



YUCATÁN Cruise Newsletter



Refreshing summer

As the Summer flies by, the Port of Progreso continues to work on improvements in several areas. Among these, the three stages of tourist infrastructure of the Traditional Malecón are already finished.

Meanwhile, we continue working on training strategies, while also focusing on the expansion and dredging project of the port of Progreso, which was presented during our participation in the meeting with the FCCA Operations Committee last July.

The Jurassic Trail Park attraction will also be complemented by the opening of the Meteorite Museum located on the Progreso Traditional Malecon, where tourists can learn, in a fun and entertaining way, about what happened more than 66 million years ago, when the meteorite fell that extinguished all life on the planet and restarted everything we know now, interacting with representations of dinosaurs.

Enjoy the most relevant happenings in Yucatan and do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions or comments about this 18th edition of the Yucatan Cruise Newsletter.

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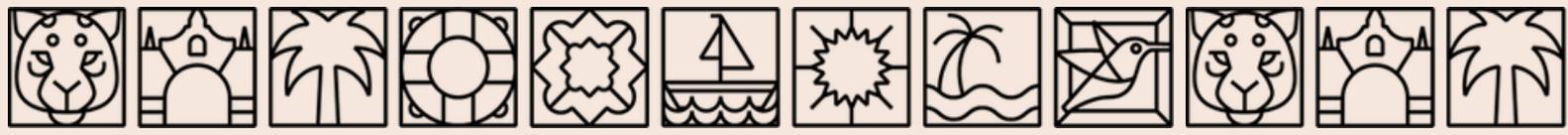
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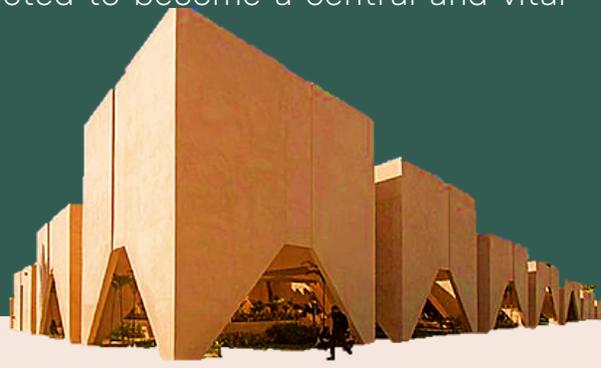


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The brand new and long awaited Meteorite Museum finally opened its doors to the public the first week of August. Located on the Boardwalk, and with access from both sides of the block, the museum has beautiful interior gardens and ponds as well as beautiful natural illumination.

Built with multiple modules of different sizes, the complex offers different spaces and services to the locals as well as the tourists. With garden spaces, communal spaces for recreational activities for the local community and a police office, the museum building is expected to become a central and vital part of Port of Progreso.

In this new area, you can also find public restrooms, shaded areas in front of the beach and even a cafeteria. This in addition to the Museum itself that fills half the modules with permanent and temporary exhibitions that include animated representations of dinosaurs.

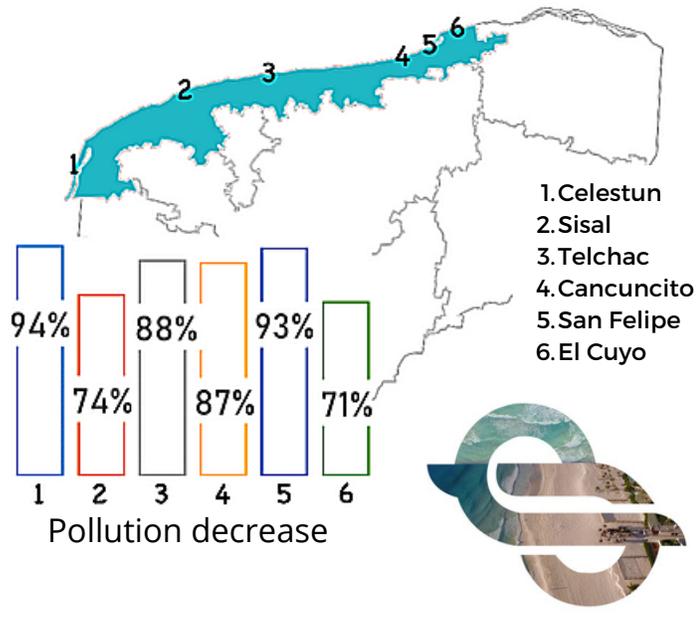


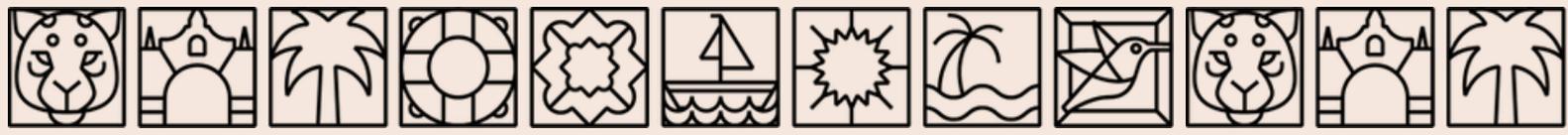
Platino Beaches in Yucatan

This year, 6 beach towns along the Yucatecan coastline received a nationwide acknowledgment for their efforts to reduce and eliminate all polluting residues from their beaches.

Now certified as Platino Beach, this dramatic reduction in all kinds of residues is a result of consistent effort by each of the communities that inhabit these areas.

Besides certifying these beaches as clean and sustainable, the IMNC (a private institution focused on the promotion of better environmental practices), emphasizes the commitment of Yucatan with preserving our natural beauty.





Port of Progreso Malecons

While the Port of Progreso can be enjoyed by strolling through its picturesque downtown streets, visiting its market, or eating in some of the restaurants, stopping to enjoy the characteristic beach atmosphere at the boardwalk is a must. The third stage of the betterment program for this tourist area has concluded with an inauguration event, hosted by local authorities on July 7.



Starting at the western end of the **Traditional Malecón**, the "Casa del Pastel" marks the beginning of a series of widely varied restaurants with diverse price ranges that can go from gourmet to family-oriented.

You can find photo stops on the beach, usually with the name of the port in big colorful letters that you can share online with your friends and family. There is also a popular swing, a people-sized photo frame, an open-air gym, and our inclusive beach, ending with a monument of the city founder Juan Miguel Castro.



The connecting pier between the two boardwalks, known as **El Deck**, is equipped with benches and picturesque illumination, as well as a Ferris wheel and a carrousel to delight children.

In June 2019, the local authorities opened a 1 km (0.6 miles) long extension of the touristic beach, doubling the total length of Port of Progreso's boardwalk and providing more communal areas. Named the **International Malecon**, it includes children's playing areas, photo stops with different figures and sculptures made of recycled material, as well as murals, a reading garden, bicycle parking, a hammocks area, and even food trucks. In this area, people can also find soccer and beach volleyball courts, exercise areas, and even a wedding gazebo facing the sea.



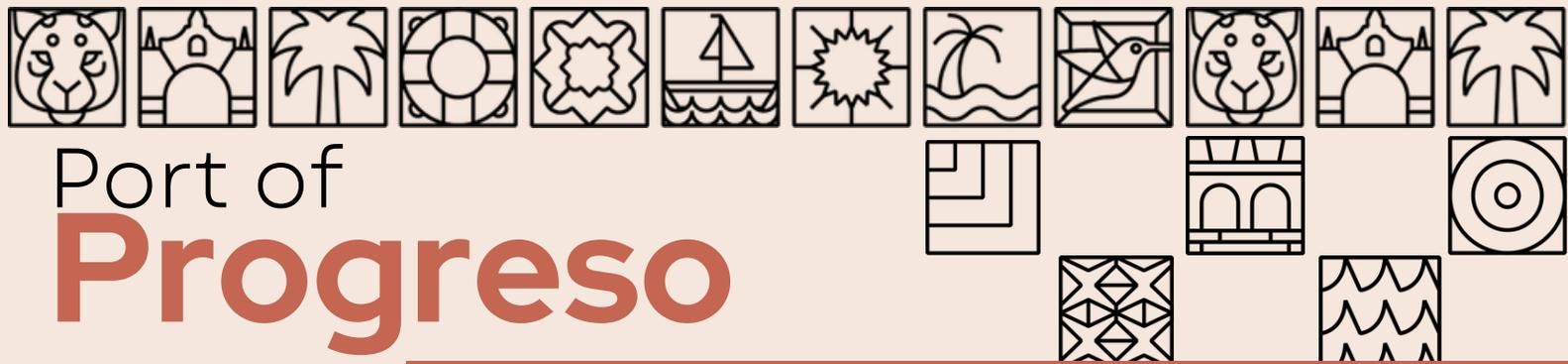
Both Malecon beaches have been certified with the Blue Flag since 2019, and the city authorities carry out sustainability actions to maintain this certification.

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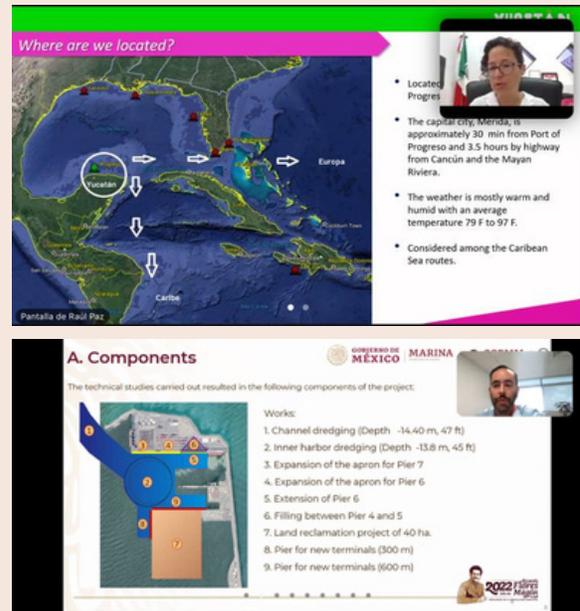
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Yucatan - FCCA Operations Committee Meeting

On July 28, we had the opportunity to participate in the FCCA operations committee meeting.

Michele Fridman, Secretary of Yucatan Tourism Board thanked Michelle Paige and Adam Cezarano from FCCA for the opportunity to participate in this virtual event, in which we can present the current panorama and future projects for the Port of Progreso that result in a better operation of the ships of more cruise lines to the Yucatan destination.

The Yucatan Tourism Board shared information about the movement of passengers on the port and new touristic products in the state. The Port Authorities of ASIPONA Progreso, presented the port expansion project with the dredge and the new areas to build in the port.



THE PORT IN NUMBERS

Arrivals and passengers at the Port of Progreso from January to July 2022 are:



The top 6 destinations in the state of Yucatan for the passengers from January to July 2022 are:

