchased our first beachfront condo in PV. Our home at Molino de Agua was acquired 10 years ago, pre-construction, through connections before there was a sales office. As the first to purchase, we had our choice of locations and levels. Using our experience, we picked what we believe to be the optimum for pleasure, views, convenience, and privacy. We hope you will discover the same.

# E. GUEST BOOKS AND INPUT FROM OTHERS

Our Guest Books are full of comments and helpful hints. We benefit from input from others, and hope you, as a future guest will share your experiences.

Almost two-thirds of our rental guests have stayed with us before. We look forward to serving you...and to welcoming you back time after time.

Frequent comments that our Private Property Manager and I receive from first-time rental guests are (1) "Wow!", (2) "This home is more stunning than photos show.", and (3) "This has been one of our best vacations."

It means a lot to us to know that our guests have a great time. We hope to hear the same from you and your family or friends, and will do our best to help you have one of your best tropical vacations.

Sincerely, Skip Everett

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HELPFUL TIPS: Whether you plan to cook at home or simply purchase items to enjoy at times, consider van arrangements with a stop at Walmart or Costco when arriving at the airport. Many of our guests use and appreciate this service. Our Property Manager can help with these arrangements if you are interested. In addition, if you desire, she can help with in-house chef services with clean-up provided.