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**Iberostar Paraiso del Mar** - Iberostar Paraiso Beach an all-inclusive resorts are located between Puerto Morelos and the charming town of Playa del Carmen. This Iberostar resort is designed in perfect harmony with the ecology and the environment and is situated on a 3/4 mile of beautiful white sandy beach ("Playa Paraiso") surrounded by 35 acres of lush and abundant gardens. Transfer time from the airport approx. 30 minutes. Standard rooms have one king size bed or two double beds, private balcony or terrace, A/C, ceiling fan, hairdryer, satellite color TV with remote control, direct-dial telephone, safety-deposit box and mini-bar. Attractive lobby and main restaurant (with show cooking). The complex has 6 specialty restaurants, a pool bar and 9 more bars. Night club, discotheque. Imaginatively-designed pool area with separate children's pool and extensive sunbathing area (sun loungers, parasols and towels free of charge). Also shops, supermarket and hairdresser's. Access to the Internet for an extra charge. Imaginatively-designed pool area with separate children's pool and extensive sunbathing area (sun loungers, parasols and towels free of charge).

#### BASIC CIVIL PACKAGE

Legal Civil Ceremony US\$2,550 (incl. tax & service charge)

Register fees / Civil Judge \* Marriage License, Apostil seal and legal fees On site wedding coordinator Decoration of the wedding area Bride's bouquet Groom's buttonhole Fresh Flower arrangement for the wedding table Traditional Wedding Cake decorated with fresh flowers Champagne for the ceremony for you and your guests CD Music for the ceremony 1 bottle of sprinkling wine in your room on the wedding day Wedding dinner at one of our A La Carte Restaurants Fruit basket and a bottle of red wine upon arrival to the hotel Two honeymooners t-shirts 1 day at the Wet area of "El Spa" for the bride L the groom Children under the age of 12 years old are free of charge.

This wedding package is for 2 to 10 people.

When the group is larger than 10 people the charge is US\$ 18 per extra person. (Including tax and service charge)



\* The Judge does not perform weddings on Sundays, Eastern, November 1st and 2nd (All Saint's day), December 24th and 25th and New Years (31st and 1st) & Mexican National Holidays.

#### DREAM PARADISE BLESSING PACKAGE

**Religious Ceremony (Not Legal)** US\$2,550 (incl. tax & service charge)

Minister's Fees On site wedding coordinator Decoration of the wedding area Bride's bouquet Groom's buttonhole Fresh Flower arrangement for the wedding table Traditional Wedding Cake decorated with fresh flowers *Champagne for the ceremony (for you and your guests) CD Music for the ceremony* 1 bottle of sprinkling wine in your room on the wedding day Wedding dinner at one of our A La Carte Restaurants Fruit basket and a bottle of red wine upon arrival to the hotel Two honeymooners t-shirts 1 day at the Wet area of "El Spa" for the bride I the groom 1 Spa bridal package (includes the bride test hairstyle, 1 bride's hairstyle, manicure & pedicure for the bride) 2 "New Weds" Bathrobes Special Flower decoration in the room on the wedding day Children under the age of 12 years old are free of charge.

This wedding package is from 2 up to 10 people.

When the group is larger than 10 people every extra person has a charge of US\$18 per person. (Including tax and service charge)

This ceremony is performed by a Non-denominational Minister in English, it is not legal neither here nor in your country, it's just a religious ceremony.

#### DREAM PARADISE CIVIL PACKAGE

Civil Legal Ceremony US\$2,900 (incl. tax & service charge)

Register fees / Civil Judge \* Marriage License, Apostil seal and legal fees On site wedding coordinator Decoration of the wedding area Bride's bouquet Groom's buttonhole Fresh Flower arrangement for the wedding table Traditional Wedding Cake decorated with fresh flowers Champagne for the ceremony (for you and your guests) CD Music for the ceremony



1 bottle of sprinkling wine in your room on the wedding day Wedding dinner at one of our A La Carte Restaurants
Fruit basket and a bottle of red wine upon arrival to the hotel Two honeymooners t-shirts
1 day at the Wet area of "El Spa" for the bride L the groom
1 Spa bridal package (includes the bride test hairstyle, 1 bride's hairstyle, manicure L pedicure for the bride)
2 "New Weds" Bathrobes
Special Flower decoration in the room on the wedding day

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## CATHOLIC WEDDING PACKAGE

### Religious Ceremony (Not Legal) US\$2,050 (incl. tax L service charge)

Catholic Priest to officiate the ceremony Decoration of the Chapel Brides bouquet Grooms buttonhole Natural floral centerpiece for the head wedding table 2 natural floral arrangement for the Chapel Traditional white frosting Wedding Cake decorated with fresh flowers Champagne for a toast after the ceremony CD Music for the ceremony A bottle of sparkling wine in your room on your wedding day Wedding dinner at one of our A La Carte Restaurants Fruit basket and bottle of red wine on wedding couple arrival date Two Iberostar honeymooner T-shirts 1 day at the Wet area of "El Spa" for the bride & the groom Wedding dinner at one of our A La Carte Restaurants

This wedding package is from 2 up to 10 people.

When the group is larger than 10 people every extra person has a charge of US\$18 per person. (Including tax and service charge)

\* This ceremony is performed by a Catholic Priest in English, it is not legal neither here nor in your country, it's just a religious ceremony.



### MAYAN WEDDING PACKAGE

K'AN NIKTE'MAYA (Not Legal) US\$2,150 (incl. tax L service charge)

Mayan Guide to perform the ceremony Mayan ceremonial decoration Mayan altar Special pre-Hispanic live music On site wedding coordinator Decoration of the wedding area Bride's bouquet Groom's buttonhole Natural floral centerpiece for the head wedding table Traditional white frosting Wedding Cake decorated with fresh flowers Champagne for the ceremony for you and your guests CD Music for the ceremony 1 bottle of sprinkling wine in your room on the wedding day Wedding dinner at one of our A La Carte Restaurants Fruit basket and a bottle of red wine upon arrival to the hotel Two honeymooners t-shirts 1 day at the Wet area of "El Spa" for the bride I the groom

This wedding package is from 2 up to 10 people.

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# REQUIREMENTS FOR A CIVIL WEDDING

For the wedding ceremony or the renewal of the vows you need the following documents:

Passports

translated into Spanish by an official translator with an "Apostille attached". (An official translator can be found in the yellow pages of your city).

If you are a US Citizen, you need an "Apostille", which is a form of international certification. The "Apostille" is requested from the entity who registered births in the county or state you were born at (usually the Secretary of State or the Department of Health). You should send your birth certificates to the Secretary of State and enclose a letter stating that you are getting married in Mexico and that you need an Apostille. They will then return your documents.

You will need to send your birth certificate to such entity, along with a letter stating that you are getting married in Mexico and that you need an Apostille. They will attach this "Apostille" to the birth certificate and will then return the documents to you.

If you are Canadian, please contact the nearest Mexican Embassy or Consulate in order to legalize your Birth Certificate. For more information please contact the web page below:

http://www.embamexcan.com/CONSULAR/FQGettingMarried.shtml



If you are British, you need to contact the Legalization Department of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

The Judge might keep the birth certificates, thus we recommend you to bring certified copies rather than the originals.

The birth certificates do not need to be translated into Spanish. In case the Judge requests to have a Spanish version, they will have to be translated in Mexico by an official local translator (at an extra charge).

Copy of divorce decree (in case you are divorced). It is necessary to be divorced at least one year in advance of your Civil Ceremony in Mexico. This is a government law and there are absolutely no exceptions here. The divorce certificate has to be translated into Spanish (if Bride is divorced). "Apostille" is mandatory and needed.

Tourist cards - which every foreigner obtains on the aircraft on the way down to Mexico.

Please note that the judge will NOT perform the legal ceremony if he does not receive all the necessary documents.

Blood test - it has to be made at the hotel in Mexico and it costs 154 USD per couple (to be paid in cash to the doctor).

4 witnesses with their picture ID (passport or driver's license) and a copy of their tourist card, which they will receive on the airplane. In case you do not bring any witnesses, the hotel will provide them.

### Important

The bride and groom and their witnesses have to be in Mexico for at least 4 working days before the wedding, to get all the necessary legal papers arranged.

The judge does NOT accept ceremonies for: Sundays, Easter week, the 1st and 2nd of November, the 24th and 25th of December and the 1st of January.

Please note that once you get the marital contract you have to inform your local authorities about the change of marital status and proceed to register your marriage.

The wedding couple and their witnesses must be in Mexico for at least 4 complete business days (Saturdays, Sundays & Public Mexican Holidays are not included) before the wedding, not counting the arrival date or the wedding date, to meet with the wedding coordinator and submit all the required documents and go over the wedding details.

Marriage License Apostille (for USA and British Citizens) – After the wedding you will receive your Marriage License. In order to make this valid in your country, we will obtain the Apostille for the Marriage License as well. The procedure takes 3 to 5 months, as soon as we have it back, you would receive by courier mailing. After that, it has to be translated into English in you country and registered in the city hall.

Marriage License Original Copies – every extra copy is 10 USD payable in cash. This procedure takes around one month. As soon as we receive it we will mail it by courier mailing.

The marriage is legal only in Mexico. If you want to make it legal in your country you have to pay \$ 45 USD extra in order to take the Apostille. You will receive this paper by mail 2 months after the wedding.



#### BOOK YOUR WEDDING

Due to the high amount of weddings requests that we have, we kindly ask you to request the wedding date as soon as possible.

Iberostar has a policy of having only one wedding per day, as we believes it should be your special day. If you would like to reserve the date, please contact us to check the date availability and send you the booking format requesting information such as your names, arrival date, the requested wedding date and time, type of ceremony and approximate number of guests; please enclosed a copy of a credit card and photo ID (both sides) as a guarantee for us to save the date.

Iberostar does not require a deposit and we do not make any charges prior to the wedding day, all the wedding charges will go on to the room account which you can settle during your stay. The hotel accepts credit cards (Master card, Visa & American Express – In Mexico we do not take Discovery CC), travelers checks and cash.

Here at the Iberostar Hotels and Resorts we understand that all couples have their own ideas of how they want their special day to be, we try to be as flexible as possible so please feel free to forward them to us (restrictions apply).

The Judge does not perform weddings on Sundays, Public Mexican Holidays, Easter, November 1st and 2nd (All Saint's day), December 24th and 25th, New Year 31st and 1st.

## OPTIONAL SERVICES (NOT INCLUDED)

Photography / Video\* Package of 40 photos (15cm x 21cm) US\$ 240 Package of 60 photos (15 cm x 21 cm) US\$ 360 Each extra photo US\$ 6 DVD (Edited approximately 40 min) US\$295

\* For more information please contact the Photoshop directly by checking the web site or by e-mailing the address below <u>http://www.fotocaribbean.com.mx</u> or <u>photocaribbean@hotmail.com</u>

Outside Photographers are NOT allowed \*\*

Flower Bridesmaids bouquet US\$ 20 Buttonhole US\$ 7 Corsage US\$ 15 Flowers for hair US\$ 7 Flower petals US\$ 15 Small centerpiece US\$ 15 Standard centerpiece US\$ 20 Extra flowers for arch US\$ 80 Flower Arrangement for aisle US\$ 35 (Prices based in tropical flowers)

Live Music (to be paid in cash to the wedding coordinator prior the wedding date) Mariachis (45 minutes) US\$ 350 Mexican Trio (45 minutes) US\$ 350 Violinist (45 minutes) US\$ 350 Marimba (45 minutes) US\$ 300 (More musicians available upon request)



Spa Treatments (our luxury Spa offers an entire world of sensations just for you) Brides hairstyle US\$ 110 Manicure US\$ 39 Pedicure US\$ 55 Relaxing Massage – 50 minute US\$ 99 Relaxing Massage – 30 minutes US\$ 68

\*Discover at Spa Shop the new Sensual Honeymooners Collection \*\* In case you are interested in having an external photographer or videographer, a fee of US\$ 300 must be paid to the Photoshop directly before the wedding day.

SPECIAL EVENTS (NOT INCLUDED)

Cocktail Party (price per hour)

Aquabar \*groups larger than 20 people Shopping Center Kiosk \*groups larger than 40 people Includes international open bar US\$ 6 P/P P/H Includes international open bar L appetizers US\$ 12 P/P P/H

Tropical Restaurant Rental US\$ 800 (Private Reception for 4 hours) Tropical Restaurant "El Faro" 6:30 PM to 10:30 PM \*\*Groups larger than 50 people

DJ (for any special events) US\$ 200

Disco Rental (from 8:30 PM to 10:30 PM) US\$ 600

Open bar L DJ Included \*\*Groups larger than 30 people. \*\*For more than 40 pp, every extra person is \$ 12USD.

Day pass for Non-Iberostar guests US\$ 50 Night pass for Non-Iberostar guests US\$ 35

### WEDDING LOCATIONS AND DECORATION

We offer two different wedding locations from which you can choose from:

We also have two different types of decoration available for both wedding locations. It could be Traditional White or a colorful Mexican style. We offer as well two different options for the decoration of the chairs: golden, silver or white ribbons.

Gazebo - Located in the middle of the grounds surrounded by beautiful tropical gardens and a fountain. This is a perfect location for a private rather small ceremony.

Beach - Located on the Paraiso Mar side of the Hotel, at the entrance of the beach surrounded by palm trees. This location is for those who dream of getting married on a sunny Caribbean beach.



### Music

Included, within the packages, is music from a selection of CDs; to walk down the aisle, we have available two different wedding marches and the Cannon in D, or you can bring your own favorite ones with you. A very popular option with previous couples is the Mariachis (extra charge). This

is a group of Mexicans dressed in traditional outfits playing a mixture of music with guitars, violins and a trumpet. 111 Viva Mexico !!! Another option is the Mexican trio, a group with guitars singing all together. When you are more leaning towards a traditional wedding we recommend to

hire a violinist, he plays a nice variety of traditional wedding songs. E.g. Canon in D, Ave Maria.

### Time of the Wedding Ceremony

You can choose any time of the day as long as there is daylight for the Religious Ceremony. For the Civil Ceremony the judge will assign the time, we can only request it, but it will be her final decision. Considering the time change here in Mexico, sunset between October and March is

around 6:00 pm and from April till September around 7:00 pm. Most couple choose 4pm and 5pm mostly because the heat of the day has passed yet you still have enough light to take quality photos after the ceremony. \*\* The Civil Judge only perform wedding ceremonies on the hour and based on their availability with no subject to change. For Saturdays times available are only in the morning.

## Flowers

We would appreciate if a few weeks before your arrival you let us know if you have any special request regarding the flowers for the bridal bouquet. We have samples that we can send to you by email to show you what we usually have available. We have a great variety of bridal bouquets to choose from. Depending on the season we offer a selection of tropical flowers such as: lilies, tiger lilies, Casablanca's, gerbera daisy's, Star Gazers, births of paradise, asters and so on. We also have some more traditional flowers like roses and white lilies. Also depending on the season and with an extra charge we could get calla lilies, tulips and orchids... Extra flower arrangements available with an extra charge.

# Wedding Cake

You can choose your wedding cake during the wedding meeting in the hotel. Our standard cake comes in two different shapes: heart or round,

both covered in a white whipped cream frosting and decorated fresh flowers, matching the bridal bouquet. As per the flavors, you can choose

between vanilla cake, chocolate cake or strawberry cheesecake. Other options could be available with an extra charge. The cake could be serve after the ceremony with the champagne or after dinner.

# Wedding Dinner

You can choose from one of our 6 A La Carte Restaurants (during low season the Tropical restaurant might not be available). Sitting times are at 6:30pm and 8:30pm. In each of the restaurants (except the Japanese) you will find a buffet for hot and cold appetizers and salads and another one for desserts. For less than 15 people you can order the entrée directly from the menu. For groups bigger than 15 people you will have to choose a set menu for your group, this means the same entrée for all your guests.

Mediterranean Restaurant "La Dorada" (air-conditioned, located by lobby "del Mar") As appetizers you will find a cold and hot buffet with a variety of salads, cheese selection, seafood and fish, fine lobster cream. Entrée: 1. Grilled Bass in brilliant butter sauce. 2. Salmon escallops with seaweed in puff pastry

Brazilian Restaurant "El Rodizio" (air-conditioned located by lobby "del Mar") As appetizers you will find a cold buffet with a variety of smokes, ceviches, cheese and salads and a hot buffet with fish terrine; shrimps and beef pies. Entrée: KEBABS of Chicken, Rib-eye and Sirloin



Mexican Restaurant "La Hacienda" (air-conditioned located by lobby "Beach") As appetizers you will find a hot and cold buffet with a fine selection of typical Mexican hand foods and salads Entrée: 1. Flattened beef with grated beans with cheese. 2. Chicken Breast with bones in corn leaf barbecue style. 3. Red Snapper Veracruz Style.

Japanese Restaurant "El Hashiru" (air-conditioned located by lobby "Beach") As appetizers you can choose from a variety of sashimi, sushi, and vegetables tempura. Entrée: "TEPPANYAKI" – Chicken, beef and shrimps prepared in your sight by the griddle served with "Yakimeshi Yasay" (fried rice with chopped vegetables and eggs).

Tropical Restaurant "El Faro" (open air located by the pool) As appetizers you can choose form a great cold buffet of smokes, and seafood cocktails, roasted cob, hearts of palm, marinated mussels, shrimp ceviche, salads and varied pickled vegetables. Entrée: 1. Grilled Grouper on banana bed with maracuya sauce. 2. Skirt steak with farmer cheese.

Steakhouse Restaurant "El Puerto" (open air located by the beach) As appetizers you will find a delicatessen buffet with a variety of smoked meat or fish, seafood cocktails and a variety of salads. Entrée: 1. Tenderloin. 2. Grilled Chicken Supreme with smoky sauce. 3. Grilled Salmon steak.

Gourmet Restaurant "El Colonial" (air-conditioned located by lobby "Beach", groups bigger than 15 people are not allowed) Sit down set menu of 5 courses. Lobster and Shrimp Salad with Ö Rucula... Fine cream of wild Asparagus... Puff pastry stuffed with fricasé... Beef tournedos marinated in wine... Chocolate Biscuit with mint....

Dress code for the A la carte Restaurants: Long trousers are mandatory for men, the dress code in the Tropical and Steakhouse Restaurants could be casual, nice Bermuda shorts are allowed.

Table decoration

The table decoration for the wedding dinner is standard. The main table is decorated with a flower centerpiece. If you want to bring some extra decorations to decorate the tables e.g. candles, sea shells, just married glitters, little sombrero hats, little bags with wine charms and so on, no problem at all, bring it along and we can help you set it on the restaurant!

Exchange Rate: 1 USD is approximately 10 Mexican Pesos.

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