

Jalpan de Serra State of Querétaro



GETTING THERE AND AWAY



From Mexico City, take the federal highway 57D north to the federal highway 120 and go east.

From Querétaro, take the federal highway 57D south to state highway 100 east and continue on federal highway 120 to Jalpan de Serra; tour approximated time: three and half hours.

INFORMATION

Code (441)	Hospital 296.00.90 / 296.01.50
City Hall 296.02.43 / 296.03.44	Taxi / Cab 296.09.13
Police 296.03.90	Highway Patrol 296.03.03
Bus Station 296.03.86	

ACCOMMODATION

- *** Hotel Misión Inn Jalpan
Calle Fray Junípero Serra s/n
(441) 296.01.64 / 296.02.55
- *** Hotel María del Carmen
Calle Independencia N° 8
(441) 296.03.28
- ★ Hotel Camino Viejo
Carretera Río Verde s/n
(441) 296.01.85
- ★ Hotel Posada Mesón de Caporales
Carretera Río Verde s/n
(441) 296.00.02
- ★ Hotel El Económico II
Domicilio conocido
Barrio La Escondida
(441) 296.04.38
- ★ Hotel Posada Karina
Carr. Jalpan-Río Verde Km. 1
(441) 296.13.92
- ★ Hotel El Aguaje del Moro
Guerrero esquina
Heroico Colegio Militar
(441) 296.02.45
- Hotel El Económico I
Heroico Colegio Militar Km. 179
(441) 296.04.38
- Posada Aurora
Calle Hidalgo s/n
(441) 296.00.94
- Cabañas San Juan de los Durán
San Juan de los Durán,
Jalpan de Serra
(442) 212.32.67

FOOD AND DRINK

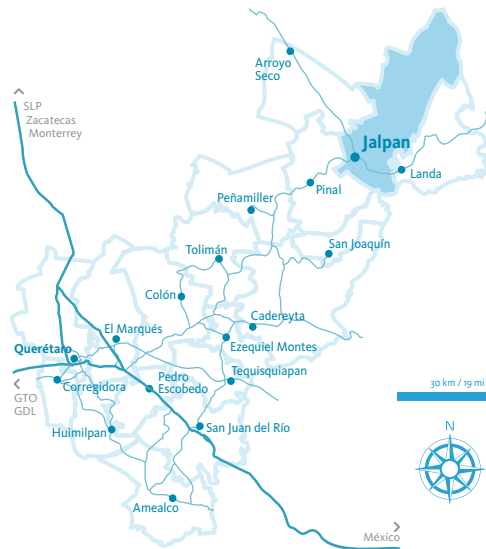
- El Campestre
(441) 296.03.48 / 296.03.28
- Las Brisas
(441) 296.02.71
- Carretas
(441) 296.03.68
- Rincón Serrano
(441) 296.01.64
- Mesón de Caporales
(441) 296.00.02
- El Aguaje del Moro
(441) 296.02.45
- El Mesón de la Sierra
(441) 296.00.16
- Video bar El Maguey
(441) 296.02.55
- Mariscos Mario's
(441) 100.66.95
- Karina
(441) 296.13.18
- La Finca Serrana
(441) 296.14.78
- La Curva Feliz
(441) 296.00.80



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turismo@queretaro.gob.mx
www.venaqueretaro.com

Municipality tourist information:
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Municipalities of the State of Querétaro



Distance from Jalpan to: México City, 382 km / 239 mi; to Bernal, 143 km / 112 mi; to Tequisquiapan, 160 km / 100 mi; to Santiago de Querétaro, 190 km / 119 mi; to San Juan del Río, 180 km / 112 mi.

Jalpan de Serra Tourism Office
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Jalpan de Serra, Querétaro. 76340, México

Querétaro State / Ministry of Tourism
Pasteur 4 North, Historic Center, Santiago de Querétaro. 76000, México



Jalpan de Serra

The Municipality of Jalpan de Serra is located in Northeast Querétaro, right is the heart of La Sierra Gorda. It is a 210 kilometers / 131 miles way from the capital city that allows the visitor to enjoy a remarkably contrasted variety of landscapes. It's territory offers excellent opportunities for eco tourism.

Among the great variety of attractions, it is important to highlight the Missions of Santiago de Jalpan and Tancoyol, declared World Heritage Sites on 2003 by Unesco. When Dominicans arrived, they intended without succeeding to evangelize the Indian inhabitants of the region, the Pames and the Jonaces. It was until the arrival of the Franciscans, who founded the Mission in Jalpan in 1744, that the evangelizing labour began. Friar Junípero Serra began constructing what is considered an outstanding achievement to renovate the Baroque style from the old Spain with the Mestizo aesthetics and culture. In 1904, Jalpan village was declared city.



SIGHTS

Misión de Santiago de Jalpan

It is the first Mission of the region and the most important of the Municipality and is located in Jalpan, in front of the main square. Built between 1751 and 1758, it is considered the most exquisite example of Mestizo Baroque style in Mexico. It shows the cultural syncretism of Spanish and Indian ideologies.



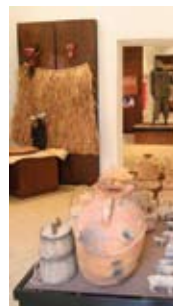
Misión de Nuestra Señora de la Luz de Tancoyol

Located in the town of San Antonio Tancoyol, 58 kms / 36 miles from Jalpan. It was built between 1761 and 1767 by Friar Juan Ramos de Lora. This mission's façade is one of the most elaborated of the region.



Museo Histórico de la Sierra Gorda

One of the oldest buildings in Jalpan. A fortress built in 1576 that served as jail for more than 50 years, houses this museum. It displays artistic, cultural and historical heritage of the Sierra Gorda.



ACTIVITIES

Presa de Jalpan

This dam is 1.5 kms / 1 mile from Jalpan. It is the perfect place for fishing. Outdoor lovers will find the opportunity for bicycling and hiking while observing the fauna of the place in its natural habitat.



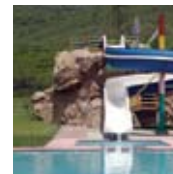
Parador Ecoturístico San Juan de los Durán

Small town that is 72 kms / 44 miles from Jalpan. It is a picturesque valley surrounded by mountains covered with pine forests. The visitors can find cabins with all facilities that offer a chance to enjoy a breathtaking contact with nature.



Mundo Acuático

This recreational park is located 1.5 kms / 1 mile from Jalpan. It offers pools, slides, a coffee shop and palapas to spend a wonderful time with the family.



ECONOMY AND GASTRONOMY

Typical food of this region includes cecina (dried beef), acamayaz (a type of crawfish), pulque bread, enchiladas serranas (made with dried beef), zacahuil (a type of tamale) and pacholes (corn candy).

Tourism, agriculture, cattle ranching and commerce, count among the different income sources of the region.

FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

Fiesta del Santo Niño de la Mezclita

Every January 5th and 6th, the date of the festival of the Child Saint, thousands of people make a pilgrimage to the village of Jalpan de Serra. It is the most important religious festivity in the Municipality.



Feria Regional Serrana

Artistic, cultural and sport activities take place in April to commemorate the anniversary of the foundation of Jalpan. It is relevant to highlight that this Fair holds the Annual Fishing Tournament.



La Fiesta de la Tierra

In June, the Sierra Gorda Ecology Group celebrates this festivity in which projects for protecting and conserving the Sierra Gorda Biosphere Reserve are presented. A diversity of activities takes place in order to teach, especially children, about the importance of enriching and taking care of the biodiversity.



Día de Santiago Apóstol

On July 25th, Jalpan celebrates Santiago the Apostle to whom this Mission was dedicated. "Las Mañanitas", pilgrimages, and artistic and cultural events are part of the celebration.

