

Captain's Log

Date: 1/2/2008 Location The "Ellipse", Puerto Escondido, Mexico Lat 25.48.827 N Lon 111.18.571 W Vessel: sans clés

Destination: Lat Underway Arrive

Eng Hrs: 2270.6 Guests:

Comments

Entry for fuel purchase only.

Today we moved over to the dock at the Singlar marina to hook up to power, fill the water tanks, and get fuel. Singlar will let you tie up to their dock for the day and just pay for the power you use (metered), and as long as you don't spend the night, you don't have to pay the dock fee. You can get all the water you want for free, including washing the boat, use the restrooms, showers, and laundry facility, and hook up to their internet connection for US@2.50 for the day. Pretty sweet deal.

Bill from the S/V Ellusive took us into Loreto for provisioning. He's turning 75 next week, so we'll plan to be back for his big birthday celebration.

Nice, sunny day today with very light wind.

We filled the primary fuel tank today, after cleaning, etc., so will begin to track hours per gallon again.

Purchased 58 gallons of diesel for \$2.40 per gallon.

Recap

Max Wind Speed:		Max Wave Height:		<input type="checkbox"/> Inland Day	<input type="checkbox"/> Near Coastal Day	Dist for Day (nm):	
# Times Anchored Today:	1	Anchored for Night?	Yes	Times Docked Today:	2	Docked for Night?	No
# Times Moored Today:		Moored for Night?	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fuel Purch?	# Gallons	58	

Time: Bar: Trend: Temp: Wind Waves Lat Lon

Weather:

Comments

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Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 1/3/2008 **Location:** The "Ellipse", Puerto Escondido, Mexico **Lat:** 25.48.827 N **Lon:** 111.18.571 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Ensenada de San Juanico, Mexcio **Lat:** 26.22.065 N **Lon:** 111.25.969 W **Underway:** 10:15 **Arrive:** 16:10
Eng Hrs: 2270.8 **Guests:**

Comments

Very nice day today (although it could have been a little warmer!). The skies were clear, the wind was mild, and the seas were not too wild. We did do a little crashing into oncoming waves, but overall, a pretty comfortable ride.

We motored all the way, since what little wind we had was light and on the nose. We dropped anchor in about 12 feet of water in the north part of this 2-mile long bay, among amazingly contrasting rock formations, from sharp peaks to smooth mounds, with colors ranging from yellow to orange to white and grey. We heard from other cruisers that this bay was very unique in it's rock formations and color, and they were definitely accurate in their description.

There are several beaches and hiking trails here that we'll explore tomorrow and possibly the next day. The snorkeling is supposed to be great here, so tomorrow we'll find out if the water is warm enough to do so. Odds are not good, as most of the bays have had water temperatures in the mid to high 60's for the last few weeks. Pretty brisk!!

We spend four days here with great weather - sunny between 70 and 75 degrees each day - with light winds. Very pleasant.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 15 knots **Max Wave Height:** 5 ft Inland Day Near Coastal Day **Dist for Day (nm):** 37
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No Fuel Purch? **# Gallons**

Time: 10:00 **Bar:** 30.15 **Trend:** Rising **Temp:** 62 ° F **Wind:** 0 **Waves:** 0 **Lat:** 25.48.827 N **Lon:** 111.18.571 W

Weather: Clear skies and no wind.

Comments: Going to take advantage of this weather window to run a little further north.

Time: 13:00 **Bar:** 30.12 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 68 ° F **Wind:** 8 N **Waves:** 4 ft **Lat:** 26.05.239 N **Lon:** 111.14.687 W

Weather: Clear skies with light North wind.

Comments: Approaching the SE corner of Isla Coronados. About half-way to our destination. Motoring, as the wind is light and on the nose.

Captain's Log

Date: 1/7/2008 **Location** Ensenada de San Juanico, Mexcio **Lat** 26.22.178 N **Lon** 111.25.808 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Honeymoon Cove, Isla Danzante, Mexico **Lat** 25.48.536 N **Lon** 111.15.501 W **Underway** 10:10 **Arrive** 17:50
Eng Hrs: 2277.2 **Guests:**

Comments

We sailed all day with just the spinnaker out, until about 1600. By then the wind was too light to get us to our destination before dark, so we struck the spinnaker and fired up the "Iron Genoa" and headed for the anchorage.

We were visited mid-afternoon by a group of dolphins. There were probably about 20 or so, spread across a pretty wide area. They stayed around us for about 45 minutes.

The seas were calm all day, and the sailing was great, making for a very nice day on the water.

We anchored in Honeymoon cove with two other boats that were already there. One was a small sailboat, and one was a powerboat.

The wind died down to nothing, and the anchorage was completely calm. We settled in for what would prove to be a very peaceful night.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 14 knots **Max Wave Height:** 2 ft **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 37
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 9:20 **Bar:** 30.10 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 60 °F **Wind** 5 W **Waves** 1 ft **Lat** 26.22.178 N **Lon** 111.25.808 W

Weather: Beautiful clear skies with light NW wind.

Comments Beautiful day to head south!

Time: 11:25 **Bar:** 30.10 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 68 °F **Wind** 5 NNW **Waves** 1 ft **Lat** 26.20.282 N **Lon** 111.21.141 W

Weather: Clear skies with light NNW wind

Comments Put the spinnaker up at about 11:00 and are sailing along at about 3.5 knots on flat seas in the sun. Very nice!!

Captain's Log

Date: **Location** **Lat** **Lon** **Vessel:**
Destination: **Lat** **Lon** **Underway** **Arrive**
Eng Hrs: **Guests:**

Comments

Moved the boat back over to Puerto Escondido. We stopped at the dock first to get water and charge up. Then we moved into the anchorage in the "Ellipse". Today is the birthday party for one of the long-term boaters here, Bill on S/V Elusive, who turned 75 today. The local boaters put together a party for him this afternoon. He was very pleased, and I'm sure was very touched.

We'll be here for another few days, as we're waiting for Neil and Kaylen on Neka to get back from their trip up north. They're bringing back several things for us.

Once they get back, we'll start heading south to La Paz.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: **Max Wave Height:** **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):**
Times Anchored Today: **Anchored for Night?** **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?**
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 1/12/2008 **Location** Puerto Escondido, Mexico **Lat** 25.48.815 N **Lon** 111.18.576 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Bahia San Marte, BCS, Mexico **Lat** 25.30.253 N **Lon** 111.00.994 W **Underway** 13:00 **Arrive** 17:40
Eng Hrs: 2281.4 **Guests:**

Comments

It was hard to leave all our new friends at Puerto Escondido, but such is the life of a cruiser. We pulled away from the Singlar docks after topping off water and charging the batteries. We raised the sails after we got out of the harbor and sailed for a while, but then the wind died, and we motored the rest of the way.

We were rolling side-to-side most of the day, sometimes pretty severely, and once again, our engine died, just when we were about 300 yards from a big reef. Fortunately the wind had come up enough for us to make some headway under sail, so we were able to steer away from the reef. I switched to the auxiliary fuel tank and bled the line, and the engine started and ran fine. So, there must be something about severe side-to-side rolling that causes air to get in the line from the primary fuel tank. Further exploration is needed. After we got anchored, I switched back to the primary tank, and the engine ran fine until I shut it off after 20 minutes.

The anchorage here is a little roly. Waves are sweeping around from the north-east, but it's not bad. We should be able to sleep just fine tonight.

There's one other boat in the anchorage with us tonight - Raven, with Scott & Cheryl on board. We met them in Puerto Escondido a few days ago.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 12 knots **Max Wave Height:** 5 ft **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 26
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 16:05 **Bar:** 30.00 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 73 °F **Wind** 10 NW **Waves** 3 ft **Lat** 25.34.364 N **Lon** 111.03.731 W

Weather: Clear skies with light NW wind

Comments Motoring along in rolling seas, as we need to get to our planned anchorage before dark.

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 1/13/2008 **Location** Bahia San Marte, BCS, Mexico **Lat** 25.30.253 N **Lon** 111.00.994 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Isla Santa Catalina, BCS, Mexico **Lat** 25.36.074 N **Lon** 110.46.582 W **Underway** 10:35 **Arrive** 13:35
Eng Hrs: 2285.4 **Guests:**

Comments

We raised the sails as soon as we cleared the reef on the south end of the bay. We started with a reef in both the main and headsail, and were sailing along at about 7 knots with 20-knot winds. After about an hour the winds calmed somewhat, so we shook out the reefs and continued on. Then about an hour after that, the wind began to build, and over the next hour went as high as 32 knots (true). We continued to reef as the wind built, and then finally about 1/2 mile from our destination, we dropped all sail and motored in. With the wind between 25 and 30 knots and the seas as high as 8 feet with a short wave length, it was quite an exciting ride. Much more exciting than the First Mate was happy with.

But, we made it in to the little bay on the southwest corner of the island by mid-afternoon, safe and sound, dropped the hook and had lunch. It's very windy in the anchorage, but there are no waves, as the island blocks them from the North.

The wind is supposed to be higher tomorrow, and then calm down somewhat the next day, so we'll probably stay here two nights to wait out the weather.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 32 knots **Max Wave Height:** 8 ft. **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 16
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 9:23 **Bar:** 30.00 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 62 ° F **Wind** 20 NNW **Waves** 3 ft **Lat** 25.30.253 N **Lon** 111.00.995 W

Weather: Clear skies with brisk NNW wind

Comments Forecast is for continued 20-25 knot winds for the next few days. Good downwind sailing! Although the seas are a little rough.

Time: 12:00 **Bar:** 30.00 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 70 ° F **Wind** 15 NNW **Waves** 6 ft **Lat** 25.32.476 N **Lon** 110.53.769 W

Weather: Clear skies with moderate NNW wind.

Comments Sailing along close-hauled at about 6 knots. Great to be under sail again!!

Captain's Log

Date: 1/14/2008 **Location** Isla Santa Catalina, BCS, Mexico **Lat** 25.36.074 N **Lon** 110.46.582 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Ensenada la Ballena, BCS, Mexico **Lat** 25.28.489 N **Lon** 111.01.130 W **Underway** 9:20 **Arrive** 12:20
Eng Hrs: 2286.2 **Guests:**

Comments

Had a lively sail back across the channel from Isla Santa Catalina to the Baja penninsula. The wind was around 20 knots most of the way over, so we were able to maintain a boat speed of between 6 and 7.5 knots. The waves were coming at us on the beam, but presented no problem, as the wind was strong enough to keep the boat from rolling too much. She would just rise up over the crests and dip down in the valleys, all the while maintaining good trim and speed.

We chose to visit this bay, Ballena, because of the unique rock formations and a cave that you can explore by dinghy. We dropped anchor up in the north bight in about 19 feet of water over sand. Very picturesque and peaceful.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 22 knots **Max Wave Height:** 8 ft **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 15
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 8:15 **Bar:** 30.02 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 60 °F **Wind** 20 NNW **Waves** 5 ft **Lat** 25.36.074 N **Lon** 110.46.582 W

Weather: Mostly clear skies with brisk NNW winds. Some clouds to the south.

Comments Forecast is for wind to continue to be 20-30 knots for the next several days.

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 1/15/2008 **Location** Ensenada la Ballena, BCS, Mexico **Lat** 25.28.489 N **Lon** 111.01.130 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Puerto Los Gatos, BCS, Mexico **Lat** 25.18.203 N **Lon** 110.56.786 W **Underway** 9:05 **Arrive** 11:10
Eng Hrs: 2287.3 **Guests:**

Comments

We raised the spinnaker at about 9:20, and had a great downwind ride for the couple of hours down to Los Gatos. The seas were relatively flat with 12-15 knot wind out of the NNW, and clear skies. We averaged about 6 knots over ground under spinnaker alone. Perfect!

Terri immediately went to shore to wander among the huge smooth red rocks here. When we were here about a month ago we saw them for the first time. Never have seen anything like them. The formation is about 200 feet high, and looks a lot like a melting strawberry ice cream cone.

The winds are supposed to calm down tonight and tomorrow, so we'll stay here tonight, but then probably move on down further south tomorrow.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 16 knots **Max Wave Height:** 3 ft **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 11
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 8:00 **Bar:** 30.05 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 60 °F **Wind** 5 NW **Waves** 1 ft **Lat** 25.28.489 N **Lon** 111.01.130 W

Weather: Clear skies with very light wind.

Comments Forecast is for 10-15 knots NNW today, calming down this evening and tomorrow.

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 1/17/2008 **Location** Puerto Los Gatos, BCS, Mexico **Lat** 25.18.203 N **Lon** 110.56.786 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: La Amortajada, San Jose Island, Mexico **Lat** 24.52.063 N **Lon** 110.34.372 W **Underway** 9:15 **Arrive** 14:45
Eng Hrs: 2289.4 **Guests:**

Comments

Put the spinnaker up at 9:35. Sailed along at 6-7 knots under spinnaker alone.

Had a great sail all the way to our anchorage. The wind stayed pretty constant at about 17 knots, occasionally gusting up to 22. With the spinnaker up and 22 knots of wind, we hit a boat speed of 8.5 knots a few times. Felt like we were flying!! My calculations show that we averaged almost 7 knots for the trip. That's fantastic sailing!!

There's a lagoon here with an estuary that winds through the mangroves. Supposed to be many varieties of birds and sea life. It was too rough today for us to launch the dinghy and explore, but will hopefully do that tomorrow.

The winds are out of the north and cold. We retreated to the cabin before the sun went down. The wind is still at about 17 knots out of the north. We're comfortable enough where we're anchored, but it would be nice if the wind would calm down a little more.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 22 knots **Max Wave Height:** 4 ft. **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 34
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 8:35 **Bar:** 29.95 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 60 °F **Wind** 12 NNW **Waves** 1 ft **Lat** 25.18.203 N **Lon** 110.56.786 W

Weather: Clear skies with moderate NW wind.

Comments Forecast is for calm winds today, building to 20-25 NNW tonight. We should have a good run down to San Jose.

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 1/18/2008 **Location** La Amortajada, San Jose Island, Mexico **Lat** 24.52.063 N **Lon** 110.34.372 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: The "Hook", Isla San Francisco, Mexico **Lat** 24.49.305 N **Lon** 110.34.190 W **Underway** 13:05 **Arrive** 14:10
Eng Hrs: 2293.1 **Guests:**

Comments

This morning we put the dinghy in the water and went off to explore the estuary that winds through the mangroves on shore. We found the entrance, but as the tide was going out, we had to get out and pull the dinghy upstream against about a 5 knot current in about 2 feet of water. Once we got through the opening, there was a big lagoon, and off to in the northeast side of the lagoon was the entrance to the estuary. There were a lot of white egrets and pelicans and other sea birds in the mangrove trees. We came out the other end of the estuary on the other side of the spit we were anchored behind, and after once again "fording" the stream out that end into the bay, had a pretty wild dinghy ride back around the point, as the wind was up to about 18 knots, and the seas were about 4-5 feet and breaking! But, we made it home alive (Terri says that just proves I'm insane - like the Billy Joel song).

Had NNW winds of about 15 knots in the afternoon which made for a very pleasant sail the short distance over to a bay called the "Hook" at the south end of Isla San Francisco. We put the dink in the water and went exploring on shore. There was a trail that went to the ridge of the hills surrounding the Hook, so we hiked the ridge from one end to the other. Spectacular views!! Terri's log has some great pictures.

We anchored way up in the NW corner of the bay in about 16 feet of water over sand and sea grass. Very good protection from the NW wind and waves.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 18 knots **Max Wave Height:** 4 ft. **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 5
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 12:00 **Bar:** 30.10 **Trend:** Rising **Temp:** 68 °F **Wind** 19 NNW **Waves** 4 ft **Lat** 24.52.064 N **Lon** 110.34.339 W

Weather: Mostly clear with moderate NNW winds.

Comments Looks like a good day for sailing the short distance to the south end of Isla San Francisco.

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 1/19/2008 **Location:** The "Hook", Isla San Francisco, Mexico **Lat:** 24.49.305 N **Lon:** 110.34.190 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Ensenada Grande, Isla la Partida, Mexico **Lat:** 24.33.882 N **Lon:** 110.24.185 W **Underway:** 10:20 **Arrive:** 13:30
Eng Hrs: 2294.9 **Guests:** _____

Comments

We had a wild ride from Isla San Francisco to Isla la Partida. The wind was stronger than forecast, and the waves were "angry". We should have known right away that we were in for a rough time when we put the sails up in the bay at San Francisco, and within about 30 seconds the boat speed was up to 7.5 knots!! When we cleared the bay, the full force of the wind and waves hit us. We spent the next 3 hours battling winds that were 25-35 knots and waves that were 8-9 feet and breaking. We would frequently surf down the front of a wave at almost 10 knots boat speed, and then be thrown sideways in the trough where the combination of the next wave and the 30-knot winds caused us to round up. We had to hand steer all the way, since the force of the waves was too much for the autopilot to handle. There are going to be some sore shoulder muscles tomorrow!!

At the end of the wild ride, we anchored in a great little bay called Ensenada Grande. There are three bights in the bay, and we anchored in the middle one in about 10 feet of lime-green water between spectacular cliffs. The bay is very protected from the weather. It's such a great place, we'll probably stay here a couple of days.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 36 knots **Max Wave Height:** 9 ft. **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 22
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** _____ **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: _____ **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons** _____

Time: 9:37 **Bar:** 30.13 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 64 °F **Wind:** 17 NNW **Waves:** 1 ft **Lat:** 24.49.305 N **Lon:** 110.34.190 W

Weather: Mostly clear skies with moderate NNW winds

Comments: Forecast is for 20-25 NNW wind. Should be a good day for a downwind run to Partida.

Time: _____ **Bar:** _____ **Trend:** _____ **Temp:** _____ **Wind:** _____ **Waves:** _____ **Lat:** _____ **Lon:** _____

Weather: _____

Comments: _____

Captain's Log

Date: 1/21/2008 **Location** Ensenada Grande, Isla la Partida, Mexico **Lat** 24.33.882 N **Lon** 110.24.185 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: El Cardoncito, Isla la Partida, Mexico **Lat** 24.32.288 N **Lon** 110.23.464 W **Underway** 10:35 **Arrive** 12:05
Eng Hrs: 2299.9 **Guests:**

Comments

We motored the short distance down to Cardoncito. We explored a couple of bays along the way and went into Partida Cove, only to turn around and head back up to Cardoncito. We're glad we did, as the anchorage is very cozy and private. Terri spent hours watching the pelicans, trying to get just the right picture of them diving for dinner.

We had a little problem setting the anchor, however. We wanted to set a stern anchor to keep the bow pointed toward the opening to the bay so we'd be able to more comfortably ride the rollers that were coming in. The wind, however, was blowing from the shore, so when we set the primary anchor, before we could get the stern anchor out behind the boat, the boat had swung around. I took the stern anchor toward shore anyway, thinking that if we set it, we could swing the boat around. That didn't work, so we decided to back down on the primary anchor again. Just a moment too late we both thought about the fact that we might get the stern anchor line caught in the prop. At just that instant, sure enough, we did. It hard-stopped the engine and jammed the transmission. After calmly assessing the situation (yeah, right!!), it was clear there was no choice but to dive down and clear the mess off the prop. So I donned my snorkel, mask and fins, and jumped into the cold, slimy water. After 6 or 7 dives down, I was able to get the tangled mass off the prop. When we got it all sorted out, we gingerly started the engine and put it in gear. It worked, with nothing flying off or vibrating wildly!! We didn't try going forward, as we already had the primary anchor set, so we'll test that tomorrow.

We then set the stern anchor the right way, by using the dinghy to pull the stern of the boat toward the beach before dropping the stern anchor. Once it was all tightened down, we settled in to enjoy the rest of the day.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 5 NW **Max Wave Height:** 1 ft **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 8
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 9:25 **Bar:** 30.10 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 58 °F **Wind** 0 **Waves** 0 **Lat** 24.33.882 N **Lon** 110.24.185 W

Weather: Clear skies with no wind.

Comments Forecast is for very light N wind, so we'll motor down to Partida Cove.

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 1/22/2008 **Location** El Cardoncito, Isla la Partida, Mexico **Lat** 24.32.288 N **Lon** 110.23.464 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: La Paz, Mexico **Lat** 24.09.306 N **Lon** 110.19.776 W **Underway** 12:35 **Arrive** 14:45
Eng Hrs: 2302.0 **Guests:**

Comments

The prop appears to be working fine. There was no additional vibration, and the boat speed at 2500 RPM was the same as before. Looks like we dodged a bullet on that one!

We had wind out of the NE, so we sailed for about an hour with just the headsail. That allowed us to explore the coves along Isla Espritu Santos and have a nice easy sail at the same time.

The wind lightened up, we motored the rest of the way to La Paz without incident. We anchored just south of the entrance to Marina de La Paz - a perfect location for us to take care of the business we need to over the next few days.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 13 NE **Max Wave Height:** 3 ft. **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 26
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 11:15 **Bar:** 30.12 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 65 °F **Wind** 5 NE **Waves** 1 ft **Lat** 24.32.288 N **Lon** 110.23.464 W

Weather: Cloudy with light NE wind.

Comments It's cold without the sun out!!

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: **Location** **Lat** **Lon** **Vessel:**
Destination: **Lat** **Lon** **Underway** **Arrive**
Eng Hrs: **Guests:**

Comments

There was no wind, so we motored all the way from La Paz on totally flat seas. When we got to Bahia Cardoncito, we found there was another boat already there. It's pretty much a one-boat cove, but we tried to anchor a little further out. We couldn't get the anchor to set, so we moved around to Cardonal.

Had a heck of a time setting the anchor in El Cardonal. The bottom is supposed to be sand, but it acted more like gravel. Took many attempts to get it to hold.

Finally got it set, had lunch, and settled in for the stay.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: **Max Wave Height:** **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):**
Times Anchored Today: **Anchored for Night?** **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?**
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: **Location** **Lat** **Lon** **Vessel:**
Destination: **Lat** **Lon** **Underway** **Arrive**
Eng Hrs: **Guests:**

Comments

Very nice day, but not enough wind to sail, so we motored up to Bahia San Evaristo. We spotted a few whales on the way, but they were so far away that all you could see was their occasional splashes.

We anchored in the NE corner of the north bight in about 25 feet of water. Very protected and peaceful here. There are 3 other boats in the bay, but it's a large bay, and they're quite a distance away, so we still have a very private anchorage.

As the sun is setting, the wind is absolutely calm, and the water in the anchorage is totally flat. Very nice!!

Recap

Max Wind Speed: **Max Wave Height:** **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):**
Times Anchored Today: **Anchored for Night?** **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?**
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: **Location** **Lat** **Lon** **Vessel:**
Destination: **Lat** **Lon** **Underway** **Arrive**
Eng Hrs: **Guests:**

Comments

After being pinned down in Evaristo for four days due to strong NNW wind, we're anxious to get going. Evaristo is a beautiful place, but four days is more than enough to see everything there is to see.

We raised sails while still in the bay and sailed out into 10-12 knot north wind. The wind stayed with us for about an hour, and then died. We fired up the engine and made a circle around Isla Coyote, a quaint little fishing community on a very small island.

Once we cleared the south end of Isla San Francisco, the wind picked back up, so we were under sail again. The wind gradually built to 17-22 knots out of the NE, and the waves built to between 6 and 8 feet. That proved to be too much for Terri's Mom. By the time we were 30 minutes away from our anchorage, she was tossing her cookies!! It seems "The Patch" didn't work as well as hoped.

We dropped anchor in about 13 feet of water off the white sand beach of the middle bight of Ensenada Grande. The bay was empty when we pulled in, but as soon as we got our anchor down, another boat came in and anchored beside us (about 100 feet away). Too crowded!!

We settled in for the afternoon and night. The wind abated, giving us a very calm anchorage.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: **Max Wave Height:** **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):**
Times Anchored Today: **Anchored for Night?** **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?**
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 2/9/2008 **Location** Ensenada Grande, Isla Partida, Mexico **Lat** 24.33.877 N **Lon** 110.24.227 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Marina de La Paz, La Paz, Mexico **Lat** 24.09.312 N **Lon** 110.19.618 W **Underway** 9:20 **Arrive** 14:00
Eng Hrs: 2323.0 **Guests:** Terri's Mom

Comments

Motored all the way, as the wind was very light until we were entering the La Paz channel. Tried to fly the spinnaker, but gave up after 15 minutes as there wasn't enough wind.

Saw a bunch of dolphins and a whale on the way in.

We took a run in to the entrance of the marina and saw that the tide was running pretty strong, so we decided to anchor out for a couple of hours to wait for the tide to subside. We anchored next to "Daydream" (Wayne & Susan) that we had met originally on Carmen Island.

After a couple of hours we moved the boat in to slip 329, where we stayed for the next 4 days.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 18 **Max Wave Height:** 3 ft **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 29
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** No **Times Docked Today:** 1 **Docked for Night?** Yes
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 7:53 **Bar:** 29.95 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 60 °F **Wind** 6 NNE **Waves** 1 ft **Lat** 24.33.877 N **Lon** 110.24.227 W

Weather: Mostly cloudy with light NE wind.

Comments Forecast is for light NNW wind. Looks like a good day for a spinnaker run to La Paz.

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: Location Lat Lon Vessel:

Destination: Lat Lon Underway Arrive

Eng Hrs: Guests:

Comments

Entry for fuel purchase only. Moved from our slip over to the fuel dock, and then back after fueling.
Purchased 58.4 gallons, of which 3 went into the auxiliary tank. At 57.4 hours, the approximate gal per hour since last fill = 1.04

Recap

Max Wind Speed: <input type="text"/>	Max Wave Height: <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Inland Day	<input type="checkbox"/> Near Coastal Day	Dist for Day (nm): <input type="text"/>
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Weather:

Comments

Time: Bar: Trend: Temp: Wind Waves Lat Lon

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 2/13/2008 **Location** Marina de La Paz, La Paz, Mexico **Lat** 24.09.312 N **Lon** 110.19.618 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Bahia de Los Muertos, BCS, Mexico **Lat** 23.59.428 N **Lon** 109.49.742 W **Underway** 8:30 **Arrive** 16:35
Eng Hrs: 2328.2 **Guests:**

Comments

Spotted a couple of whales at the north end of Cerralvo Channel. Looked like a mother and calf. Terri tried to coax them over closer to the boat, but they turned the other direction and sped away.

Then, about an hour later, in the middle of Cerralvo Channel, we saw a big pod of dolphins. There were at least a hundred, and they came right at us, jumping along both sides of the boat as they raced on past us.

The wind came up a little as we were approaching the south end of Cerralvo Channel, so we put out the headsail to assist with the motoring. There was not a significant difference in speed, and after about 45 minutes, the wind died back down, so we rolled in the headsail and motored the rest of the way into Los Muertos.

There were two power boats and one sailboat in the anchorage when we arrived. Shortly after, one of the power boats left.

We had dinner at the Giggin' Marlin, their excellent chicken-stuffed potatoes taking the prize again! Then back to the boat for a quiet evening and a good night's sleep.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 11 knots **Max Wave Height:** 4 ft **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 56
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 8:20 **Bar:** 29.90 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 64 °F **Wind** 0 **Waves** 0 **Lat** 24.09.311 N **Lon** 110.19.617 W

Weather: Clear skies and no wind.

Comments Based on the forecast of no wind, it looks like it'll be a motor boat ride to Muertos.

Time: 12:48 **Bar:** 29.90 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 73 °F **Wind** 2 SE **Waves** 2 ft **Lat** 24.15.270 N **Lon** 110.04.316 W

Weather: Clear skies with no wind.

Comments Very nice day with smooth seas and light wind, as forecasted.

Captain's Log

Date: 2/14/2008 **Location** Bahia de Los Muertos, BCS, Mexico **Lat** 23.59.409 N **Lon** 109.49.735 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Mazatlan, Mexico **Lat** **Lon** **Underway** 8:55 **Arrive**
Eng Hrs: 2336.4 **Guests:**

Comments

At 10:15, based on the current weather forecasts, we decided to head straight for Mazatlan, rather than stopping in Los Frailes. That will mean two nights out, rather than one, but we'll just sail as much as possible in the light winds that are forecasted and enjoy an easy crossing.

At about 1400 the wind came up, so we raised the sails and had a good sail until about 0130 the next morning. We sailed on a close reach most of the time, with our boat speed between 6 and 7.5 knots. Nice ride!!

I told Terri this probably wasn't the most romantic Valentine's Day she's ever had, but probably the most unique!

Trip continued on the next page.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 18 knots **Max Wave Height:** 6 ft **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 95
Times Anchored Today: **Anchored for Night?** No **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 7:55 **Bar:** 29.90 **Trend:** Rising **Temp:** 62 ° F **Wind** 0 **Waves** 0 **Lat** 23.59.409 N **Lon** 109.49.735 W

Weather: Mostly cloudy with no wind.

Comments

Time: 2:30 **Bar:** 29.90 **Trend:** Droppin **Temp:** 73 ° F **Wind** 10 SE **Waves** 3 ft **Lat** 23.47.002 N **Lon** 109.11.879 W

Weather: Partly cloudy with moderate SE wind.

Comments The wind has veered from NW to SE within the last hour. The forecast is for south wind later today and through the night. If it veers a little more to the south, we'll be able to sail (albeit slowly) toward our destination.

Date:

Time Entries - Continued

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Weather:

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Captain's Log

Date: 2/15/2008 **Location** Continued from Previous Page **Lat** **Lon** **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Mazatlan, Mexico **Lat** 23.10.993 N **Lon** 106.25.282 W **Underway** **Arrive** 15:05
Eng Hrs: **Guests:**

Comments

At about 0115 the wind died, and we ended up motoring the rest of the way to Mazatlan. It was an uneventful trip. We saw no other pleasure boats until we were within 15 miles of Mazatlan, but we did see several freighters throughout the night and the next morning. We saw no sea life other than a few birds and fish.

The wind was high enough that we had great sailing, often reaching 7.5 knots of boat speed. That, combined with our motoring after the wind died, got us in to Mazatlan with only one night out, instead of the two we thought it would be.

When we pulled into the anchorage in the Old Harbor, we saw two boats belonging to friends of ours - "Tigger" with Rick and Sherri and "Delphin Solo" with Tashen and Rengin. We briefly stopped by both boats to say "Hi", and then headed back for a quick supper and SLEEP!!

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 10 knots **Max Wave Height:** 3 ft **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 105
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 2:25 **Bar:** 29.95 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 60 ° F **Wind** 5 SSE **Waves** 4 ft **Lat** 23.39.154 N **Lon** 107.54.226 W

Weather: Partly cloudy with light SSE wind.

Comments Had to turn the motor back on about an hour ago. Not enough wind to keep us going at any reasonable speed.

Time: 7:05 **Bar:** 30.00 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 62 ° F **Wind** 3 SSW **Waves** 1 ft **Lat** 23.28.225 N **Lon** 107.20.271 W

Weather: Mostly clear skies with no wind and flat seas.

Comments Had a beautiful sunrise at 0645 this morning. Motoring along at 7 knots.

Captain's Log

Date: 2/25/2008 **Location** Mazatlan, Mexico **Lat** 23.16.261 N **Lon** 106.27.296 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Isla Isabela, Mexico **Lat** **Lon** **Underway** 15:15 **Arrive**
Eng Hrs: 2357.3 **Guests:**

Comments

Purchased fuel at El Cid Marina. Fuel used since last purchase = 43.6 gal, 1.49 gal/hr. ave.

We motored down to the Old Harbor where our friends on Tigger were anchored. They're heading south with us today, so wanted to touch base and get clear on the plan. The wind was coming out of the south at about 10 knots, but diminishing, so we decided to wait for an hour before we took off. We went around the point to Stone Island where we anchored and had lunch.

Tigger called and said they were ready to go, so we pulled up the anchor and headed south.

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Recap

Max Wind Speed: 8 knots **Max Wave Height:** 2 ft **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 45
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** No **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons** 43.6

Time: 11:07 **Bar:** 30.00 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 75 °F **Wind** 8 SSE **Waves** 0 **Lat** 23.16.261 N **Lon** 106.27.296 W

Weather: Clear skies with a light SSE wind.

Comments The forecast is for the wind to shift to the west this afternoon, then to northwest. Should be perfect conditions for the overnight run to Isabela.

Time: 17:00 **Bar:** 29.90 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 79 °F **Wind** 6 SSW **Waves** 2 ft **Lat** 23.04.626 N **Lon** 106.23.582 W

Weather: Clear skies. Very light wind.

Comments Turned the motor on a few minutes ago, as we were making less than 2 knots under sail.

Captain's Log

Date: **Location** **Lat** **Lon** **Vessel:**
Destination: **Lat** **Lon** **Underway** **Arrive**
Eng Hrs: **Guests:**

Comments

Anchored just south of the two rocks called Las Moñas (the Mannequins) in about 20 feet of water. Our anchor set in a bit of a hole between two rocks, so might be interesting trying to get it back.

After our friends on "Tigger" came in, around 11 am, we went exploring on shore. Thousands of Frigate birds with their nests and young. If you ever wonder where the Frigates come from, this island must be the main factory! One of the University students told us there were more than 5 million Frigates on this island! In addition, there were several different kinds of Boobies, including the famous Blue-Footed Boobie, also with their young and nests. In the water, many different kinds of fish and lots of them. We took one of the many trails on the island to a fresh-water lake in the middle named Crater Lake. Not at all like the Crater Lake in Oregon!

By the end of the day, there were four boats anchored in the small bay. Besides us, there was "Last Mango", "Tigger", and "Misty Michael". We had everyone over to our boat for snacks and cocktails. Then about 6 pm, everyone retreated to their own boat for a good night's rest.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: **Max Wave Height:** **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):**
Times Anchored Today: **Anchored for Night?** **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?**
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 2/27/2008 **Location** Isla Isabela, Mexico **Lat** 21.50.839 N **Lon** 105.52.732 N **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Matanchen Bay, Mexico **Lat** 21.31.167 N **Lon** 105.14.443 W **Underway** 8:20 **Arrive** 17:30
Eng Hrs: 2370.3 **Guests:**

Comments

After a very roly night in the anchorage on the east side of Isla Isabela, we upped anchor and headed for San Blas.

Had a very nice run from Isla Isabela to Matanchen Bay (just south of San Blas). We were able to sail most of the way, with winds first from the NW, and then about mid-day, changing to SW, always about 9-12 knots. We did motor for about for a total of about 2 1/2 hours out of the 9 hour trip, including about an hour while the wind shifted from NW to SW. All in all, a very pleasant day of sailing.

Early afternoon, we saw a few Marlins jumping out of the water about a mile off. Pretty cool! Then, about mid-afternoon, we heard a couple of weird sounds, and then finally realized that it was a couple of whales communicating, and we were hearing their "conversation" amplified through our fiberglass hull.

We dropped anchor among four other boats in about 16 feet of water. There are rollers coming in from the SW, but hopefully they will die down later as the wind shifts back around to the NW.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 12 knots **Max Wave Height:** 5 ft **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 46
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 9:48 **Bar:** 29.90 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 73 °F **Wind** 8 NW **Waves** 3 ft **Lat** 21.47.186 N **Lon** 105.48.003 W

Weather: Mostly clear skies with light NW wind.

Comments Sailing on a broad reach, making about 4 knots over ground.

Time: 13:22 **Bar:** 29.85 **Trend:** Falling **Temp:** 78 °F **Wind** 9 W **Waves** 5 ft **Lat** 21.37.805 N **Lon** 105.34.844 W

Weather: Clear skies with light, wispy cloud on the southern horizon.

Comments The wind died down to the point where we had to turn on the motor about 20 minutes ago. We had a great sail all morning, though.

Captain's Log

Date: 3/1/2008 **Location** Matanchen Bay, Mexico **Lat** 21.31.167 N **Lon** 105.14.443 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Chacala, Mexico **Lat** 21.09.823 N **Lon** 105.13.573 W **Underway** 11:30 **Arrive** 16:30
Eng Hrs: 2373.6 **Guests:**

Comments

We got the spinnaker all set up while we were still in the anchorage, as it looked like we had NW wind, which would be perfect for a spinnaker run down to Chacala. However, as soon as we got out from behind the point that protects the anchorage, we found that the true wind direction was SW, meaning we wouldn't be able to use our spinnaker. So, we set the main and genoa for a close reach, and sailed along at about 6 knots into about 15 knots of wind.

About half-way to Chacala, we made a left turn around a rock, and that put the wind on our stern quarter, so we were able to roll in the genoa and put up the spinnaker. The wind died down somewhat, so our speed over ground was about 5 knots as we headed for the anchorage at Chacala.

About 5 miles out, the wind died to the point where we decided to motor the rest of the way in. There were four other boats in the anchorage, so we picked our spot, fairly close to the beach, in about 18 feet of water, and dropped both a bow and stern anchor to keep us pointed into the 3-4 foot swells. To complete setting the stern anchor, we had to deploy the dinghy and run the anchor out with it, as the wind was keeping the boat at an angle to the swells that prevented us from backing straight down to be able to set the stern anchor in the right location.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 15 knots **Max Wave Height:** 4 ft **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 25
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 9:55 **Bar:** 29.95 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 74 ° F **Wind** 8 NW **Waves** 2 ft **Lat** 21.31.167 N **Lon** 105.14.443 W

Weather: Mostly clear with very light NW wind

Comments Looks like a good day for a spinnaker run down to Chacala.

Time: 14:25 **Bar:** 29.85 **Trend:** Falling **Temp:** 81 ° F **Wind** 8 SW **Waves** 3 ft **Lat** 21.16.892 N **Lon** 105.19.597 W

Weather: Partly cloudy with light SW wind.

Comments Sailing along nicely with spinnaker and mainsail. Very nice, lazy sail. Should be anchored before 1700.

Captain's Log

Date: **Location** **Lat** **Lon** **Vessel:**
Destination: **Lat** **Lon** **Underway** **Arrive**
Eng Hrs: **Guests:**

Comments

After motoring about 1/3 of the way, the wind came up, and we had a wonderful sail the rest of the way to La Cruz, with the last hour or so being the most exciting, where we were consistently reaching 8 knots speed over ground with about 25 knots of wind.

When we came in to the anchorage at La Cruz, we saw several other boats we knew. We anchored between "Beyond Reason" and "Tripple Stars", who we've known since the Baja Ha-Ha. We had dinner with them in town at a little restaurant that was just closing at 7 pm, but they re-opened for us. The food was great, and it was great to get together with our friends again.

Also in the anchorage was "360", Joel and Mary Thornton, who came down with us on the Baja Ha-Ha this year, after we sailed with them last year from Seattle to San Francisco on their boat. We hailed them and made arrangements for dinner tomorrow night.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: **Max Wave Height:** **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):**
Times Anchored Today: **Anchored for Night?** **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?**
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: **Location** **Lat** **Lon** **Vessel:**
Destination: **Lat** **Lon** **Underway** **Arrive**
Eng Hrs: **Guests:**

Comments

The wind was on the nose (of course), so we tacked across Banderas Bay in front of the main part of the town of Puerto Vallarta. We explored the island rocks of Los Arcos on the way to Las Animas, as the snorkeling there is supposed to be the best on the west coast of Mexico.

When we arrived at Las Animas, we could barely see our friends on Triple Stars because there were so many big tour boats, pangas, jet skis, parasailors, etc. However, by about 16:30, true to form, they had all cleared out and we had the bay to ourselves. We had Rob and Jan over for drinks and dinner, and had a very enjoyable evening.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: **Max Wave Height:** **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):**
Times Anchored Today: **Anchored for Night?** **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?**
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 3/15/2008 **Location** Las Animas, Banderas Bay, Mexico **Lat** 20.30.475 N **Lon** 105.20.775 W **Vessel:** sans clés

Destination: Yelapa, Banderas Bay, Mexico **Lat** 20.29.334 N **Lon** 105.26.748 W **Underway** 10:15 **Arrive** 11:45

Eng Hrs: 2385.4 **Guests:**

Comments

Motored over to Yelapa. Quite a circus trying to anchor. Several guys in pangas were trying to first of all rent us their mooring balls for the night at \$25 a night (outrageous!), and then, when we didn't rent their moorings, they tried to tell us we couldn't anchor anywhere near where we wanted to. We finally told them to go away and leave us alone!!

We finally did get anchored in about 12 feet of water, very near the nice, sandy beach. Two other boats we know are here with us - Triple Stars (Rob & Jan) that came over from Las Animas with us today, and Acapella (Ed & Cornelia) whom we haven't seen for several months. Always so cool to come into an anchorage and meet up with "long lost friends"!

The six of us had dinner on shore. Very nice evening.!

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 5 knots **Max Wave Height:** 3 ft. **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 8
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 9:40 **Bar:** 29.90 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 70 °F **Wind** 0 **Waves** 2 ft **Lat** 20.30.467 N **Lon** 105.20.787 W

Weather: Clear skies with no wind.

Comments Just another beautiful day in paradise!!

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 3/17/2008 **Location** Yelapa, Banderas Bay, Mexico **Lat** 20.29.334 N **Lon** 105.26.748 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Tres Marietas, then on to Punta de Mita, Mexcio **Lat** 20.45.957 N **Lon** 105.31.069 W **Underway** 11:50 **Arrive** 17:10
Eng Hrs: 2388.0 **Guests:**

Comments

We had a very nice sail from Yelapa to the Tres Marietas. The wind was just off the nose, so we sailed heeled over on a close haul, but since the wind wasn't more than 10-12 knots, it was a very nice run. We stopped at Tres Marietas, dropped the dinghy in the water, and went exploring. The island called Marieta West is really cool - lots of arches and caves, and a lot of different sea birds, including the infamous Blue-Footed Boobie.

We raised anchor about 1600 and headed for Punta de Mita with following winds of about 15 - 17 knots. Boat speed was between 6 and 7 knots. Very nice sail over.

We anchored in 22 feet of water over rock and sand and had dinner in the cockpit while the sun went down. Overall, a great day on the water.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 17 **Max Wave Height:** 7 ft **Inland Day** **Near Coastal Day** **Dist for Day (nm):** 22
Times Anchored Today: 2 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 10:30 **Bar:** 29.95 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 74 °F **Wind** 5 SE **Waves** 2 ft **Lat** 20.29.334 N **Lon** 105.26.334 W

Weather: Clear skies with light SE land breeze, diminishing quickly.

Comments Forecast is for NW winds up to 25 knots by tonight, so we're heading for the north side of Banderas bay to find a protected anchorage. Yelapa is wide open to NW wind, so not a good place to stay tonight.

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 3/19/2008 **Location** Punta de Mita, Mexcio **Lat** 20.45.957 N **Lon** 105.31.069 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: La Cruz, Banderas Bay, Mexico **Lat** 20.44.778 N **Lon** 105.22.589 W **Underway** 10:25 **Arrive** 12:10
Eng Hrs: 2389.5 **Guests:**

Comments

Motored part of the way and sailed part of the way with the headsail only on this short trip over to La Cruz. The trip was uneventful, and we anchored in 20 feet of water close to the marina breakwater.

We're headed in to town this afternoon to get laundry done and connect to the internet.

Recap

Max Wind Speed: 11 NW **Max Wave Height:** 5 ft Inland Day Near Coastal Day **Dist for Day (nm):** 9
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No Fuel Purch? **# Gallons**

Time: 10:00 **Bar:** 29.90 **Trend:** Steady **Temp:** 74 °F **Wind** 5 SW **Waves** 3 ft **Lat** 20.45.950 N **Lon** 105.31.097 W

Weather: Clear skies with light winds.

Comments Looks like a motor trip over to La Cruz.

Time: **Bar:** **Trend:** **Temp:** **Wind** **Waves** **Lat** **Lon**

Weather:

Comments

Captain's Log

Date: 3/25/2008 **Location** Yelapa, Bandera Bay, Mexico **Lat** 20.29.334 N **Lon** 105.26.735 W **Vessel:** sans clés
Destination: Boca de Tomatlan, Banderas Bay, Mexico **Lat** 20.30.734 N **Lon** 105.18.997 W **Underway** 10:25 **Arrive** 12:00
Eng Hrs: 2393.3 **Guests:** Kevin & Cassie

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Yesterday we took a nice tour of Yelapa with the kids. Walked up to the waterfall. They both bought some gifts and trinkets at some of the little stands along the way. We had lunch at a restaurant overlooking the anchorage. They got a good tour of a typical Mexican village.

Today we motored over from Yelapa. Ran out to see the pirate ship along the way - an old-style "Pirates of the Caribbean" type ship that gives tours out of PV. They come out into the bay, shoot off their cannons, stop to let their passengers play in the water, etc. They were coming out as we were heading over to Tomatlan, so we decided to take a closer look.

Very challenging to anchor in Tomatlan. You have to drop the hook in 70-80 feet of water, and back down toward the beach into less than 10 feet before you're set. Took us 4 times to get the anchor set. And then you have to set the stern anchor, which is almost on the beach by the time you get it done.

Beautiful place, however - well worth the effort. The kids had a blast here. There's a fresh-water creek that empties into the bay at the head of the beach. Using the current, Cassie and Terri treated it like a water slide into the bay.

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Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No **Fuel Purch?** **# Gallons**

Time: 9:47 **Bar:** 30.00 **Trend:** Rising **Temp:** 74 °F **Wind** 5 NW **Waves** 2 ft **Lat** 20.29.334 N **Lon** 105.26.732 W

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Destination: La Cruz, Banderas Bay, Mexico **Lat** 20.44.727 N **Lon** 105.22.564 W **Underway** 15:15 **Arrive** 18:00
Eng Hrs: 2396.0 **Guests:** Kevin & Cassie

Comments

We tried to go up the little river, but found out that it very quickly shallowed up to rapids, and we could go no further. After that, everyone played in the water, both in the fresh-water stream and in the salt water of the bay. Kevin tired snorkeling for the first time, and saw an eel that caused him to take pause.

After a late lunch, we pulled up anchor and headed for La Cruz. After a short time of motoring, the wind started to come up, so up went the sails, and we had a great crossing on a beam reach, often reaching over 7.5 knots. About a mile out, the wind died, so we doused the sails and motored into the anchorage.

All in all, a great day on the water!

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Max Wind Speed: 20 knots **Max Wave Height:** 5 ft. Inland Day Near Coastal Day **Dist for Day (nm):** 15
Times Anchored Today: 1 **Anchored for Night?** Yes **Times Docked Today:** **Docked for Night?** No
Times Moored Today: **Moored for Night?** No Fuel Purch? **# Gallons**

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