

RUNNER-UP

# Mexico *at the World Cup.*

*A runner-up route hands you a different  
knockout city. Plan for both.*



MEXICO

GROUP

A · Host

CONFEDERATION

CONCACAF

OPENS AGAINST

South Africa · Mexico City

**TOURNAMENT**

11 June - 19 July 2026 · USA · Canada · Mexico

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# Your trip at a glance

Mexico · Runner-up

<b>MATCHES</b> <b>4</b> 3 group + up to 1 knockout	<b>HOST CITIES</b> <b>3</b> Mexico City → Guadalajara → New York / New Jersey	<b>COUNTRIES</b> <b>2</b> Mexico · USA	<b>TRAVEL TIME</b> <b>1h</b> Between host cities
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## YOUR ROUTE ACROSS NORTH AMERICA



### BASE CAMP

TBC

### FINAL VENUE

MetLife Stadium · New York / New Jersey · 19 July 2026

**01** FIXTURES

3 MATCHES

# Your group stage

MATCH

**1**

 vs **South Africa**

 Thu, 11 Jun 2026  Mexico City - Estadio Azteca

KICKOFF

**12:00**

MATCH

**2**

 vs **Czech Republic**

 Thu, 18 Jun 2026  Guadalajara - Estadio Akron

KICKOFF

**TBC**

MATCH

**3**

 vs **South Korea**

 Wed, 24 Jun 2026  Mexico City - Estadio Azteca

KICKOFF

**TBC**

BASE CAMP

TBC

TEAM HOTEL

TBC

CENTRAL REGION · MEXICO

# Mexico City

Estadio Azteca · MEX / NLU



CAPACITY

**87,000**

ROOF

**Open bowl**

SURFACE

natural grass

CLIMATE

Mild, rain most afternoons in June. Altitude (2240m) tires new arrivals.

## WHERE TO STAY

### BUDGET

#### **Selina Mexico City Downtown**

Central, coworking.

#### **Casa Pepe**

Hostel in the Centro Histórico.

### MID

#### **Casa Decu**

Boutique in Condesa.

#### **Hotel Carlota**

Design-forward, near Reforma.

### PREMIUM

#### **Four Seasons Mexico City**

On Reforma.

#### **Las Alcobas**

Polanco, Enrique Olvera restaurant on site.

## WHERE TO EAT

#### **Pujol**

tasting menu - Enrique Olvera; book a month ahead.

#### **El Turix**

Yucatecan - Polanco, cochinita pibil tacos to stand-and-eat.

#### **Contramar**

seafood - Roma Norte, tuna tostadas at lunch.

## WORTH YOUR TIME

#### **Teotihuacan pyramids**

1 hr north, climb at dawn.

#### **Frida Kahlo Museum (Casa Azul)**

Coyoacán, book weeks ahead.

#### **Xochimilco trajineras**

Floating gardens and mariachis on Saturdays.

#### **Chapultepec Park**

Anthropology Museum, castle, lakes.

CENTRAL REGION · MEXICO

# Guadalajara

Estadio Akron · GDL

Estadio OMNILIFE



CAPACITY

**48,071**

ROOF

**Open bowl**

SURFACE

natural grass

CLIMATE

Warm days, mild evenings, afternoon thunderstorms possible.

## WHERE TO STAY

### BUDGET

#### **Hostel Hospedarte Chapultepec**

Young scene, Chapultepec Avenue.

### MID

#### **Hotel Morales**

Colonial boutique, central.

### PREMIUM

#### **Hyatt Regency Andares**

Close to Estadio Akron.

#### **Casa Habita**

Design hotel in Providencia.

## WHERE TO EAT

#### **Birrieria Las 9 Esquinas**

birria - Goat birria, Guadalajara's hangover classic.

#### **La Chata**

Mexican classics - Pozole, torta ahogada, go at lunch.

#### **Alcalde**

modern Mexican - Paco Ruano's tasting-menu flagship.

## WORTH YOUR TIME

#### **Tequila day trip**

Agave landscape + distillery tour, 1 hr west.

#### **Mariachi at Plaza de los Mariachis**

Evenings, pair with birria for lunch.

#### **Tlaquepaque art district**

Silver, ceramics, leather, cafés.

#### **Hospicio Cabañas**

UNESCO, Orozco murals.

EASTERN REGION · USA

# New York / New Jersey

MetLife Stadium · EWR / JFK / LGA



CAPACITY

**82,500**

ROOF

**Open bowl**

SURFACE

natural grass overlay

CLIMATE

Warm to hot, occasionally humid. Light jacket for evenings.

## WHERE TO STAY

### BUDGET

#### **HI NYC Hostel**

Upper West Side, Manhattan.

#### **Pod 39**

Budget micro-hotel, Midtown.

### MID

#### **Ace Hotel New York**

NoMad, lobby scene.

#### **citizenM Bowery**

Lower East Side, pod-style.

### PREMIUM

#### **The Mark**

Upper East Side, Jean-Georges on site.

#### **The Ritz-Carlton NoMad**

Rooftop bar.

## WHERE TO EAT

### **Katz's Delicatessen**

deli - Lower East Side, pastrami on rye.

### **Di Fara Pizza**

pizza - Midwood, Brooklyn; Dom DeMarco's slices.

### **Atomix**

tasting menu - Korean tasting menu, book two months ahead.

## WORTH YOUR TIME

### **The High Line + Hudson Yards**

Rail-trail through Chelsea.

### **Metropolitan Museum of Art**

Pay what you wish for NY residents; full price otherwise.

### **Staten Island Ferry**

Free; passes the Statue of Liberty.

### **Brooklyn Bridge walk + DUMBO**

Start Manhattan-side at sunset.

# 02 TRAVEL

1 HOP

## Getting from A to B

### Mexico City → Guadalajara



Drive 6.5h



Fly 1.25h

Worth stopping: **Guanajuato** - UNESCO colonial city, 2.5 hr east of Guadalajara.

**03** PRE-FLIGHT

16 ITEMS

## Packing checklist

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Passport + printed copy             | <input type="checkbox"/> Tournament tickets                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance card + emergency contacts | <input type="checkbox"/> 20,000 mAh power bank                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Universal travel adapter            | <input type="checkbox"/> International eSIM                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Broken-in walking shoes             | <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle (empty through security) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Packing cubes                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen SPF 50                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat + sunglasses                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Lightweight rain shell                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compression socks for flights       | <input type="checkbox"/> Matchday polyester shirt              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cash + card that works in Mexico    | <input type="checkbox"/> Ibuprofen / paracetamol               |

AFFILIATE · AMAZON

### Reflective LED armband

Evening kick-offs mean walking back after dark. A clip-on reflective LED armband keeps you visible to traffic, packs to nothing and costs a few pounds.

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TESTED PICKS

# Fan gear for your route

**Travel pillow**

For the long flight and the cross-country drive.

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Packable rain shell for Vancouver, Seattle, Toronto.

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One adapter that handles plugs in all three host countries.

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