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WARP Annual Meeting Post-Trip: “The Art of the Ikat Rebozo”: Traditions and Techniques June 12-15 (3 Nights)



After the WARP Annual Meeting, we'll fly to Mexico City on Monday, June 12. From here, we'll drive 1.5 hours to Tenancingo to meet the master ikat dyers of Mexico. Arriving, we'll begin our visits to the homes and workshops of the master ikat rebozo dyers and weavers of Mexico. We'll learn, step-by-step, the process of warp faced ikat dye resist techniques in Mexico. We will also learn about and admire the beauty of the varied ikat designs in Tenancingo, such as "labor doble", "media Azteca" and others. Finally, we can purchase directly from the artisans or in the marketplace!

Day One, June 12: Fly from OAX to MEX (we will identify flight). We will be met at the Mexico City airport and transfer directly to Tenancingo, State of Mexico (about 1.5 hours) where we will begin our review and study of the Mexican ikat rebozo dyeing and weaving techniques. Today we will meet with three Master Rebojeros in their home workshops. While the technique is the same for each artisan, we will see how each of them has a different expression and signature style that identifies their pieces and work. (L)

Day Two, June 13: In the morning, we will visit 1-2 more rebozo weavers. Then we will travel to San Pablo Tejalpa Zumpahuacan to meet the rebozo knotted fringe makers, known as the “empuntadoras”. Here we will see their masterful work at creating intricate designs with words, flowers, animals, beads to complete the rebozo. Collectors always look for the “complement” between the rebozo (the paño or tela) and the “punta”, the fringe. A fine rebozo is typically characterized by these two elements working well together, thematically and stylistically. (B, L)

Day Three, June 14: Today we will visit the market vendors who sell rebozos in a “fixed” market setting. They are savvy vendors who have been dealing in the world of ikat rebozos and knotted fringe for many years. The best vendors have a fixed clientele and they know what they are looking for. They have relationships with the rebojeros and empuntadoras and bring the best of the two together. After our final shopping, we will board the van to return to Mexico City. In the evening we will enjoy a festive farewell dinner, where of course, we will wear our finest rebozos!

\$785, Double Occupancy*

*Trip Price Includes a \$25 donation to WARP, which will be matched (\$25 by Tia Stephanie Tours) for a donation of \$50 per traveler to WARP.

Includes:

Airport transfer from Mexico City to Tenancingo on June 12
Airport transfer to MEX airport on June 15
3 Nights Hotel
All Breakfasts
2 Lunches
1 Dinner
Comfortable, Licensed/Insured Transportation

Does not Include:

Domestic or International Air
Meals not identified
Alcoholic Beverages
Personal Items (phone calls, laundry, etc.)
Tip for Driver