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Where to Play Pickleball in Mexico

Pickleball fever has arrived in Mexico. And it continues to spread, as more hotels install courts and offer classes and events designed to attract players from around the world.

The surging popularity of pickleball in Mexico is underscored by the launch of the Pickleball Federation of the Americas in April, the result of a partnership of the national governing bodies for the sport in the U.S., Mexico and Canada.

Pickleball fans looking for expert guidance with their game may want to consider a visit to the town of Tecate in Baja California, where Rancho La Puerta has six lighted courts and hosts Pickleball Specialty Weeks throughout the year, during which professional players lead classes. Roundtrip Saturday transportation between the hotel and the San Diego Airport is included in a Pickleball Specialty Week stay, as are a choice of 40 daily fitness classes, guided meditation, guided sunrise mountain hikes and three meals per day.