

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE SAN MIGUEL DE ALLENDE AREA, MEXICO

LOCATION: The extremely pleasant town of San Miguel de Allende is located in the state of Guanajuato in central Mexico. San Miguel is perched on a hillside cut by the Arroyo del Valle del Maiz and looking out to the Guanajuato Mountains. Elevations are just over 6,000 feet above sea level. The scenery is beautiful and the town has retained much of its colonial character, with steep, winding, cobbled streets. The entire town has been proclaimed a National Monument. San Miguel has a large ex-pat community of *norteamericanos*.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	11:01	11:27	12:01	12:37	13:08	13:23	13:17	12:51	12:17	11:41	11:10	10:54
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	8:28	8:58	9:25	9:07	8:37	8:05	7:21	8:15	7:36	7:59	8:21	7:35
AREA OF BLUE SKY	67%	71%	69%	65%	58%	44%	42%	44%	43%	58%	64%	61%
LOW FOR MONTH	37°	41°	46°	48°	55°	56°	55°	54°	55°	50°	43°	40°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	44°	48°	52°	54°	59°	59°	57°	57°	58°	54°	48°	47°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	71°	74°	77°	83°	84°	80°	77°	78°	76°	76°	74°	70°
HIGH FOR MONTH	77°	79°	82°	86°	87°	86°	81°	82°	80°	80°	78°	75°
FROSTY MORNINGS	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	1%	4%	13%	7%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	32%	29%	27%	26%	30%	40%	46%	44%	46%	40%	37%	38%
DRY DAYS	92%	93%	93%	87%	79%	63%	58%	61%	66%	81%	90%	91%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	97%	98%	98%	94%	90%	75%	74%	76%	78%	88%	95%	97%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.07	0.04	0.05	0.11	0.19	0.81	0.73	0.66	0.72	0.45	0.09	0.08
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	1%	1%	3%	8%	10%	15%	18%	16%	12%	5%	2%	1%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	16%	14%	9%	12%	13%	16%	18%	19%	19%	18%	16%	17%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 69% of the daylight hours of the year. This might range from a low of 55% in rainy July, to a high of 78% in dry February and March. The lowest temperature of the year should be close to 35° on some calm and clear January sunrise, and the highest should be near 91° on some sunny and windless May afternoon. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you feel) will be up to 3° cooler than actual ones, due to the relatively low afternoon humidity. The area has an upland variation of the three-season tropical year. The cool dry season runs from late October through March, and brings the area its best weather. The hot season includes April and May, and brings the area its most oppressive weather—somewhat modified by the elevation. The warm rainy season runs from June through September. The cloud cover and the rain keeps most days from getting too hot. The hottest days will be the clear sunny ones. During the cool season, below-freezing temperatures and snow flurries are not unknown, but are quite rare.