**Mexican Riviera**

**The Pacific coast of Mexico, sometimes called the “Mexican Riviera,” is a popular cruise destination, especially for residents of California. Among the colorful ports of call are:**

***Mazatlan***

This city lies opposite the tip of the Baja California peninsula. In Mazatlan, you can surf, fish or simply relax on its sun-drenched beaches.

***Puerto Vallarta***

A small fishing village 30 years ago, Puerto Vallarta today is a major resort. However, much of its original quaintness – its cobble-stoned streets and pastel-colored buildings – still remains.

***Acapulco***

This glamorous city attracts visitors from all over the globe. Like any world-famous resort, Acapulco provides luxury hotels, fine restaurants, the best shops and an exciting nightlife.

**Alaska Inside Passage**

Southeastern Alaska’s Inside Passage provides some of the most breathtaking scenery on the face of the earth. It is also one of the most popular destinations for summer cruises. The area includes a number of fascinating ports of call including:

***Ketchikan***

Located on the West coast of Revillagigedo Island, Ketchikan is known as Alaska’s “First City” since it is the first stop for most northbound cruises.

***Juneau***

This city, Alaska’s state capital, is on the Gastineau Channel. At the base of Mount Juneau and Mount Roberts, Juneau is both old and new, with turn-of-the-century frame houses next to highrise buildings.

***Sitka***

Located on the West coast of Baranof Island, Sitka was once the Russian capital of America, when Russia owned Alaska. Today much of the city’s Russian heritage still exists.

**Canadian Wilderness**

Northwestern Canada boasts spectacular combinations of ocean, forest, and mountains. Pristine waterfalls with spectacular drops combine with incredible wildlife, making this area appealing to those who like to fish, hunt, or just want to enjoy nature. At night, crystal-clear skies make for excellent stargazing. Among the amazing sites to see are:

***Vancouver***

Located between the Strait of Georgia and the Coast Mountains, Vancouver is the largest metropolitan area in western Canada and also the largest city in the Pacific Northwest. Vancouver is consistently rated one of the most livable cities in the world. The 2010 Olympics will be held in Vancouver.

***Victoria Island***

This photogenic and spectacular island is the westernmost region of Canada. The romantic waterfront is the vacation capital of Canada and the premier tourist spot of the Pacific Northwest, basking in the mildest climate of Canada. Victoria’s unique character is deeply rooted in its 150-year history, and its British heritage remains very much in evidence.

***Whistler***

Whistler, British Columbia, is a Canadian resort town located about two and a half hours driving time from Vancouver. Over two million people visit Whistler every year, primarily for its world-famous alpine skiing and mountain biking. Whistler has been voted among the top destinations in North America by major ski magazines.