

# LEGENDARY ART & GREAT METROPOLISES OF THE MAYA

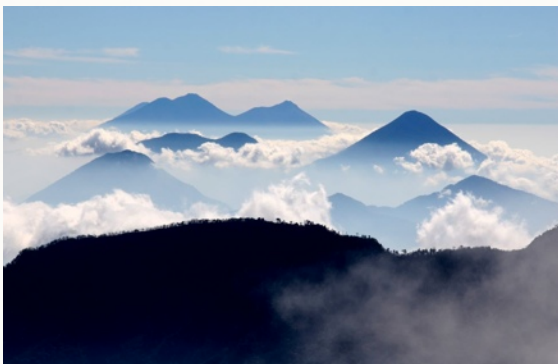
VISUALIZING BOOK OF MORMON LIFE WITH MARK WRIGHT

## Come Tour Guatemala With Us!

Embark on a grand adventure, exploring deep green jungles and ancient Maya ruins. Here rulers were considered gods and were worshiped at temples on top of pyramids. But this is only 1/2 the story. Cutting-edge research has now revealed an even earlier civilization (B.C. times). Come explore an area that was a cradle of ancient American high culture with great kings who controlled vast commerce networks and used their wealth to employ masterful architects and artisans to construct exquisite palaces, cement highways, and grand cities.



But what really makes this tour special is that alongside your crash course on the Maya, you will be immersed in Book of Mormon history, stories, and geography -- considering prime candidates for Book of Mormon lands and settings, with highlights in candidate locations for the Lands of Nephi and Bountiful.



This tour focuses on phenomenal Maya ruins (including Tikal, the top attraction in the Maya area) coupled with visiting traditional markets and villages of the living Maya. This particular tour is our *economy* version, with comfortable and trusted economically priced hotels.

GUATEMALA 10 DAY TOUR: DECEMBER 27, 2010 - JANUARY 5, 2011

Price: **\$1,999/person + Airfare** (discounted price with 20+ on tour)  
**\$2,399/person + Airfare** (price with 10+ on tour)

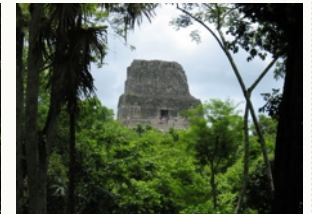


### MAYA RUINS PORTION:

- ➔ Feel like Indiana Jones as you explore Tikal, one of the greatest of all ruins. This massive city has at least 3000 buildings (50+ restored) dating from 300 B.C. to 900 A.D. Climb pyramids over 200 feet tall, with tops that tower over the jungle. Learn of the rise and fall of empires as Tikal rises to dominance.
- ➔ See Quirigua Ruins, home to the largest Maya ball court and the tallest stone monuments in the ancient Americas. , and the flamboyant king “Sky Burner” (K’ak Tilwi Chan Yoat) and his artistic masterpieces.
- ➔ Visit Yaxha, the third largest ruin in Guatemala. This mammoth metropolis lies hidden deep in the jungle and today is home to many animals such as howler and spider monkeys. Yaxha has many newly restored buildings and you will consider it a treasure as you see temples, palaces, and cement highways.
- ➔ View Maya masterpieces at Copan, where some of the greatest artworks of the ancient Americas were created. Learn of ancient kings, their religion, politics, and warfare, including First Quetzal Macaw (Yax Kuk Mo’), one of the great kings of the ancient Americas.



*Tikal; A City Shrouded in Jungle*



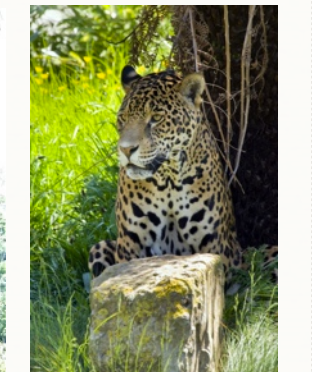
*Pyramids TALLER than the Forest Top*



*Copan Stone Sculpture; Magnificent Art!*



*Grandiose Maya King*



*Jaguar*

## For Questions and to Enroll . . .

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(\*Price is based on 2 people sharing a room. For more information on the Tour Director and details of this tour, visit the website tour page for this tour. A detailed day-by-day itinerary will be included in your welcome packet when you sign up for the tour.)



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Switch gears from the hot jungles and head up into the towering mountains of southern Guatemala where weather is cool--the "Land of Eternal Spring" with its ancient capital Kaminaljuyu (prime candidate for the City of Nephi). This area is stunningly scenic and is the breadbasket of Central America. Home to numerous traditional Maya communities, here you see markets, villages, clothing, and life-styles that harken back thousands of years. The breathtaking setting at Lake Atitlan, where our hotel has acres of flower gardens, and the communities of colorful living Maya are places you will never forget and to which you will surely return.

### LIVING MAYA IN MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES PORTION:

Explore the towering mountains of southern Guatemala, called the "Land of Eternal Spring". It is here, around Lake Atitlan, that the Quiche Maya believe the world was created. Explore Maya markets that provide a window to the past, and dine on traditional Maya cuisine in a private Maya home. Vistas of Lake Atitlan and surrounding areas are some of the most beautiful in Central America. The traditions practiced here are thousands of years old. Relax and recharge at Lake Atitlan, one of the most beautiful lakes on earth, where our hotel has acres of flower gardens and tremendous views. The Maya highlands, or mountain communities, provide an unforgettable "second half" to the perfect Maya tour.

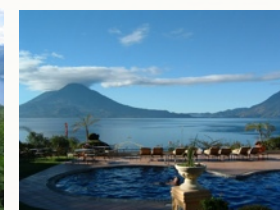
### ANTIGUA EXTRA NIGHT(S):

**From \$195 - \$300 + tax/room/night**  
(\*based on room category)

Antigua is considered by many the most beautiful town in Central America and our hotel, the Palacio Dona Leonor with it's exquisite rooms is the ideal home base (located 1/2 a block from the town square). Many want an extra "2nd honeymoon" night in Antigua at this fabulous hotel and/or an extra day in this interesting town.



*Lake Atitlan*



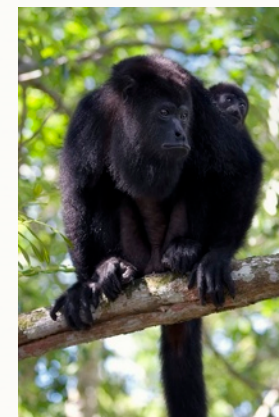
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*Colorful Maya*



*Maya Men at Santiago*



*Howler Monkey*



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