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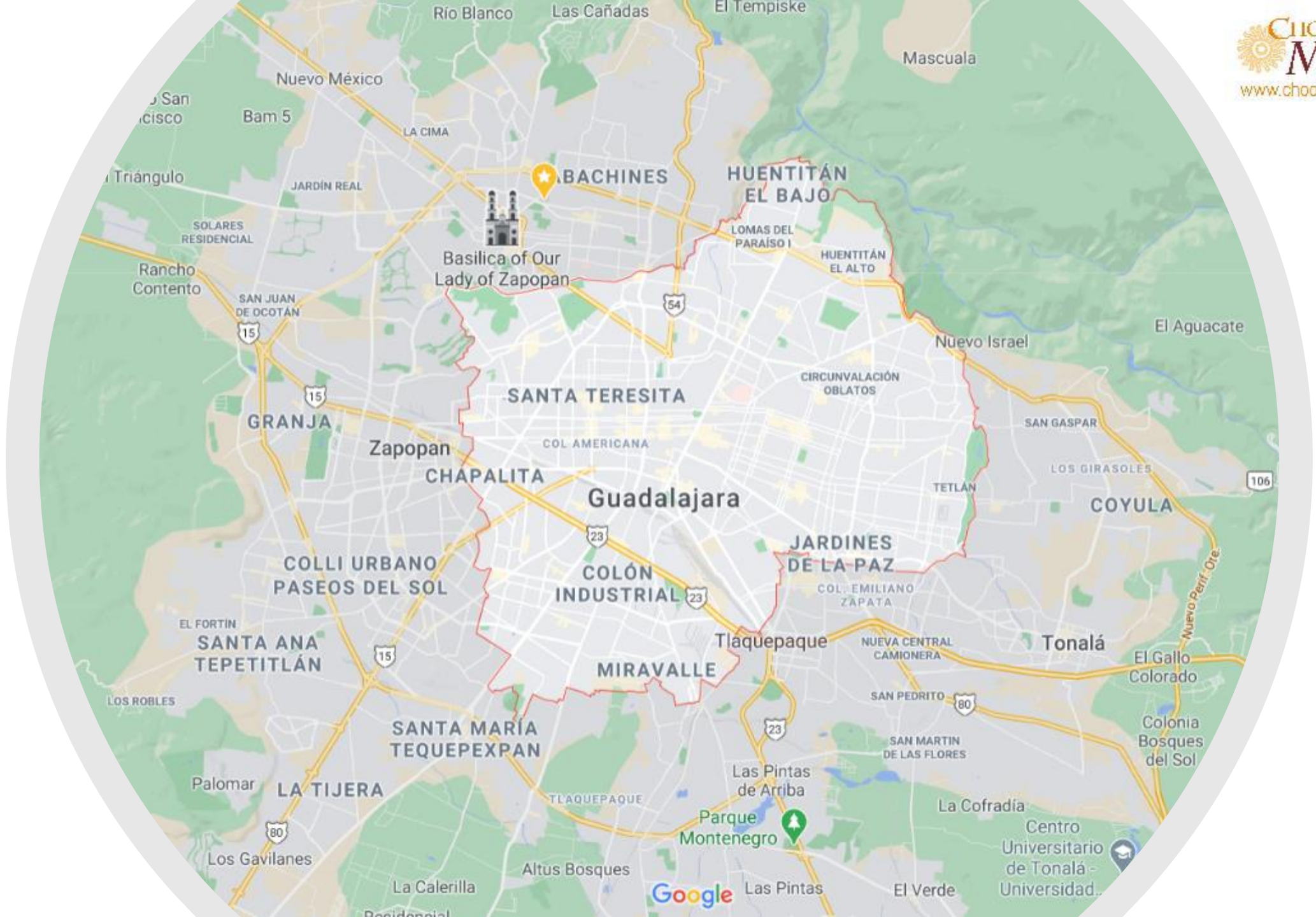






Key Features, Guadalajara

- Mexico's second largest city (6 million)
- Iconic Mexican cultural traits
- Politically conservative, but evolving
- Provincial yet sophisticated
- Green areas, stable spring-like climate; golf!
- Mexico's medical epicenter for university learning
- Strong US commercial ties
- Yes, traffic, air pollution, decay







Key Features, Lake Chapala

- Birthplace of retirement abroad movement for US/Canadians (1940's)
- World's best year 'round weather
- Mexico's largest freshwater lake
- String of small towns between lakeshore and surrounding mountains
- Northern shore (Chapala, Ajijic, San Juan Cosala)
- Unmatched Expat support structure
- Diverse lifestyle choices
- Connectivity, Culture, Care





Expats Today in Mexico

About my Rankings

- Resorts, Urban, Village?
- Ones and Fives
- What about Cost?
- What about Crime?



CM Ratings, What's a 5?

Climate 	5 You can live here very comfortably year 'round; limited need for heating or air conditioning.
	1 You face several months of extreme heat and humidity; or high altitude makes winter evenings cold.
Connectivity 	5 Wow, you can go just about anywhere, domestic and US international (Canada or Europe a plus).
	1 My closest international airport in a 90 minute trek; roads are in poor condition, almost no public transport
Culture 	5 This place oozes 'Mexico' and regional cultures; an annual calendar of events, including world-class venues and artists making regular stops.
	1 Either this place is too overrun by gringos, or it's so isolated there are only scattered local events, and almost nothing in English,
Community 	5 You feel your week is filled with social exchange with fellow MEXpats; diverse calendar of clubs, volunteer opportunities, English theater
	1 You feel isolated by language difficulties and lack of local English media
Care 	5 You can get a lung transplant; and brag to your friends how well you were treated
	1 Better have air-evac insurance
Costco! 	5 I can really go to Costco and an array of ways to get 'stuff' I liked back home
	1 Bring your own peanut butter

JALISCO
STATE



VILLAGE

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URBAN



YOUNGER RETIREES

More things to see/do

Travel more

Recreate more

I WANT A TOWN/VILLAGE

Avoiding traffic/congestion

Under 40k total residents

Not too 'touristy'

I WANT A BIGGER CITY

Need access to commerce/arts

Pace-tempo-dynamism

GOTTA HAVE THE BEACH

Coastal Living

Water, Nature, Recreation

I NEED CARE/LACK MOBILITY

Walker-friendly

Access to specialist medicine

Healthy environment

Assisted living/memory care options

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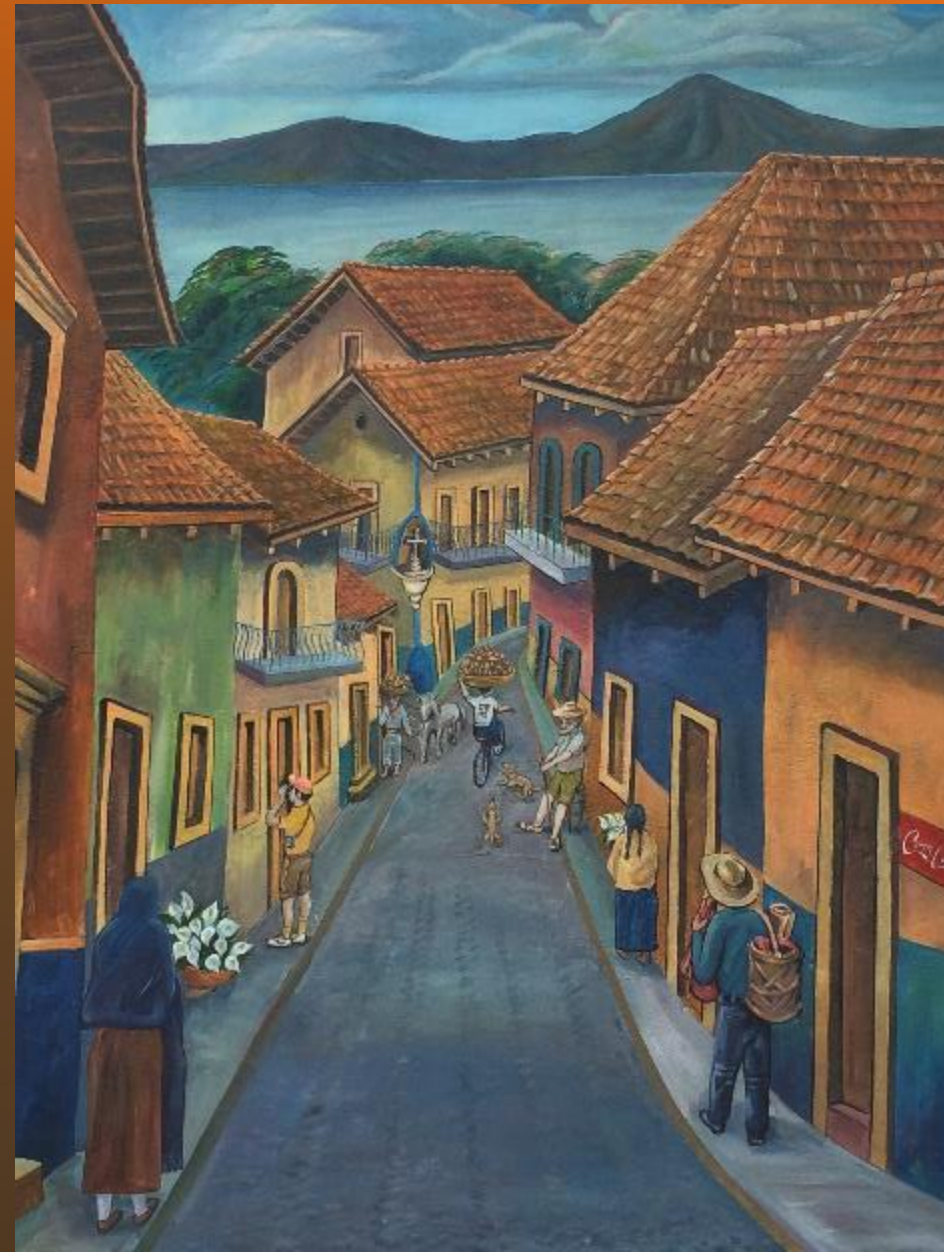
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