

CANTONA & CHEESES – Unlimited Experiences

Duration: 9 hours

Difficulty: Intermediate

Format: Transportation + Archaeological Walking Tour

A Lost City Among Volcanoes and a Lagoon from Another Planet

A lost city among volcanoes and a lagoon from another planet. Cantona is one of Mexico's best-kept secrets: a monumental pre-Hispanic city surrounded by volcanic landscapes and stone pathways that tell ancient stories. Nearby lies Alchichica, a crater lagoon with turquoise waters, famous for its surreal beauty and for hosting microorganisms studied by NASA. You will also visit a local ranch where you'll enjoy a cheese tasting and learn the traditional process of crafting artisanal cheese. A perfect day for curious travelers and lovers of archaeology and nature.

Cantona & Cheeses Tour Highlights

- Visit to a local ranch with a guided tour
- Artisanal cheese workshop and tasting, with explanation of the traditional production process
- Guided tour of the Cantona Archaeological Zone, one of the largest cities of ancient Mexico
- Walk along stone causeways, acropolises, ball courts, and ancient stone neighborhoods
- Visit to the site museum
- Scenic transfer to Tepeyahualco
- Free time for lunch (optional)
- Visit to Alchichica Lagoon, a unique landscape with emerald-colored waters
- Ideal for cultural travelers, history lovers, nature enthusiasts, and photographers
- Private tour with expert tour host

Itinerary

- Hotel pick-up in Puebla
- Transfer to a local ranch (approx. 2 hours)
- Guided tour of the ranch
- Artisanal cheese tasting and workshop with explanation of the traditional production process
- Transfer to the Cantona Archaeological Zone
- Guided walking tour of Cantona and its site museum (approx. 2 hours)
- Transfer to Tepeyahualco
- Time for lunch (optional)
- Transfer to Alchichica Lagoon
- Visit and free time at the lagoon

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- Return to Puebla
- Hotel drop-off

Description

We begin with a journey into the semi-desert region of Puebla to visit a local ranch, where you will experience rural life and participate in an artisanal cheese workshop, learning the traditional production process while enjoying a tasting.

Afterward, we will explore Cantona, a fortified city that once reached more than 80,000 inhabitants and featured over 500 stone causeways. You will walk among pyramids, ball courts, terraces, and structures that reveal impressive pre-Hispanic urban planning.

Next, we head to Tepeyahualco, where you can enjoy local cuisine (optional) before continuing to one of the most striking landscapes of the Mexican highlands: Alchichica Lagoon. This crater lake stands out for its highly mineralized waters, deep blue tones, and unique formations that host microorganisms studied for their similarity to conditions on Mars.

View Photos of the Experience

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1av6aPN9Et2FuqaYWxDI1UheSIXS2zBJf?usp=sharing>

Includes

- Round-trip transportation
- On-board amenities
- Tour host
- Entrance to the Cantona Archaeological Zone
- Artisanal cheese tasting and workshop

Not Included

- Personal expenses
- Tips
- Entrance fees, food, or beverages not mentioned in the itinerary

Recommendations

- Wear comfortable clothing and footwear (ideally hiking boots)
- Bring a hat or cap
- Sunscreen
- Plenty of water
- Camera

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