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Ten Rules of Mexican Bus Travel Cheat Sheet

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Introduction

Here are ten commandments for bus traveling across Mexico to make the most out of your trip and have as hassle-free of a journey as possible.

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1.Thou Shall Use Busbud to Book Your Tickets

Buying bus tickets in Mexico can be a bit tricky. Booking in person with ground staff can quickly get complicated if you're not familiar with the Spanish language. For this reason, online reservations are your go-to solutions. Busbud makes it easy and convenient to plan your trip by simplifying bus booking and saving you both time and trouble. You have a worldwide bus station within reach, why not take advantage of it?

2. Thou Shall Choose the Right Bus Class

Choose the Right Bus Class for Your Needs

Contrarily to popular belief, buses in Mexico can be quite pleasant and even surpass initial expectations. To avoid unwanted surprises, find out which bus type is more suited for your needs. There are 3 classes of bus in Mexico depending on what you're looking for in terms of amenities and pricing.

3.Thou Shall Know Your Way Around Bus Stations

For bus stations in general, layouts are relatively standardized. Essential information such as list of destinations operated by the company, class of service, service times and bus schedules can be found behind the counter.

4. Thou Shall Keep An Eye on Personal Belongings

As it is the case with airports and train stations too, it is always good to stay alert and watch out for pickpockets and bag snatchers.
A way to prevent theft would be to keep your valuables secured and out of sight. Also, keep your nifty Sunday attire for another occasion. Instead, dress simply and casually to avoid drawing unwanted attention.

5. Thou Shall Arrive Early

If you arrive late and miss your bus, no refunds will be given. So, we suggest setting aside at least half an hour to allow for unforeseen circumstances.
Especially true if you're boarding an Executive class or First class bus that offers baggage checking. Most companies accept stowed bags 30 minutes before the scheduled departure time.

Bus



- Executive Class (De Lujo or Ejecutivo Clase)
- First Class (Primera Clase)
- Second Class (Segunda Clase)

6. Thou Shall Leave the Superfluous At Home

Speaking of luggage, bus companies have different baggage policies. Most often, they only allow you to bring one checked bag and one or two personal items onboard so pack light.

7. Thou Shall Be Mindful & Friendly With Driver

A smile and a thank you can go a long way – especially for someone who is driving during long hours so you don't have to. Besides, wouldn't you want someone who knows all the ins and outs of the country on your side?

8. Thou Shall Bring A Sweater to Keep Warm

A warm sweater or cozy blanket definitely ranks among top bus necessities. Despite the sweltering weather outside, buses can get chilly fast with their A/C in full-blown action.

9. Thou Shall Keep Gravol & Toilet Paper on Hand

Some of us don't agree too well with bumpy roads. Buses in Mexico travel quickly and the roads can be windy so bring something along to keep that motion sickness at bay. As for toilet paper, well… it's a classic case of better be safe than sorry.

10. Thou Shall Bring Along Your Own Food

Pack a few snacks and a water bottle with you. Not only for the time that you'll be spending on the bus but to munch on while resting at pit stops as well. Even if most bus stations have small coffee shops and locally-run convenience stores, the extra food might be useful if the offerings aren't quite appetizing. Plus, it'll save you some money.

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