



CANCUN

Cancun is one of the top tourist destinations in North America. Come along with Eric in this wonderful painting and enjoy the history of the Mayan culture and the ruins at Chichen Itza, discover the culture and beautiful nature of Mexico at Xcaret archaeological park, and enjoy downtown Cancun in the hotel zone with all of the activities, shopping and nightlife.

1. El Castillo at Chichen Itza
2. Mayan Observatory at Chichen Itza
3. Arrival of the Conquistadors
4. Mayan Priest in ornate headdresses (*the one to the left is posed as Choc Mol.*)
5. Mayan athlete playing the mayan ball game called Pitz.
6. Julian Bricenó Carillo—guide at Chichen Itza
7. Carlos Aleman Ortiz with Helaman Tours—muchas gracias.
8. Eric Auila Coral—took Eric around a few locations—they really hit it off.
9. Church clock tower in Xcaret.
10. Funny advertising display for Xcaret.
11. Papantla (*flyers*) ancient Mexican tradition.
12. Vaquero or Gaucho—great Mexican cowboys.
13. Beautifully decorated cemetery—Mexican culture honors the dead.
14. Sign Post at Xcaret showing distance to world centers.
15. Nothing better than a hammock nap on the beach with a Caribbean breeze.
16. Three amigos relaxing under beach palapas.
17. Cancun—entrance to the Riviera Maya
18. Observation Tower and cenote entrance at Xcaret.
19. Eric loved staying at the Karisma Azul Resort.
20. Xcaret one of the eco-themed parks in Quintana Roo
21. Lucia Mauguia—Guide around Xcaret
22. Jorge from Marina Barracuda Reef Adventures
23. Cancun Manny with cancunwithme.com
24. Julieta Ramirez Arroyo—owner Rancho La Cachimba Restaurant—great local flavor
25. CoCo Bongo is a fun pop-cultured themed club.
26. Jimmie Buffet's Margaritavilles are top Caribbean stops.
27. Senior Frogs—the club synonymous with Cancun.
28. Parasailing over the turquoise waters is phenomenal.
29. Ricardo Ruiz from CoCo Bongo
30. Server from MeXtreme Restaurant—a fun food fiesta.
31. Lucha Dore with the Coral Negro Flea Market—free
32. A local musician who serenaded Eric in Valladolid—a great colonial city.
33. The white sand beaches of Cancun have few rivals.
34. Juan Rodriguez—He's the ice cream man. Stop him when you're passing by . . . Valladolid.
35. The "Painting the Town" film crew had their hands full on this shoot.
36. The three amigos gazing out across the beach at the turquoise waters.
37. Faustina sewing and embroidering in Valladolid
38. Eric rented a jet ski that broke down out in the middle of the ocean at sundown.
39. Cancun is a modern city with incredible architecture in the hotel zone.