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**ODYSSEY 2015**  
**LA PAZ, BAJA CALIFORNIA**

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*San Diego Yacht Club*

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# Presentation Overview

-  CUBAR 2015 Introduction
-  Cruising in Mexico – Pat Rains
-  General Q & A

# CUBAR / FUBAR



## History / Meaning

 Brainchild of Bruce Kessler



A well-known yachtsman who circumnavigated the world and a veteran of Baja

 Name Change (Formerly FUBAR)

 CUBAR – Cruise Underway to Baja Rally

# CUBAR – Dual Purpose






-  Introduce Cruising in Mexico with a Focus on Boaters Who Have Limited Mexico Boating Experience
-  Fundraising for Junior Sailing Program
  - Sponsorship – Bob Morris



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# CUBAR – 2015

## San Diego to La Paz

-  12-14 Days
-  8-10 Port of Calls
-  November 9-22, 2015



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# CUBAR – A Well Organized Event

## Event Coordination & Management

### Pre-Cruise Activities

- Training classes
- Mexican immigration coordination and processing
- Captain's meeting
- Send-off party



# CUBAR – A Well Organized Event


## Cruise Activities

- ☞ Beach/marina parties
- ☞ Fuel reservation/coordination down Baja
- ☞ Marina coordination
- ☞ Support Staff
  - Medical
  - Mechanical
  - Bilingual representative
- ☞ Cruise routing details/information
- ☞ Professional weather routing

# CUBAR – What's Ahead



 Register for CUBAR 2015 at Our Website: [www.cubar.org](http://www.cubar.org)

 Event Updates Will Be Posted to Our Website and [facebook.com/CUBAROdyssey](https://facebook.com/CUBAROdyssey).

 CUBAR Kickoff Dinner: May 2015





# Pat Rains – Cruising in Mexico

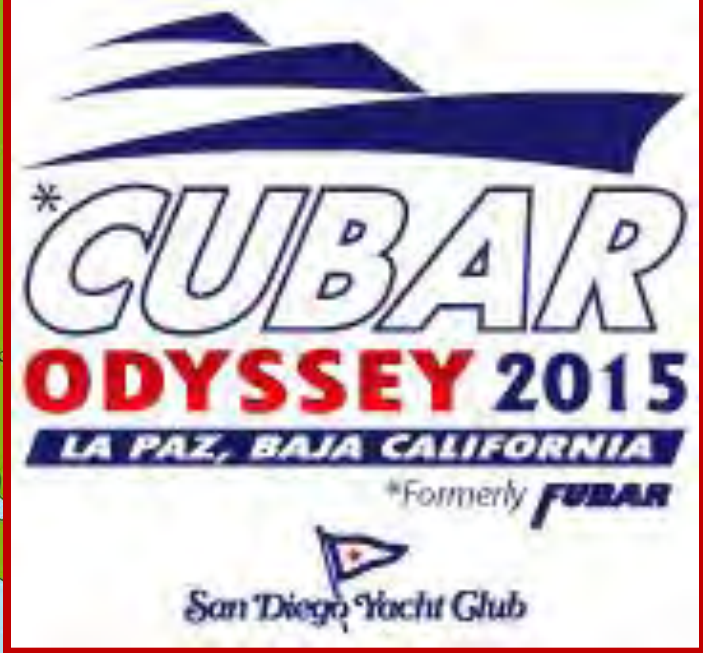
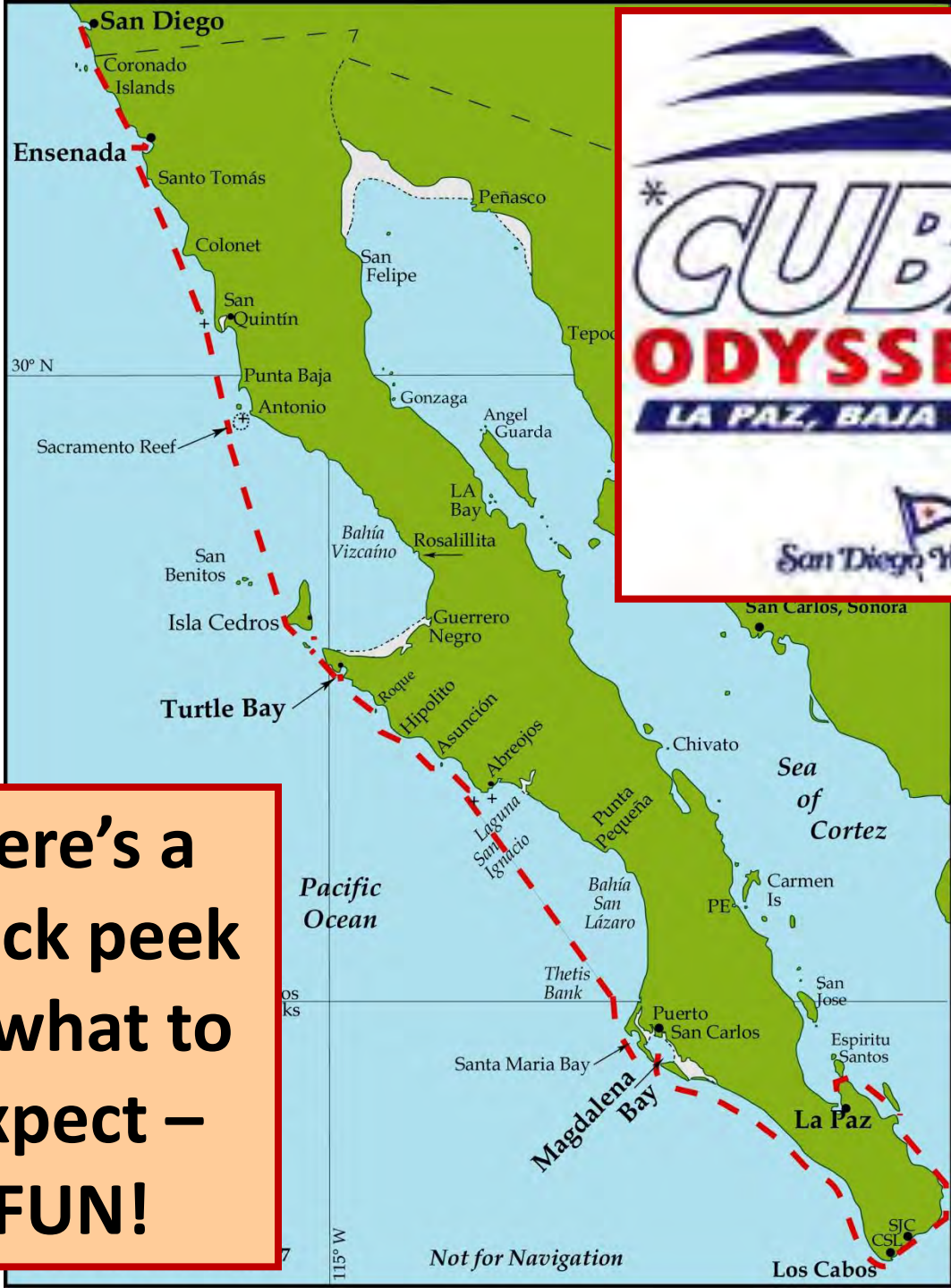
 Author – “Mexico Boating Guide”

 Writer:

▪ *The Log Newspapers*    ▪ *Sea Magazine*    ▪ *PassageMaker Magazine*

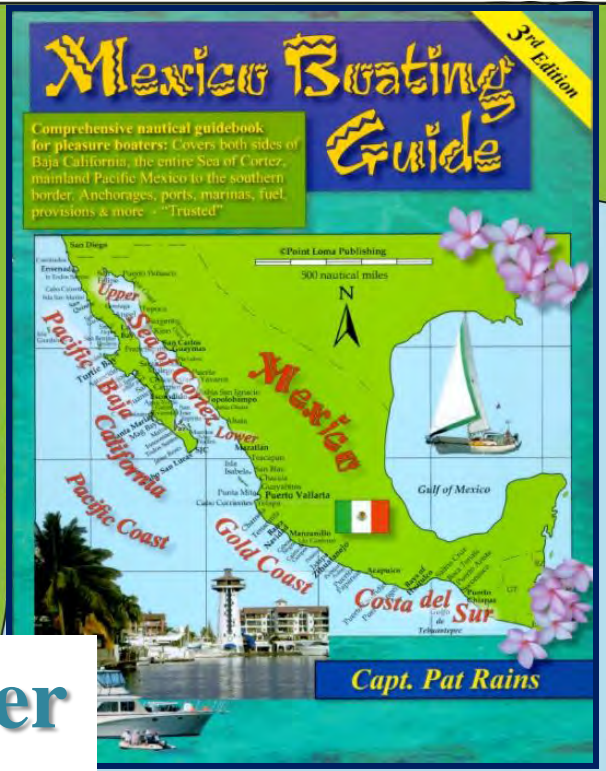
 Holds a U.S. Coast Guard 100-Ton Masters License

 Participant in all FUBAR/CUBAR Cruises with Husband, Capt. John Rains



Here's a quick peek at what to expect – **FUN!**

Not for Navigation



*Mexico*  
**PassageMaker Magazine**

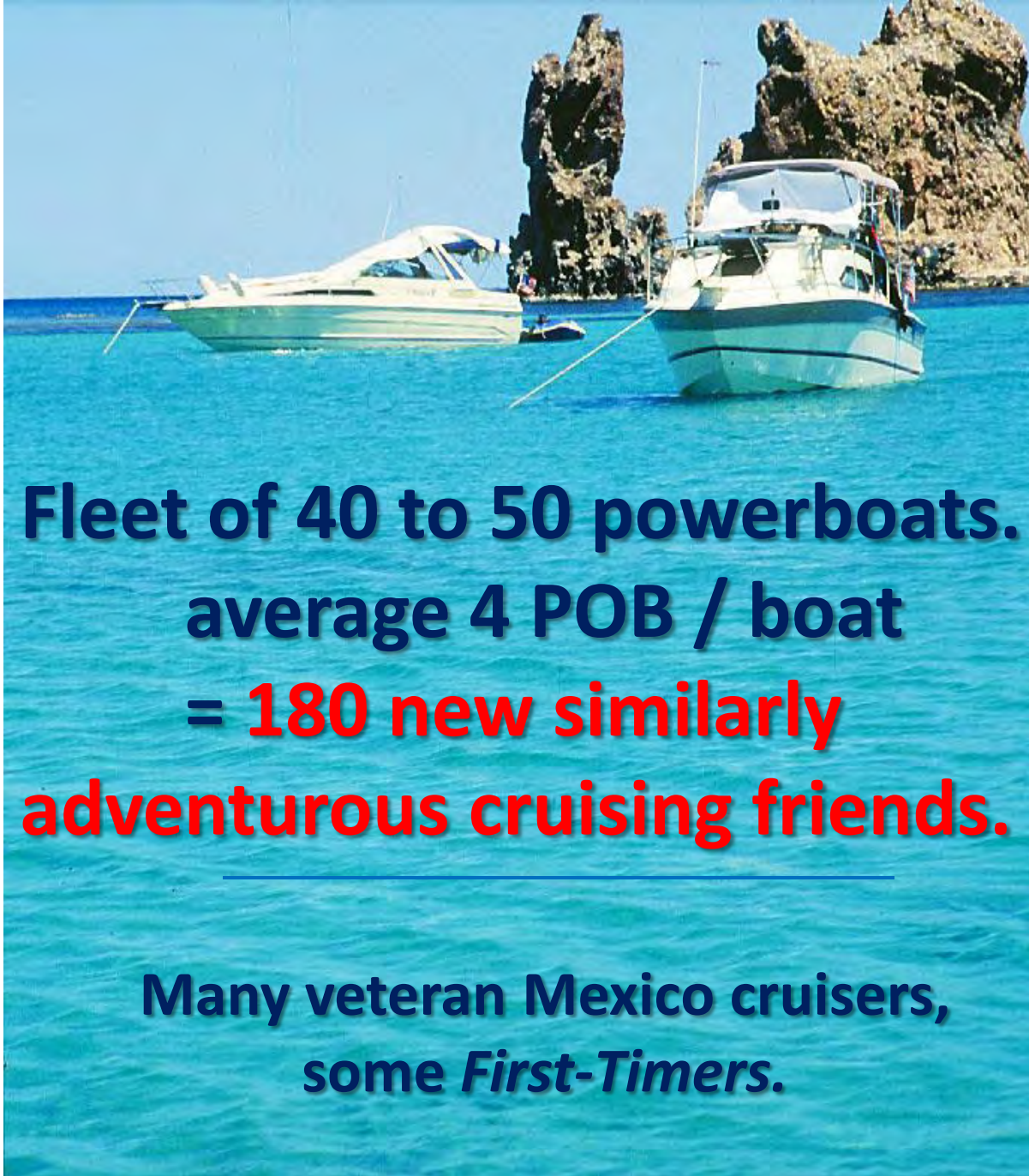
- Past FUBARs**
- 2007
  - 2009
  - 2011
  - 2013
  - 2015 CUBAR



**Sea**  
 America's Western Boating Magazine



 **theLog**  
 California's Boating & Fishing News



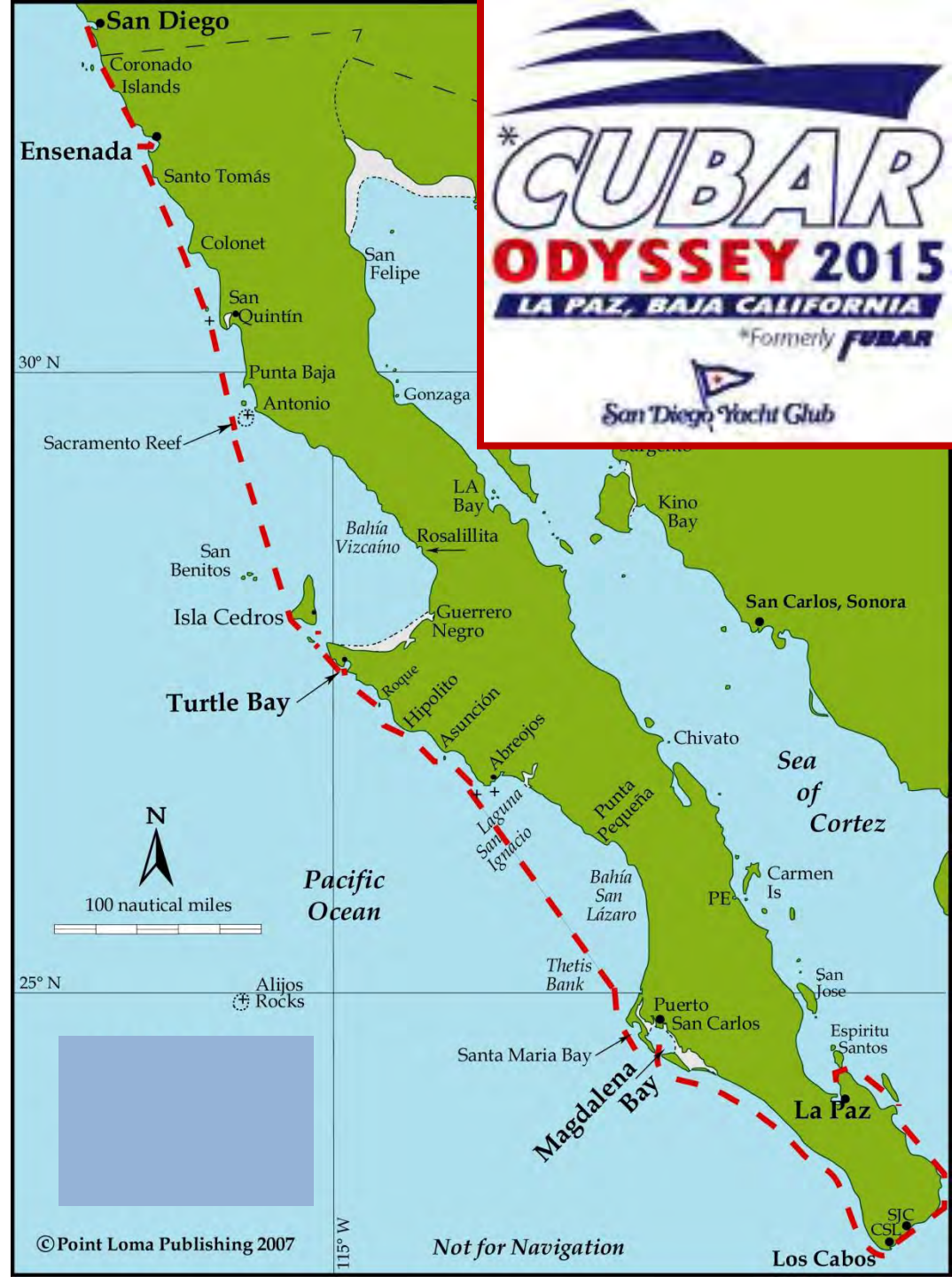
**Fleet of 40 to 50 powerboats.  
average 4 POB / boat  
= 180 new similarly  
adventurous cruising friends.**

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**Many veteran Mexico cruisers,  
some *First-Timers*.**

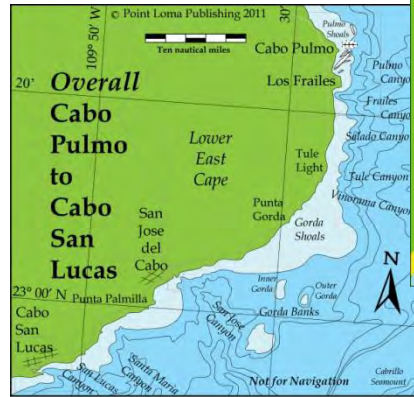
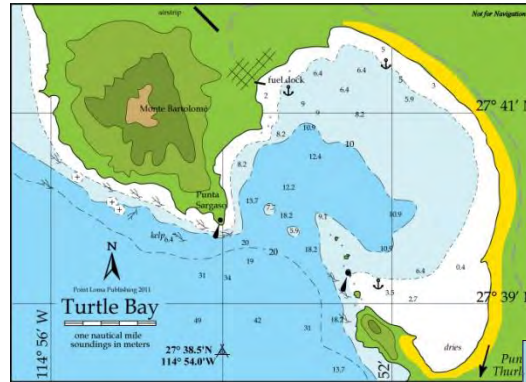
**CUBAR route to  
be announced  
in March**

**Previously our  
first stop in  
Mexico was  
Ensenada, then  
Turtle Bay,  
Mag Bay area,  
Los Cabos area,  
East Cape area,  
ending at  
La Paz.**



# In March, all the charts & plans will be announced.

## NOBODY WILL GET LOST!





**All these marina dockmasters will  
take good care of you in Mexico**

**From reserving your slip, handling paperwork to diesel fuel. From local services & haul outs to airport shuttle.**



**NO  
PROBLEMA**

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# **Ensenada**

**has the CIS Entrance Port Clearance office**

**Also 3 big marinas, 2 haul-out yards, 1 fuel dock, a zillion great restaurants, good provisioning.**

**Marina Coral (Hotel Coral & Marina)**

**Cruiseport Village Marina**

**Marina Baja Naval**



**Baja Naval Boat Yard  
Gran Peninsula Marine Center**

# Ensenada



**Guadalupe Valley wine country,  
LA Cetto case discounts,  
delivered to your boat**

**Who's signing up for the  
Vineyard Tour & Wine Tasting?**

# **Ensenada** – lunch in the Bibayoff Vineyard, Guadalupe Valley



**First of 6 fabulous  
courses,  
6 separate  
pairings – no  
sipping here!**

# **What to expect from the CUBAR?**

- 1. Meet lots of adventurous boaters – like yourselves.**
- 2. Encounter some of Mexico's marine wildlife.**
- 3. Soak up some Mexican culture.**
- 4. Relax in Baja's pristine anchorages.**
- 5. Socialize during plenty of casual parties.**
- 6. Warm up to further cruising in Mexico.**



## **Meet adventurous boaters**

**40 – 50 powerboats  
expected in the CUBAR  
fleet.**

**Average 4 adults per  
boat**

**= 180 new cruising pals**



**Meet adventurous boaters**

**Dinghy Poker Run -  
Turtle Bay or Mag Bay**

**Great chance to limber  
up your dinghy, hone  
your boat-handling  
skills, win cool prizes.**

**Fun & games**



**Meet adventurous boaters**



**Fueling up at Turtle Bay**

Meet adventurous boaters



Water color class in La Paz



## Meet adventurous boaters



Yacht club pool with bar service

Ham Radio “gam” and fest on the beach,  
hot dogs & cold beer.



# Encounter marine wildlife



Docile bat rays  
in Sea of Cortez

# Encounter marine wildlife

Courting frigate birds with nest ready



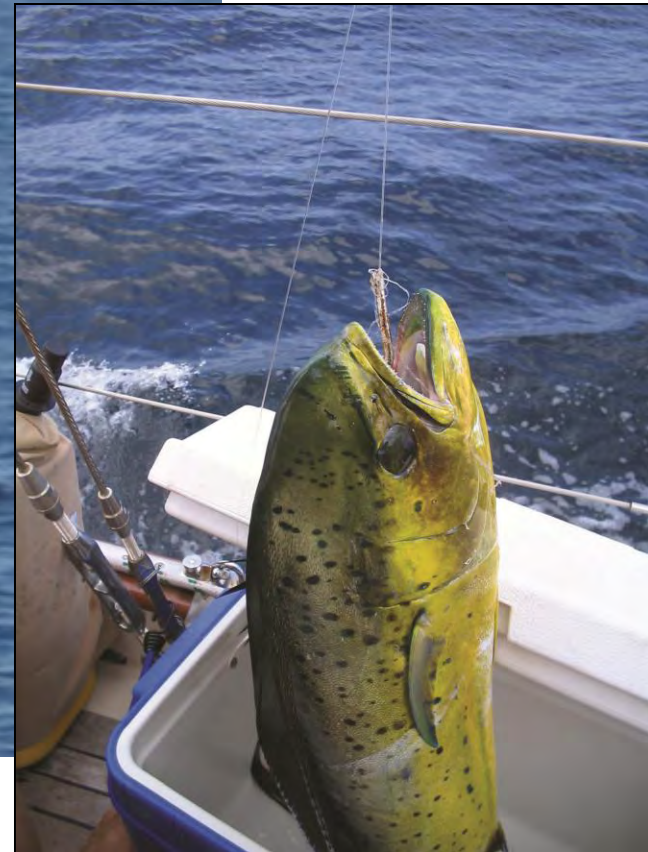
Frigate goshling & mama

# Encounter marine wildlife



Gray whale breaching as we depart Mag Bay

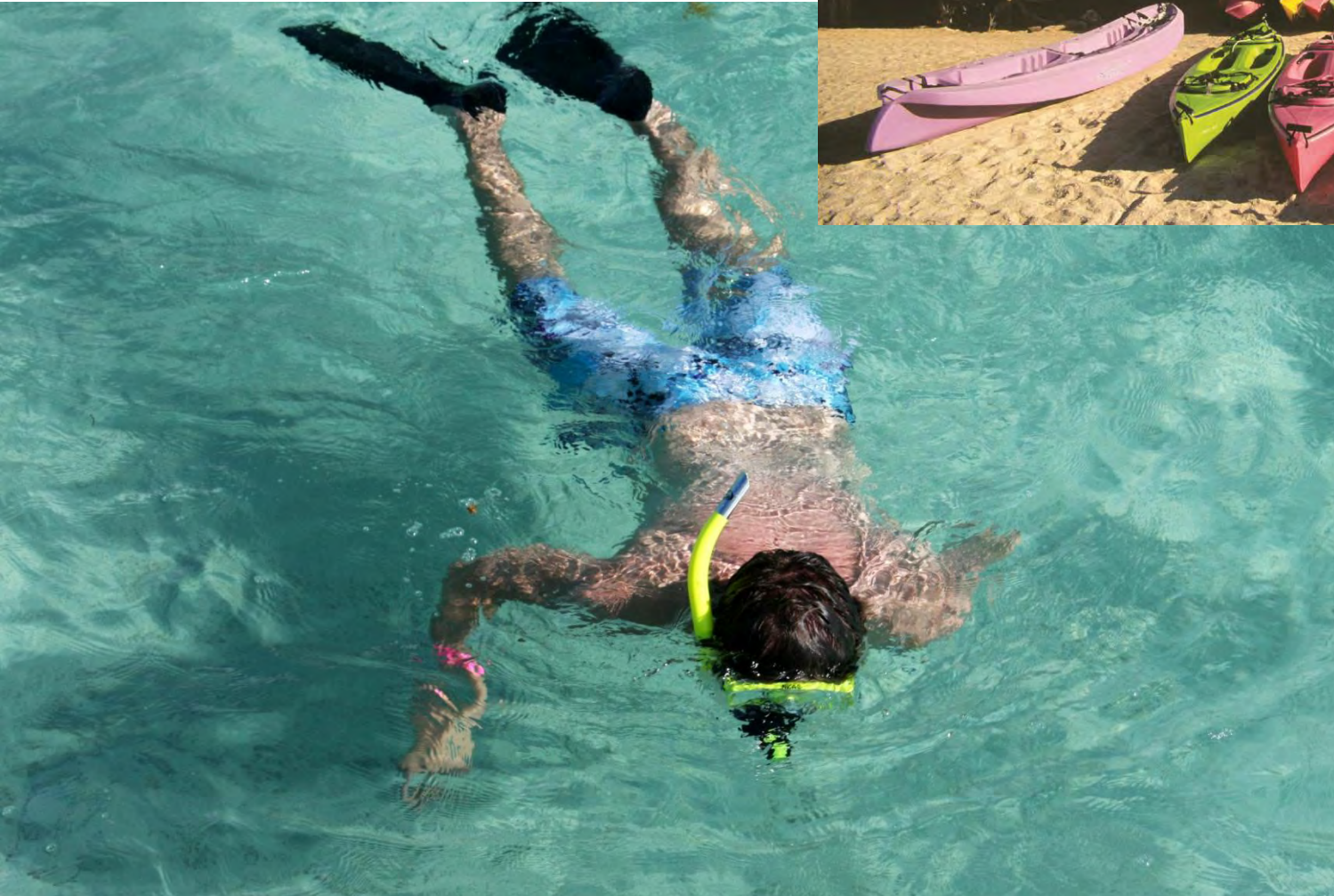
Dorado dinner



# Encounter marine wildlife



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**Snorkeling  
&  
kayaking**

# Encounter marine wildlife

Olive Ridley sea turtle



# Encounter marine wildlife

Help naturalists rescue sea turtle hatchlings from damaged nests





**Soak up some Mexican culture**



**Mariachis at Puerto Los Cabos Beach Club**

# Soak up some Mexican culture

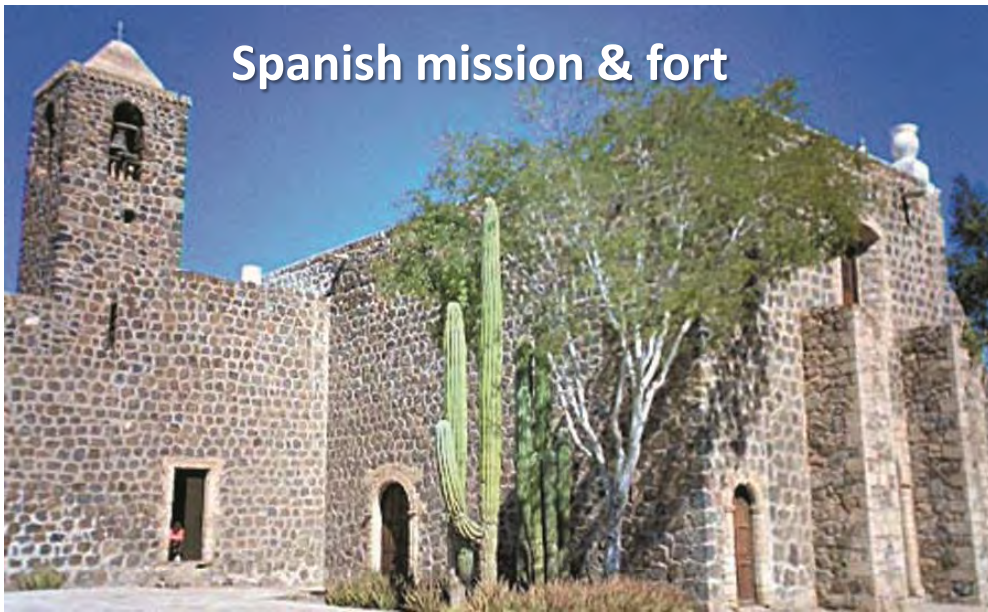
Mask  
makers  
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## Soak up some Mexican culture



## Spanish mission & fort



## Prehistoric cave paintings

# Soak up some Mexican culture



**WiFi and lap pool?**

**Yeah, that's local culture!**

**Soak up some Mexican culture**



# Relax in pristine anchorages

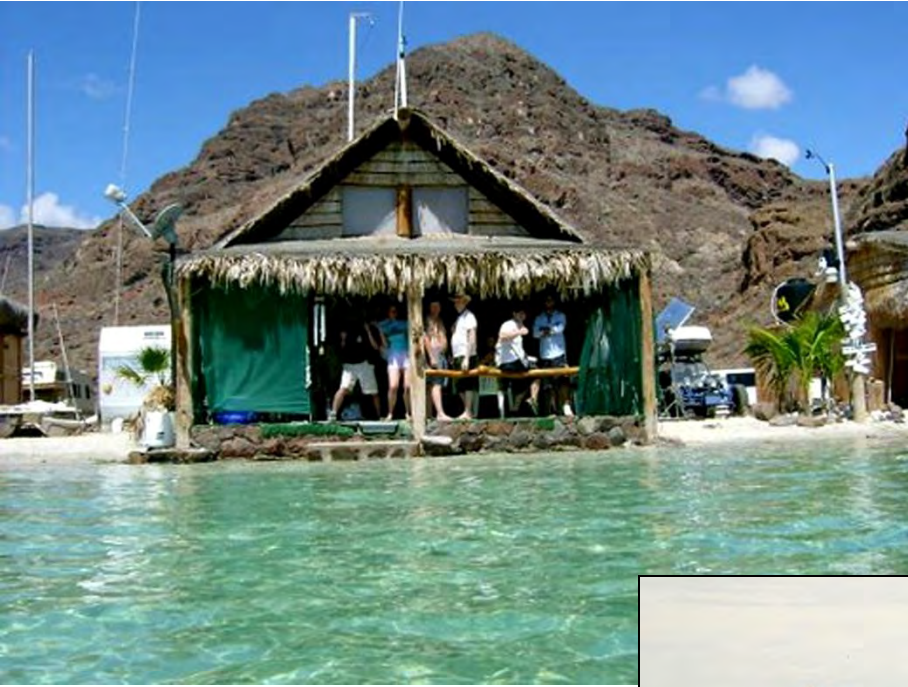


Muertos Cove

## Relax in pristine anchorages



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## Relax in pristine anchorages



# Socialize at casual parties

Man of War Cove fish fry



## Socialize at casual parties

Turtle Bay beach party



# Socialize at casual parties



# Socialize at casual parties

Impromptu  
party at  
Puerto Los  
Cabos



Breakfast  
seminar at  
Marina CostaBaja  
in La Paz

## Socialize at casual parties



**Somewhere in La Paz – I forget where!**

# Warm up to further cruising in Mexico



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Puerto  
Escondido

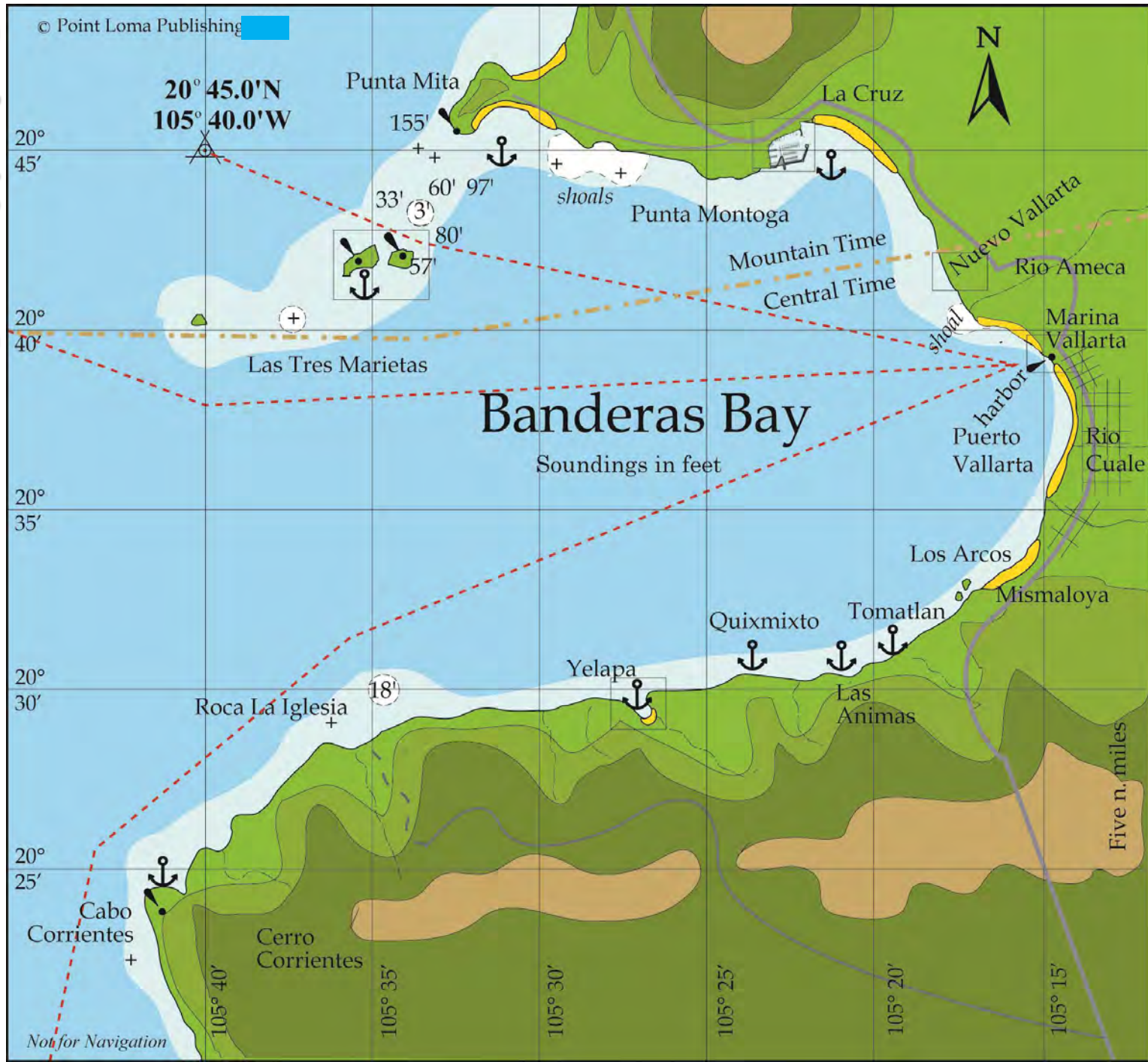
San Carlos  
Guaymas

Topolobampo

Mazatlan

Puerto Vallarta

Barra Navidad



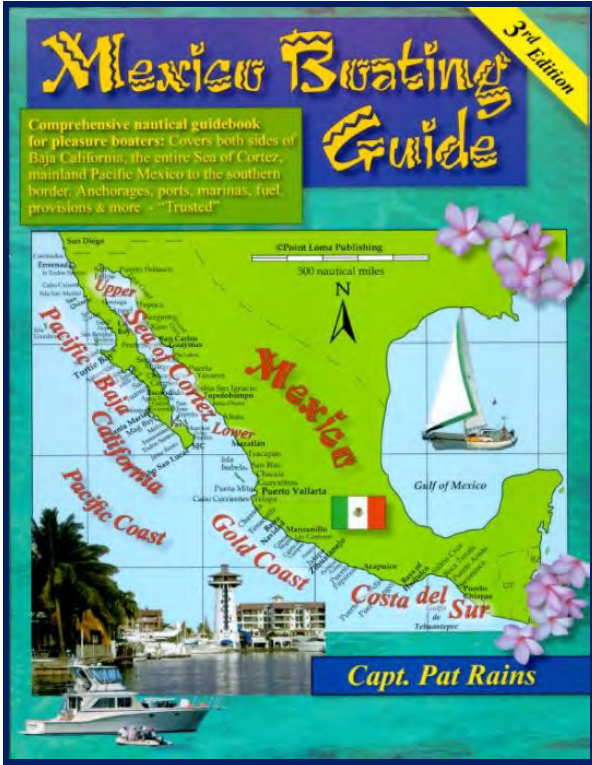


The End – thank you!





# Questions?





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**QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

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