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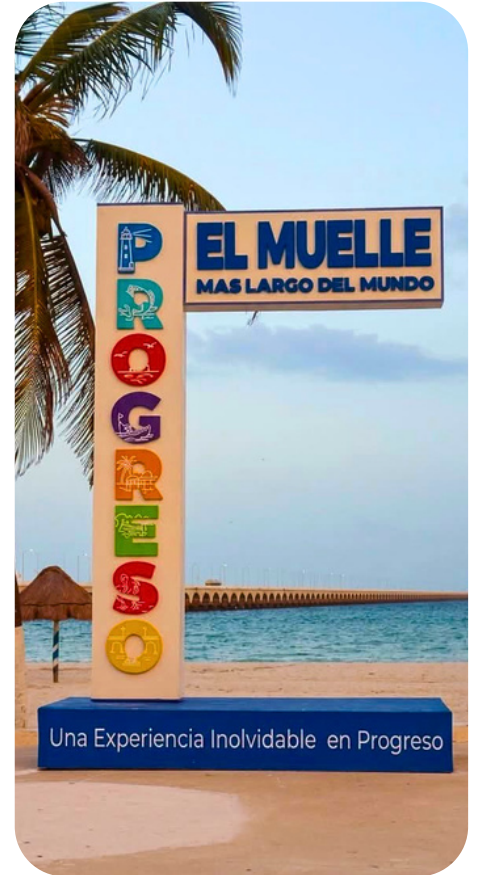
Yucatán continues to enrich the visitor experience by celebrating its vibrant culture, enhancing world-class attractions, and creating lasting value for our communities and cruise industry partners. We take this opportunity to appreciate the ladies from the local forklor dancing group for bringing music and color to every cruise call.

In this edition, we are pleased to share some of the exciting festivals and events taking place in the Port of Progreso, inviting visitors to experience the warmth, traditions, and authentic spirit of our coastal community. We also highlight the reopening of the Dzibilchaltún Museum and the new visitor center CATVI at Chichén Itzá, further enhancing the exceptional cultural experiences available to cruise guests.

In addition, we proudly feature the heartwarming visits of children from Casa Otoch aboard Carnival Cruise Line ships in the Port of Progreso, a meaningful initiative that reflects the cruise industry's commitment to building positive connections with our local community.

We hope you enjoy this edition.

The Yucatán Tourism Board Team



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Thank you for your continued interest in the Port of Progreso. We'd love to hear your thoughts — feel free to share your comments with us!

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SUMMER

AT THE PORT OF PROGRESO

The summer cultural festivals at the Port of Progreso are a vibrant celebration of local traditions and culinary delights, attracting visitors from near and far. The Festival del Ceviche showcases the region's rich seafood heritage, featuring delicious ceviche made from the freshest local fish, with many vendors sharing their recipes through sampling. It is a feast for both the palate and the senses.

In addition, the Festival del Papagayo brings a colorful twist, where kites of all shapes and sizes fill the sky, symbolizing the joy and creativity of the community. Families gather to enjoy the artistic displays and the family-friendly beach party atmosphere, fostering a sense of fun and togetherness.

These festivals not only highlight Progreso's unique culture but also strengthen the bonds among its residents while inviting others to partake in the joyous spirit of the summer season.



This summer, Carnival ships hosted two groups of 20 children from a state-operated group home as part of their community program. Initially for local school kids, the program has expanded to include these children, offering them new experiences, lessons in maritime culture, and opportunities to connect with others. This initiative emphasizes inclusivity and the value of memorable experiences for all children in the community.



DZIBILCHALTÚN'S NEW MUSEUM

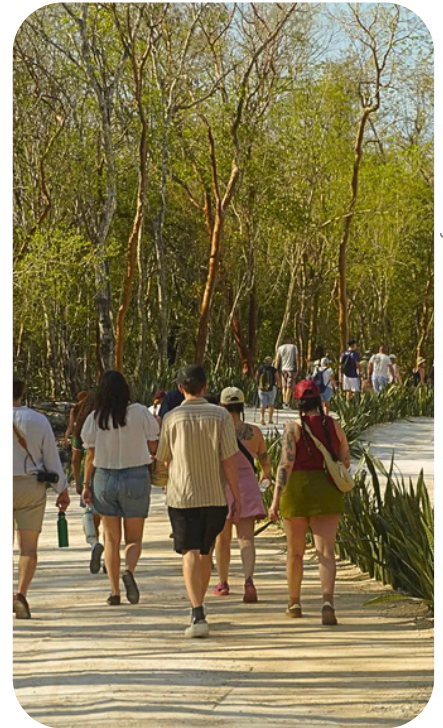
The new Ichkaantijoo Museum, located within the Mayan site of Dzibilchaltún, has recently opened its doors. It features an impressive collection of over 300 important artifacts that highlight the rich cultural heritage of the region. Funded by federal initiatives, the museum aims to preserve and promote the historical significance of the area, offering visitors a deeper understanding of ancient Mayan civilization. With its thoughtfully curated exhibits, the museum not only celebrates the past but also serves as an educational hub for future generations.



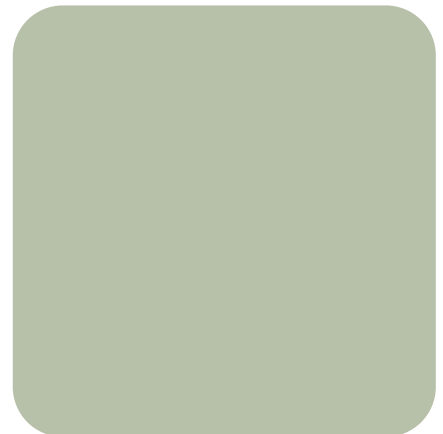
source: Yucatan Governor's Office

CHICHÉN ITZÁ A NEW FACE

The new Centro de Atención a Visitantes (CATVI) at Chichen Itza has greatly enhanced the visitor experience by offering a modern and welcoming space that improves accessibility to this ancient site. Conveniently located 2.5 miles from the Tren Maya train station, the building is connected to the station through specialized transportation services. Inside, visitors can access a variety of amenities, including the Chichen Itza Museum, rest areas, shops featuring local artisans, tourist guides, and other services. This creates a comprehensive and enriching atmosphere for everyone visiting this UNESCO World Heritage site.



source: Z.A. y Gran Museo de Chichen Itza



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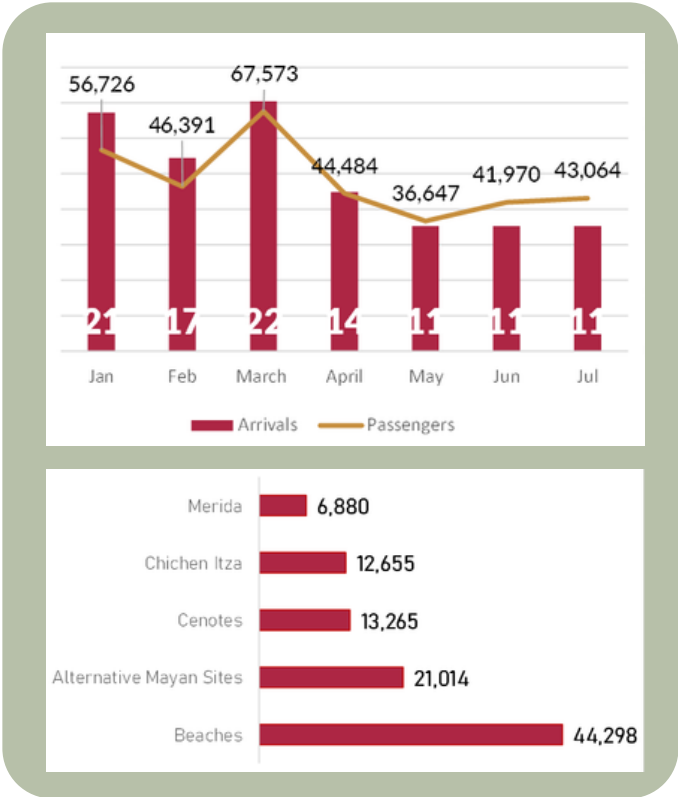


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PORT OF PROGRESO IN NUMBERS

By the end of July, the Port of Progreso recieved a total of 107 cruise ship visits, bringing 336,855 passengers to Yucatán. This represents an almost 20% increase from the same period last year.

With the growing popularity of alternative Mayan sites and nature tours, we look forward to receiving the visitors attracted to our sunny fall season.



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