

# GRADWEEK®

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## NEED GRADWEEK ON-SITE 24-HOUR ASSISTANCE?

Do not hesitate to call. **GradWeek Staff are here to help!** If you have an issue or a situation during your trip, you must call GW Staff so we can assist. If you cannot readily locate a GradWeek Staff member, please call (or text) the on-site 24-hour GradWeek number or head to the Tesoro Front Desk and ask for the GradWeek Staff Room. Do not hesitate to call us. If you are unable to contact us, have a friend call. GradWeek staff is available to help you on-site 24/7. We have staff housed at the hotel and staff are present at all GradWeek sponsored events. The Tesoro is GradWeek's headquarters in Cabo!

## IN CASE MEDICAL ATTENTION IS NEEDED

If you are in need of medical attention and it is a non-emergency, you can locate a GradWeek Staff member for directions to the nearest medical facility. If you cannot find a GradWeek Staff member, simply go to your hotel front desk for assistance. If it is an emergency, dial 066 and have your friend notify a GradWeek Staff member. 24-hour emergency medical services are available through Hospiten Hospital. Hotel visits can also be arranged, and English-speaking staff members are available. Travel insurance is accepted. GradWeek Staff are not doctors and thus will not make any judgment calls on whether medical attention is necessary for any reason. This decision is entirely up to the traveler and his or her parents. If you are in doubt of whether you need medical attention or not, we strongly recommend you contact your parents and/or guardian and ask them for advice.

## IMPORTANT NUMBERS

- GradWeek 24-Hour On-site Staff Number: Provided to travelers upon arrival
- American Consulate: +52 (664) 748-0129 or +52 (624) 143-3566 / From the U.S.: 1-844-528-6611
- AMC Walk in Clinic/Urgent Care: +52 (624) 143-5911
- Hospiten (Hospital) Cabo San Lucas: +52 (624) 145-6000
- Police Department: +52 (624) 143-3977

\*If calling any Mexico number from United States, remember you must dial 011-52 first.

## HELPFUL SAFETY & TRAVEL TIPS

**REMEMBER TO CALL HOME!** – Make sure you call Mom and Dad! Upon arriving we strongly encourage that you take a minute and call home to let your parents know that you have made it safely. Calling the United States from Mexico can be very expensive. Unless you're on an international cell phone plan, even if your cell phone is able to make calls, you are likely paying a premium for the service. Keep your calls short! Also, texting from a Wi-Fi hotspot is recommended. **Please Note:** If using your cell phone to call home, typical rates are \$2.00 per minute. Please keep call brief! In addition, those with data plans, you can incur enormous cell phone bills by leaving your data connection on while in the Cabo. Be sure to turn it off (use airplane mode)! Time zone in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico (GMT-6).

**TOURIST VISA CARD** – On your flight into Mexico you were required to fill out a Tourist Visa Card and present it to a Mexican immigration official. The official should have returned a portion of the card to you. **DO NOT LOSE THIS CARD!** Make sure you store it in a safe place. You will be required to present this card prior to leaving the country. Replacement cards can cost \$50.00 U.S. dollars or more.

**HYDRATION – DRINK PRENTY OF WATER!!** – After many hours of flying, combined with laying in the sun, lack of sleep, it's critical that you stay hydrated. Be sure to drink lots of water during your GradWeek in the tropics. You'll feel better, be less susceptible to illness, and you have an overall better experience!

**WRISTBANDS** – You should have received your GradWeek wristband at your on-site Welcome Orientation. This is separate and apart from your Action Pac wristband. All travelers receive a GradWeek wristband. You must wear your wristband at all times and DO NOT lose it! You will need your wristband to attend all GradWeek functions and events, to receive your discounts, and to board the bus to the airport plane home. If you lose your wristband, please contact Staff on the 24-Hour number listed above. You may be charged an additional fee for a replacement wristband.

**MONEY** – The current currency exchange rate in Mexico is about 19 pesos to 1 U.S. dollar. However, exchange rates change daily. If you're looking for the best rate, you will want to exchange your money at one of the exchange booths located throughout downtown Cabo. If you're looking for convenience, most hotels will exchange money at the front desk.

**HOTEL SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES** – We strongly recommend that you put all your valuables in your safe deposit box upon check-in. **THIS INCLUDES CELL PHONES, GO PROS, MONEY, ETC!!!** If a box is not provided to you in your room, you can get one at the front desk. **\*Report any missing/stolen items IMMEDIATELY to the HOTEL.**

**HOTEL ROOM** – Your hotel room is your responsibility. If damage is caused to your room, you and your roommates will be held responsible regardless of who caused the damage. This includes any extensive

cleaning due to stains, smoking, etc. Take care of your room!!! Upon arriving to your room make sure you and your roommates take 5 min to check your room and report any damages to the room (if any) so that you are not charged for it when you check out. Please walk down to the front desk and report any damages immediately. Do not let strangers into your room. Keep your doors locked at all times, including any balcony sliders. Also, please respect your roommates' space.

**HOTEL CHECKOUT** – Please check the activity board in the lobby for departure information the night before your flight. Travelers need to clean up their rooms and pack their bags the night before departure. It is also highly recommended you take care of any incidental balances (if any) such as phone charges, room service, and pay per view movies the night before to avoid long lines at checkout. Airport buses leave on-time so don't be late or you can get left behind! **You must be in the lobby 3 hours prior to your scheduled flight departure time.** If you miss your airport shuttle, it is your responsibility to get yourself to the airport at your own expense. If your flight is not until late afternoon or evening, you must still checkout by 11:00AM and can check your bags at the bell desk. We suggest some shopping to fill the time!

**THE BUDDY SYSTEM** – Although Cabo San Lucas is a popular tourist and resort destination, we highly recommend you use the buddy system. Make sure that at all times your roommates and friends know where to find you at all times. When going back to the hotel at night, always make sure you're with a group. Always remember that there is safety in numbers! **DO NOT** walk on the beach, or anywhere alone at night and never get into a taxicab or ride service by yourself.

**DRUGS** – Just say NO! **DRUG POSSESSION AND USE IS ILLEGAL.** Do not buy, sell, or use drugs anywhere. This is one of the easiest ways to get kicked out of your hotel, sent home, or end up in a foreign jail for a long time. It's simply not worth the risk!

**TAXIS** – Taxis run all day and all night (less frequent in the early morning hours). The Taxis cost is anywhere from \$5 to \$35 depending on how far you are going. Rates are negotiable. We recommend that you always agree on a rate before getting in. You can take up to four people in a standard taxicab. We strongly recommend that no one ride in a taxi or ride service alone, especially at night.

**MOTORIZED WATER SPORTS** – All equipment is owned locally and any damage to the equipment will be your responsibility. Be careful! Many students have been charged for damage they may not have done. Check the equipment for damage before using.

**MOPEDS** – We strongly recommend that you DO NOT rent mopeds. Moped collisions are a common occurrence. All equipment is owned locally and any damage to the equipment will be your responsibility.

**OCEAN** – The currents off the coast of Cabo can be very strong and have a deceptively strong undertow. During the day please check with your hotel for the day's conditions. Many hotels also have a flag warning system to warn against potential hazards. Respect all posted warnings and swim in the ocean with caution. Regardless, do not go into the ocean at night. It is extremely dangerous!

**BALCONIES** – Do not sit on the ledge of your balcony or try and jump balconies from one room to another. It is very easy to fall off your balcony. Fatalities have occurred from this in the past!

**CROSSING THE STREET** – While it may seem simple enough, this is one of the most dangerous activities in Cabo San Lucas. Always look both ways and take it seriously. Cars and buses drive very fast down the roads and often do not yield to pedestrians. Unlike the U.S., pedestrians do not have the right of way. Use extreme caution when crossing the road and only cross in designated crosswalks.

**MONEY & WIRE TRANSFERS SERVICE** – If you run out of money, don't worry! GradWeek is here to help. Simply call home and have your parents contact the GradWeek corporate office to request a Wire Transfer Form at (800) 448-4444 between the hours of 8:30am and 3:00pm Pacific Standard Time. Our office will process your parents' credit card for up to \$300 and GradWeek will pay you on-site by GradWeek Staff. Money wires are distributed Monday through Friday between 6:00pm and 7:00pm (Cabo Time). You will need to bring a photo ID with you to receive your money.

**THE LAWS OF MEXICO** – In general, all laws that apply in the United States also apply in Mexico. The difference is in Mexico you will be tried as an adult regardless of your age and unlike the U.S., in Mexico you are essentially treated as "Guilty Until Proven Innocent." Use common sense and treat others with respect and you shouldn't have any trouble. However, using, possessing, buying, and/or selling drugs, fighting, urinating in public, vandalism, theft, and climbing hotel balconies are ways tourists often find themselves in a Mexican jail. If you taunt or harass a law enforcement officer, you will be arrested. Also, do not walk on the beach or swim in the ocean at night. GradWeek travelers may be required to provide identification to enter certain nightclubs and restaurants.

**ON-SITE 24-HOUR GRADWEEK STAFF NUMBER IS: Provided to travelers upon arrival**

## 2019 CABO SAN LUCAS EVENT SCHEDULE

JUNE

**PLEASE NOTE:** All events are optional, and attendance is not required. Attendance at the event, mode of transportation to and from the event, length of stay at the event, and the purchase and consumption of alcohol is at the sole discretion of the traveler. Please check the reader board in your hotel lobby for changes, additional events, activities, and pool parties.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	8:30 PM Dinner @ El Squid Roe 10:00 PM Club Night @ El Squid Roe	8:30 PM Dinner @ Abolengo 10:00 PM Club Night @ Señor Frog's	10:00 AM Snorkel Excursion 8:30 PM Dinner @ Casa Amigos   10:00 PM Club Night @ La Vaquita	10:00 AM Todos Santos Beach Day   8:30 PM Dinner @ Señor Frog's   10:00 PM Club Night @ Mandala	8:30 PM Dinner Traveler's Choice 10:00 PM Club Night @ Pink Kitty	THANK YOU CLASS OF 2019!





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## EVENT DESCRIPTIONS

### Monday

- **8:30 PM – Dinner @ El Squid Roe** – You'll start your night at the World-Famous El Squid Roe! We've set up a special GradWeek Menu that will leave you full. - **AP Event**
- **10:00 PM – Club Night @ El Squid Roe** – Get ready to dance the night away. This is the perfect place to kick off your week! *\*Travelers under the age of 18 are not permitted by the club after midnight.*

### Tuesday

- **8:30 PM – Dinner @ Abolengo** – Located right in the middle of all the action, Abolengo is steps from all the nightlife. Pre-game with a hearty meal and then head to the party! - **AP Event**
- **10:00 PM – Club Night @ Señor Frog's** – Join us at the World Famous Sr. Frog's. The House MC will entertain you and get you geared up for the evening!

### Wednesday

- **10:00 AM – Snorkel Excursion Day** – Please see the reader board in the hotel lobby for details.
- **8:30 PM – Dinner @ Casa Amigos** – Casa Amigos is a place created by four friends, who gathered in Cabo San Lucas and they created a place with a unique experience that Cabo could only offer: A exceptional menu based with Mexican Fusion Cuisine, amazing drinks with a touch of mezcal, diverse music for family and friends. After dinner, the party starts. - **AP Event**
- **10:00 PM – Club Night @ La Vaquita** – La Vaquita is known worldwide for being one of the craziest nightclubs in Los Cabos, Mexico and it is true! Our parties will blow your mind, we are the perfect spot to dance the night away to the rhythm of reggaeton, hip hop and Latin beats. We are loud, wild and the definition of fun in Los Cabos, and of course we are really proud of that! Our venue has open spaces and cow print decoration everywhere, a pictures with our 'cow sculptures' is a must-do during your visit to Cabo!

### Thursday

- **10:00 AM – Todos Santos Beach Day** – Please see the reader board in the hotel lobby for details.
- **8:30 PM – Dinner @ Señor Frog's** – Join us at the World Famous Sr. Frog's. The House MC will entertain you and get you geared up for the evening! - **AP Event**
- **10:00 PM – Club Night @ Mandala** – Definitely, Mandala is the official headquarters for party lovers from around the World, also local celebrities and international stars like Lady Gaga. All of them have fallen in love to the magic of Mandala Cabo San Lucas. Mandala is wild, extravagant, chic and unforgettable.

### Friday

- **8:30 PM – Dinner** – Traveler's choice!
- **10:00 PM – Club Night @ Pink Kitty** – Pink Kitty is an eclectic nightclub in Cabo San Lucas where you can party like no other place in this destination. Electronic music playing loud, drinks and fun make Pink Kitty Cabo appealing to partyholics from all over the world. The club is an intimate and exclusive ambiance, the dance floor is surrounded by VIP tables and at the center there's a pole daring you to try your best moves to the rhythm of the beats... Just for fun! This is the favorite spot for the EDM lovers and people who love to party without limits!



RESTAURANT BAR  
**CASA AMIGOS**  
RESTAURANT BAR



LA VAQUITA



**PINK KITT**

## AREA MAP

