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Malaria

This change applies to the Geographic Disease Risk Index (GDRI)

Please amend the Malaria entry for Mexico, including the country the map, as follows:

Mexico

Please delete:

Malaria:  Yes
There is an all year risk in some rural areas not normally visited by tourists, from the central area around Chihuahua, south of the US border, south to the coast between Culiacan and Mazatlan and stretching to, but not including Zacatecas.

Malaria is present along the coastal strip of the Mayan Rivera.

There is no malaria in the major tourist resorts of Cancun and Playa del Carmen.

Malaria Risk Category:  B

And replace with:

Malaria:  Yes
Malaria risk is present intermittently in some rural areas not normally visited by tourists. These include some areas in the states of Chiapas, Chihuahua, Durango, Nayarit, Quintana Roo and Sinaloa.

There is no risk of malaria in popular tourist destinations including Acapulco, Mexico City, Cancun, Cozumel and the Mayan Riviera.

Malaria Risk Category:  C

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