

Group Package Kit 2024



Bring your group to magical Lake Atitlan!

Villa Sumaya Retreat Center is situated on the picturesque shores of Lake Atitlan in the heart of the Guatemalan highlands. Featured in Yoga Journal and Taschen's Great Yoga Retreats, we offer a uniquely inviting destination. Villa Sumaya is ideal for groups in search of rest, reflection, cultural immersion, adventure and natural beauty.

Our exotic thatch-roofed complexes encompass 22 comfortable, elegantly-decorated guest rooms with patios, as well as four stunning practice studios. Our lush grounds contain tropical flora, medicinal herbs and relaxing hammocks. Our center features a cafe, healing spa, hot tub, sauna, boutique, cozy common areas, and a lakeshore fire pit.

Villa Sumaya is a wonderful venue for yoga, music, dance, trainings and business meetings. Our group rates include accommodations, meals, beverage service, temple/studio spaces and taxes.





Group Studios

Blue Tiger Temple (1,150 sq ft) and Tara Temple (650 sq ft) are world-class group facilities with palm roofs, simple lines and a unique Asian motif.

Each space features panoramic lake views, hardwood floors, built-in altars, sound systems, attached bathrooms and a walk-in storage area with plenty of props including yoga mats, straps, bolsters, blankets and eye pillows. Our group spaces are dynamically inspiring: beyond the breathtaking view of the lake and majestic volcanoes, the cumulative energy of heart-centered yogic practice resonates in our sacred sanctuary.

Come join us for the retreat experience of a lifetime - practice supported by the view of three regal volcanoes!

 * When two groups are on site, each group will have their own studio for the week *



Enjoy our new open-air practice spaces:

- Diamond Dojo, a 650 sq ft lakefront wooden platform, provides a glorious space for dance and body movement practices.
- Designed to inspire levity and inner spaciousness, our 450 sq ft Sky Zendo platform boasts a panoramic view of Lake Atitlan and features 5 aerial yoga rigs.

* These additional spaces will be allocated for group use based on your contracted room block. *



Group Rates for 2024

Maya Rose House & Skyline Bungalows

(Rooms 2-7, 9, 10 & 20) Single \$185 Double \$135 per person

Lotus House & Lotus Suites

(Rooms 11-16, 8, 18) Single \$195 Double \$145 per person Triples \$130 per person

Ginger Suites

(Rooms 17, 19, 21, 22 & 23) Single \$210 Double \$160 per person

Valid January-December 2024

Included in our package rates: all taxes, three vegetarian meals per day, 24-hour tea/coffee & filtered water, all facilities and access to one indoor and one outdoor studio space.

Not included: transportation, tours/excursions, internet, ceremonies and tips to Villa Sumaya staff.

Group rates are applied for groups reservations of 6 to 22 rooms. In our high season (Oct to May), we book 7-night retreats from Saturday to Saturday. In our green season (June to Sept), the minimum stay is 5 nights.

Inquire about group leader discounts and benefits. Green season & extended stay discounts available.

Group rates are per night, per person. Please refer to the Terms & Conditions: Leading a Group Retreat page on our website for detailed policies.







Accommodations

We have 22 comfortable rooms, bungalows and suites with private bathrooms, outdoor spaces, stunning decor, comfortable beds and fantastic views of the lake. Villasumaya.com provides photos, descriptions and square footage details for each room.

Maya Rose House

These 6 charming rooms can accommodate single or double occupancy. Each room has a semi-private patio space with cozy seating. Conveniently located near the courtyard, dining room, gardens and boutique, these rooms are best for anyone with mobility issues. Maya Rose 2, 3: Two twin beds

Maya Rose 4-6: Two twins **or** one queen Maya Rose 7: One queen

Skyline Bungalows

Our 3 private bungalows feature queen beds, unique bathrooms, outdoor seating and magnificent views of the lake. Perched romantically on the hillside, these rooms require a climb up several sets of stairs.

Skyline Bungalows 9, 10, 20: One queen bed

Lotus House

This complex features six spacious rooms (two on each floor) and Tara Temple on the top floor. Each room has a private balcony with views of the lake or garden.

Lotus House 11, 12, 15: One king & one twin Lotus House 13, 14, 16: Three twin beds

Lotus Suites

These cozy junior suites offer luxury, style and private balconies with views of the lake.

Lotus Suites 8, 18: One queen bed

Ginger Suites

These are our most luxurious, deluxe accommodations with majestic lake view balconies and elegant antique furnishings. The suites require a climb upstairs.

Ginger Suite 17: One queen & one twin Ginger Suites 19, 22, 23: One king bed Ginger Suite 21: One queen bed & two twins



Tours & Activities

Lake Atitlan is an exotic destination and ideal venue for hiking, kayaking and swimming. If your group would like to explore, we offer a variety of options. Kayaks may be rented by the day or for a guided outing. Enjoy bird watching and casual hikes around the retreat center. Take a guided tour to the villages of Santa Cruz, San Juan, Santiago or Chichicastenango.

Ceremonies

We offer:

- Traditional Mayan Fire Ceremony
- Heart-opening Cacao Ceremony (talking circle or ecstatic dance)
- Purifying Sweat Lodge Ceremony
- High-vibration Sound Healing Ceremony
- Sacred Blue Lotus Ceremony

Please see our **Practice & Ceremony Kit** for details and pricing.

Harmony Spa

Our on-site spa offers an array of holistic services and a staff of dedicated and experienced professionals. Treatments encompass a wide range of healing modalities including: massage, energy work, acupuncture, wellness counseling, Ayurvedic treatments, Western and Mayan astrological readings and more. Treatments vary by season; please inquire about services available during your stay.

Relaxing

We encourage our guests to unplug and unwind in our nature sanctuary. Resting in a hammock, reading by the shore or meditating in our temple may be just what you need. We have a beautiful fair-trade boutique that carries handcrafted items from around the lake region.

Apothecary

We offer a variety of useful home-made herbal remedies for common ailments, personal care items and custom crafted elixirs. We draw our inspiration and knowledge from Chinese Medicine as well as from traditional Mayan and European herbal lore.





Group Leader Support

Our retreat coordinator will support you throughout the entire process, from choosing your retreat dates and room block to answering questions and providing you with welcome kits and online resources to help organize your retreat.

We will post your retreat description and contact information on the "Upcoming Retreats" calendar on our website. We will also promote your event on our social media (Instagram) and newsletter. We will gladly pass along any inquiries to you without referral fees. Ask for our press kit, which includes inspiring articles, videos and photos to help promote your retreat.

Deposits and Payments

Upon request, we will send you a contract (online agreement). An initial deposit of \$200/room is required to reserve your space. Six months prior to your retreat, 25% of your estimated bill is due. Two months prior to the retreat, another 25% payment and finalized occupancy is required. The remaining balance is due one week before your retreat begins. All deposits and payments are non-refundable. Upon check-out, any additional charges to your group bill can be paid on-site (i.e., final transportation costs, incidental purchases, etc.).

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Transportation

Transportation is not included in the group rates. We work closely with Kan Tours, a transportation company that arranges safe, reliable and direct shuttles and boats to our private dock. Reserve your transport by emailing booking@kan-tours.com (English or Spanish). Kan Tours services will be included on your bill at Villa Sumaya.

Gratuity

Tips are not included in our rates. We suggest a tip of \$7-10 per person, per day, which will be distributed amongst our staff of front desk receptionists, cooks, servers, housekeepers and gardeners. Tips can also be included in your agreement terms, if you would prefer.

Quick Facts

Getting Here

Guatemala is a short plane ride from southern U.S. airports. Aurora International Airport (GUA) is located in Guatemala City. From there, it is about a 3-hour drive to Panajachel and a 15-minute boat ride to our dock.

Weather

Here at Lake Atitlan, we have two primary seasons: dry season and our lush green season. The dry season is typically from November to April (our peak season), during which time we have almost no rainfall and temperatures between 60 and 85 degrees Fahrenheit. May, June, September and October usually have sunny mornings and late afternoon showers that may continue into the evening. This is our quieter time of year when the caldera basin is extra green and fresh. In the middle of the two green periods, we have a dry spell called the "Canicula" (Summer Break). This usually occurs in July and August and brings loads of sunshine with only rare, variable rain in the evenings.

Visas

US, Canadian and European Union citizens will receive a 90-day tourist visa upon entering the country. No preliminary arrangements are necessary. If you are visiting from another region, please check your country's visa requirements.

Communication

For internet on your personal device, we charge \$3/day or \$20/week for wifi. Please note: internet in Guatemala is not fast, and limited downloading is permitted. Phone service fees are based on country code. Check with your cell phone provider for foreign coverage.

Please refer to the FAQs on our website for more information.

