

Driving Directions from San Diego

Take the 5 or 805 freeway south to the U.S. - Mexico border (San Ysidro crossing). Both freeways end at the border so take your pick. After crossing the border, stay in the second lane from the right. Take the exit marked Playas de Tijuana Rosarito. This will take you to the road that runs along the international border (Avenida Internacional). You'll see the border fence to your right as you travel west. You'll stay on this road as you climb the first hill. Stay right and keep going straight.

As you drop down into the canyon (known as "Smugglers Canyon"), you'll want to take the right turn-off to the road going west (Marked Ensenada Quota which means Ensenada Toll Road). As you merge, get over into the left lane and stay there. Up another hill and then you'll drop down to Playas de Tijuana, the beach community of Tijuana. Since we are going to the Rosarito Beach Hotel we'll stay left and follow the road as it curves left.

Just ahead is the toll booth. A toll fee of approximately \$2.35 US dollars will take you all the way to Rosarito Beach. The 17 mile scenic trip will take about twenty minutes. It is a beautiful trip. Some of northern Baja California's most spectacular scenery is along this route that glides along the coast with its unblemished views of the Pacific Ocean. You'll pass a number of real estate developments as well, a testimony to Baja California as a highly desirable location for a vacation or retirement home.

At Rosarito Beach, there are four exits off the toll road. The first exit will take your right

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into town. You'll drive along Benito Juárez Boulevard (the main street) for about two miles to the Rosarito Beach Hotel, instantly recognizable by the white arches at the hotels entrance. If you would prefer to avoid city traffic, stay on the toll road and take the fourth and last exit which has an arch identifying the town. This exit takes you directly to the Rosarito Beach Hotel (two short blocks to the right).