

Arriving in Mexico City Airport and a Word on the Weather

The Airport Terminal

Those of you who have come through the *Benito Juárez International Airport* in the past will notice huge changes, since the terminal has been extensively remodelled throughout the past year. My best hope is that they'll be mostly finished by the time you come.

The migratory and customs areas have been widely expanded, and they shouldn't be so crowded by now. There are separate areas for flights coming from Central and South America, and for the rest of the World. When you get to customs you'll be asked to press a button, which will turn on a light. If it's green, you may go ahead, but if it's red your baggage will be inspected, regardless of whether you have something to declare or not..

Once you clear customs, you must walk to your right all the way to the end of the terminal, where you can take a taxi. There are only authorised airport cabs, and you must proceed to the ticket box, where you will be charged a fixed amount, depending on distance. If you go to the *Hotel Radisson* (you may further clarify "at *Perisur*," although I doubt this will be needed), the rates are as follows:

SITIO 300 Taxistas Agremiados para el Servicio de Transportación Terrestre Sitio 300 A.C.

FOLIO: **421761** H **SEDAN METROPOLITANO**

SERVICIO AUTORIZADO POR EL AEROPUERTO INTERNACIONAL DE LA CIUDAD DE MÉXICO
MEXICO CITY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORIZED GROUND TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

VALIDO POR 30 DÍAS / GOOD FOR 30 DAYS

REVISE SU EQUIPAJE
CHECK YOUR BAGGAGE
CONSERVE SU BOLETO, ESTE ES SU SEGURO DE VIAJERO
KEEP YOUR TICKET, IT IS YOUR TRIP INSURANCE

EL BOLETO DA DERECHO AL USUARIO A TRANSPORTAR EL EQUIPAJE QUE QUEPA EN LA CAJUELA DEL VEHICULO SEDAN; DE EXISTIR ALGUN EXCEDENTE DE EQUIPAJE Y HACER USO DE LA CANASTILLA, TENDRA UN COSTO ADICIONAL AUTORIZADO.

THIS TICKET ALLOWS THE TRAVELER TO TRANSPORT THE BAGGAGE INSIDE THE CAR TRUNK; IF THERE IS A BAGGAGE EXCEDENT AND THE LUGGAGE RACK IS USED, YOU MUST PAY AN AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL CHARGE.

MAXIMO 4 PASAJEROS, UN SOLO DESTINO SIN PARADAS INTERMEDIAS.
MAXIMUM 4 PASSENGERS, ONLY ONE DESTINATION, WITHOUT INTERMEDIATE STOPS.

QUEJAS Y SUGERENCIAS / SUGGESTIONS AND COMPLAINTS TELS: 5571-3600 EXTS. 2299 Y 2300 Y AL 5571-9344 CON 10 LINEAS

Transportación Terrestre

ANOTE EL NUMERO DEL VEHICULO QUE ABORDA.
PLEASE WRITE DOWN CAR NUMBER YOU ARE BOARDING

TALON PASAJERO / PASSENGER TICKET

Sedan (a car, usually a Tsuru or Sentra Nissan for 1 to 4 people, 3 at most advisable)	225 pesos
Camioneta (a van for up to 7 people)	340 pesos
Ejecutivo (an air-conditioned van for up to 7 people)	385 pesos

(US\$ 1. fluctuates between 10.50 and 11.00 pesos) The rate does not depend on the number of people. You'll get a ticket like the one shown above, part of which you may keep for any purpose you may need.

The Weather

Weather in Mexico City is usually mild. It never gets either too hot or too cold, however, early December tends to be *cool and pleasant*, which means you must be prepared for temperatures below 10° centigrade by the evening, although it is warmer during the day. The lack of wind makes low temperatures quite bearable, but it's advisable to wear sweaters or jackets. It usually doesn't rain in December, which is formally the dry season, but you can never be absolutely certain.