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CRUISE NEWSLETTER

PORT OF PROGRESO

WAVES OF SUMMER AT PORT OF PROGRESO!



Welcome to **Edition 36** of the Yucatán Cruise Newsletter!

In this edition, we're celebrating two important milestones: the 154th anniversary of the founding of the city and port of Progreso, and the 132nd anniversary of its iconic lighthouse – both proud symbols of Yucatán's maritime heritage.

We'll also take you back to a joyful event that brought color and flavor to our shores: the 2025 Kite Festival, where the skies over Progreso were filled with vibrant kites, as well as the arrival the dredging vessel Fernando de Magallanes to our coast.

We hope you enjoy this special edition filled with celebration, culture, and seaside charm. As always, we'd love to hear your thoughts – feel free to share your comments with us!

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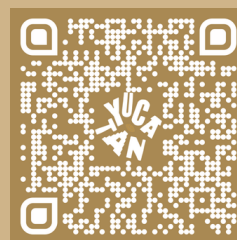
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PORT OF PROGRESO ANNIVERSARY

154TH

The Port of Progreso, Yucatán, marked a very special milestone this year—its 154th anniversary!

From June 30 to July 6, the city came alive with a week full of music, sports, culture, and delicious food. Streets were filled with the sounds of live concerts, the cheers of friendly competitions, the colors of local art, and the aromas of Yucatecan dishes that made everyone's mouth water.

One of the biggest highlights was the rare chance to visit the port's beloved lighthouse, which turned 132 years old this year. Built to guide ships safely to shore, it has stood as a proud symbol of Progreso for generations. Visitors climbed its steps, took in breathtaking views of the sea, and learned about the stories it holds.

People came from every corner of Yucatán, as well as from across Mexico and

around the world, to join the celebration. Their smiles, laughter and joy filled the port, making the anniversary a memorable gathering of friends, families, and cultures.



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SKY-HIGH FUN IN PROGRESO!

This summer, Progreso's sky burst into color during the 2025 Kite & Papagayo Festival held on July 19th and 20th at the lively Cancha Rosa near the now famous Poseidón statue. Visitors enjoyed dazzling giant kites, creative workshops,

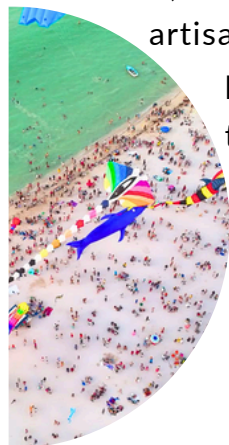
artisan contests, and a vibrant local bazar—all just steps from the cruise port.

The festival and cool ocean breezes made the event a memorable highlight for families and travelers exploring our sunny seaside town!



SOURCE: DESCUBRE PROGRESO FACEBOOK PAGE, JULY 2025

SOURCE: OFICIAL FESTIVAL INSTAGRAM PUBLICATION



PROGRESO'S SIXTH BLUE FLAG

For the sixth year in a row, the Port of Progreso was recognized with the international Blue Flag award, highlighting their cleanliness, safety, eco-friendly management, sustainable, tourism and water quality.

The flag-raising ceremony took place the morning of August 7th, led by Progreso's mayor and a representative of the Environmental Education Foundation in Mexico, the organization responsible for the Blue Flag certification.

SOURCE: BLUE FLAG MÉXICO FACEBOOK PAGE, AUGUST 2025



TOUR OPERATORS



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FERNANDO DE MAGALLANES IN YUCATÁN!



After a month-long journey across the Atlantic ocean, the dredging vessel Fernando de Magallanes - owned by the Belgian company Jan de Nul- has arrived in Yucatán! Known as one of the most powerful in the world, it sailed from Europe and reach our shores after a stop in the Bahamas. It will assist in the dredging of the state's fishing ports and its arrival kicks off an ambitious project that will transform Yucatán's maritime infrastructure and boost its coastal potential.

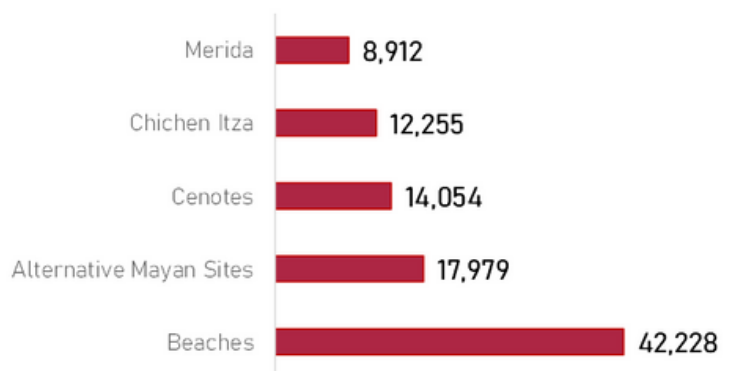
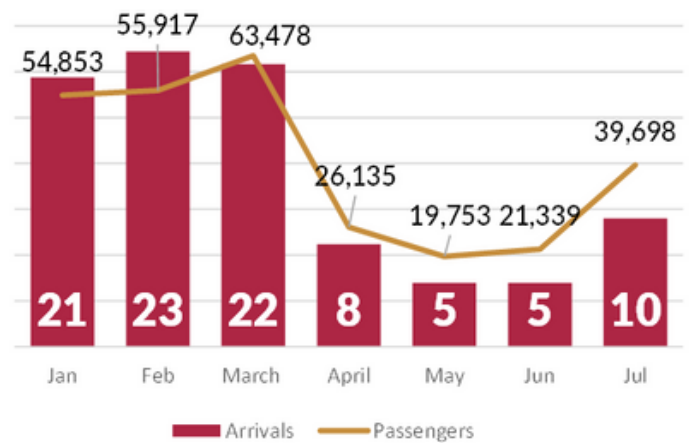


PORT OF PROGRESO IN NUMBERS

So far, at the halfway point of 2025, Port of Progreso has registered a total of 94 cruise ships calls, with 281,173 passengers visiting Yucatan.

Together, the top five tour destinations in Yucatan receive 34% of the passengers who arrive to the Port of Progreso. From January to July of this year, this represented more than 95 thousand passengers.

The most popular aspect of Yucatan continues to be its beaches, followed by the numerous Mayan sites that the state and region is famous for.



** Data sourced from the Yucatan Tourism Board statistical database.

