



Comala is a mestizo town, where the fusion between western prehispanic cultures and the colonizers, determined the lifestyle of the inhabitants, which has been preserved and enriched throughout 5 centuries. Each region and each community has its own natural, cultural and historical characteristics, which has given the city national and international recognition. Therefore, Comala is currently considered as a tourist destination, whose added value is the diversity of activities and places that are worth to visit and enjoy.

The white of its facades, in contrast to the red of its tiled roofs; its tradition and family culture, the cheerfulness of its music; the great taste of its gastronomy, and the gentle smile of its people, are some of the factors that have contributed for Comala to be considered today, as part of the program Magical Towns of Mexico, whose aim is to preserve the identity and cultural patrimony as detonators for tourist development.

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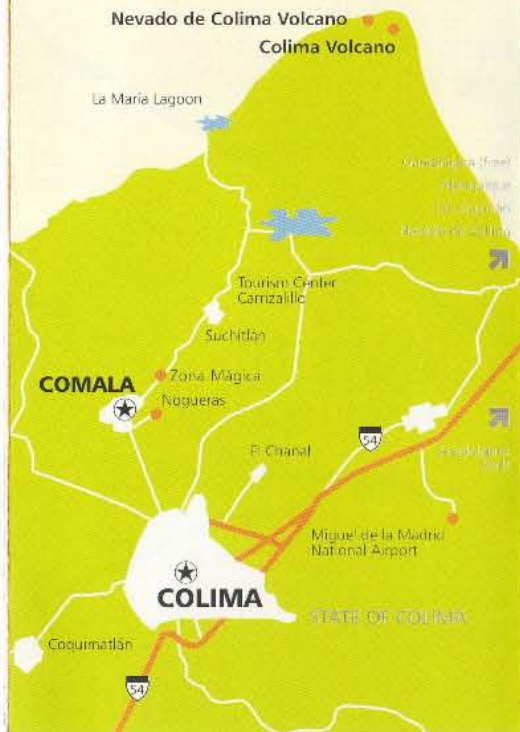
WELCOME

Localization

Only 15 min. away from the capital city of Colima, and north of it, we find Comala, which in nahuatl means "places of comales (indigenous pans)". It covers an extension of 254 km; to the north, the natural border are the impressive volcanoes of Colima, the Fuego and the Nevado; and to the east the Cerro Grande, a mountain that is also the limit of the Biosphere Reserve of Manantlán. This makes Comala a municipality with a wide environmental diversity that creates unique landscapes in the state.



STATE OF JALISCO



Pueblo Blanco Crafts Cooperative

Several years ago, a group of local craftsmen began to produce furniture made of fine wood, following the teachings of Rangel Hidalgo. This tradition has been kept until today, and you can delight yourself in watching dining tables, chairs, streetlight posts, tables, frames and lamps of great beauty. Finishing works include ironwork as they're decorated with Rangel-style paintings. They're sold in the stores located around the main square.

Highway Colima-Comala
 Mon-Fri from 8 am to 3:30 pm
 Sat from 9 am to 2 pm



Artisan

Culture

A stop at the Casa de la Cultura de Comala (Culture house of Comala) is an excellent option for art lovers. At the place there's a permanent exhibition of film director Alberto Isaac's work. He lived for many years in Comala.

Enjoy a quiet atmosphere of colorful and modern outdoor sculptures, wrapped by abundant trees and green areas at the Jardín escultórico Juan Soriano (Sculpture Garden Juan Soriano).



Juan Soriano Sculpture Garden

Gastronomy

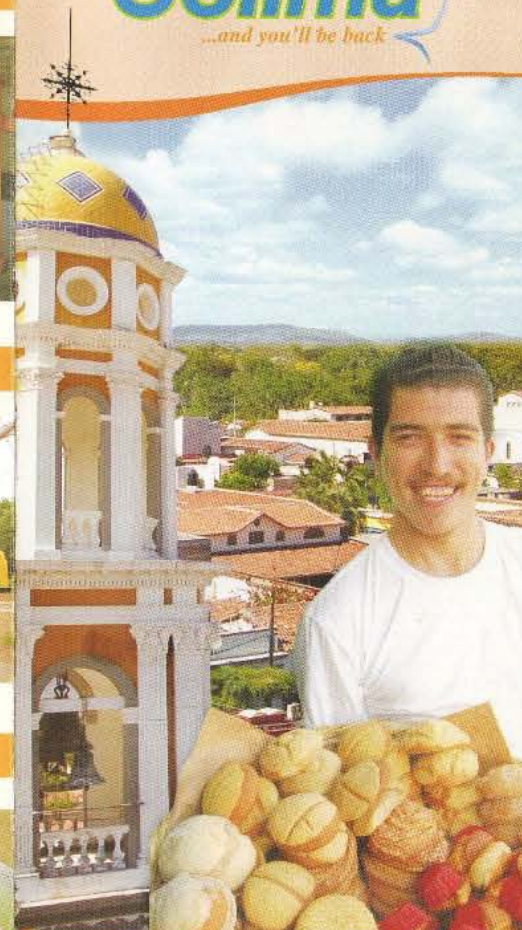
Comala is a splendid place to eat at. You must visit the Portales (Arches), where typical food and drinks show the town's true personality. Comala's sweet bread has become famous due to its exquisite taste; the specialty of the place are the picones or bonetes, encaladillas (cookies made of corn), empanadas filled with coconut.

The ponche is an alcoholic beverage made of different fruit and seeds. The most typical one is made of pomegranate, but there's also a ponche made of tamarind, peanuts, raisins and guava among other fruits of the region.



Coffee, bread and Ponche from Comala

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Colima
...and you'll be back



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Heritage

Comala is full of contrasts; along its territory, there are otomi descendants, such as the community of Zacoalpan, Nahuas in Suchitlán. In this municipality were located 2 of the most important haciendas (farms) of the state.

The town of Comala, since the 60's decade, was known as the White Town of America. In 1988 it was declared by the state of Colima as a Historical Monuments Zone, and in 2002 it became part of the federal program Magical Towns, headed by the Secretary of Federal and State Tourism.



Comala's Streets

Square and Arches

Downtown Colima, you'll see the evergreen main square and a beautiful kiosk brought from Germany, this one has Rangel-style ironwork decoration. Around this garden we find the Portales (Arches), famous restaurants where snacks and drinks of the region are enjoyed. Worth to be noticed are the Church of Saint Michael Archangel, which dates back to the 18th century, and in front of it we find the Municipal Palace, with its neoclassic-style tower and clock, it dates back to the beginnings of the last century and the construction work was directed by Miguel Contreras Guzmán.



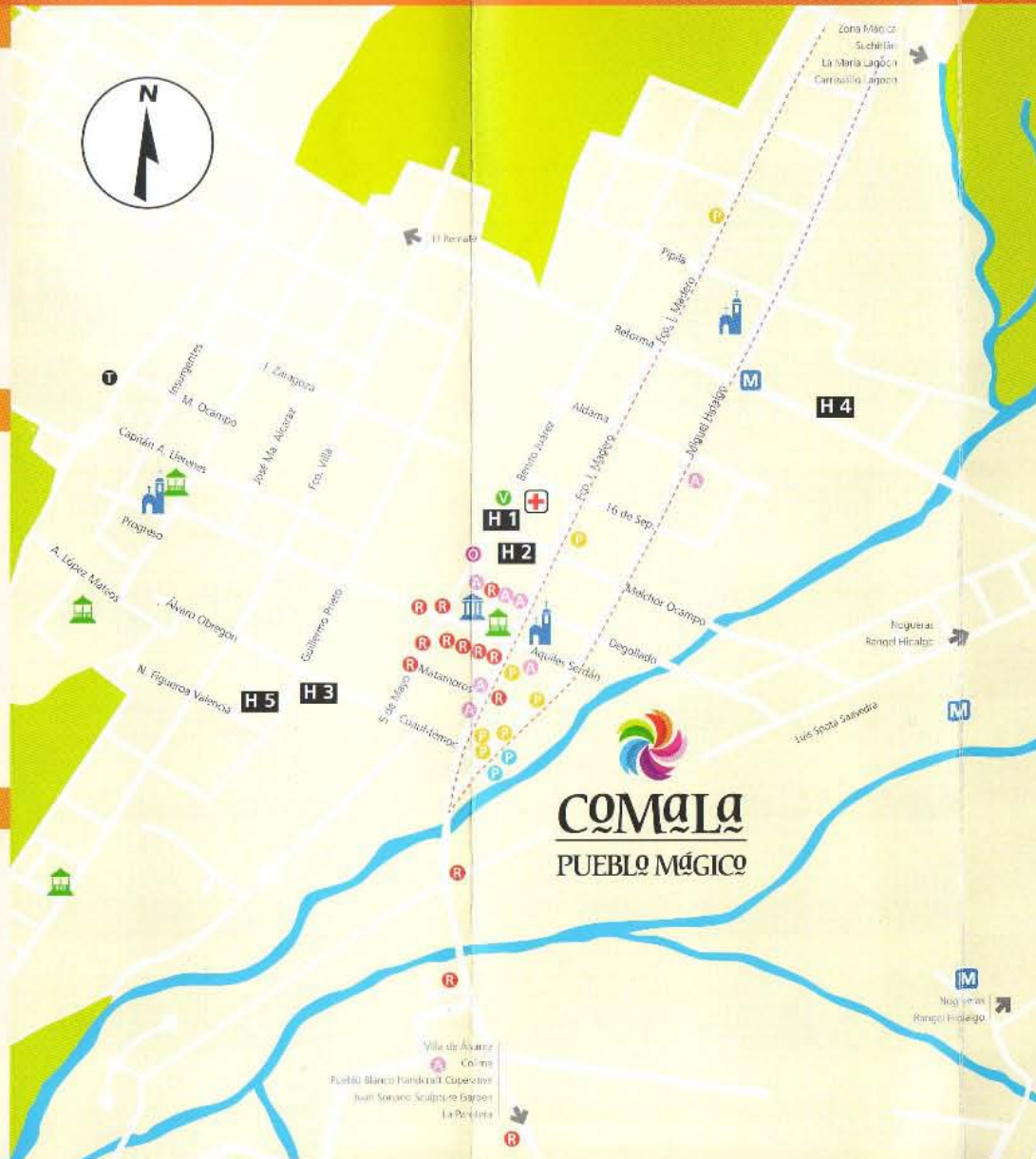
Los Portales

Nogueras Cultural Center

Main house of the ex-Hacienda of Nogueras, which was inhabited by the Colima-born artist Alejandro Rangel. In this structure you find the University Center of Environmental Development, the National Center of Training and Crafts Design, the Western Anthropological Studies Center, the Ludic Unit Margarita Septién, as well as a botanical garden. Degollado st. Tue-Fri from 10 am to 2 pm and from 4:30 pm to 7 pm. Sat and Sun from 10 am to 6 p.m. Tour duration: 15 min. 2 km away from Comala and 25 km away from Colima.



Nogueras Church



Symbols

- TOWN HALL
- SQUARE / GARDEN
- CHURCH
- MUSEUM
- MEDICAL AID
- RESTAURANT
- HANDCRAFTS
- PONCHE STORE
- BAKERY
- ALTERNATIVE TOURISM OPERATOR
- TRAVEL AGENCY
- CULTURE HOUSE
- BULLRING
- H 1 PUEBLO BLANCO HOSTEL
- H 2 EL NARANJO HOSTEL
- H 3 CASA ALVARADA HOSTEL
- H 4 COMALLI HOSTEL
- H 5 DEL TÍO JORGE HOSTEL