



My Mexico

Today's Topics

- *Barrancas del Cobre* (Copper Canyon)
- Guadalajara
- A few of my favorite *Pueblos Mágicos*
- Ajijic (my home)



Barrancas del Cobre

A vast network spanning 25,000 square miles

Depths in some areas exceeding 6,100 feet (1,850 meters)

Pine-forested mountains

Access via *El Chepe* train (Ferrocarril Chihuahua al Pacífico)

Home to the Rarámuri (Tarahumara) people, known for their long-distance running





El Chepe from Los Mochis to Divisadero

<https://chepe.mx/en/>

On *El Chepe*



On *El Chepe*











Arriving at Divisadero



Hotel Mirador

<https://hotelmirador.mx/>



View from the balcony of my room



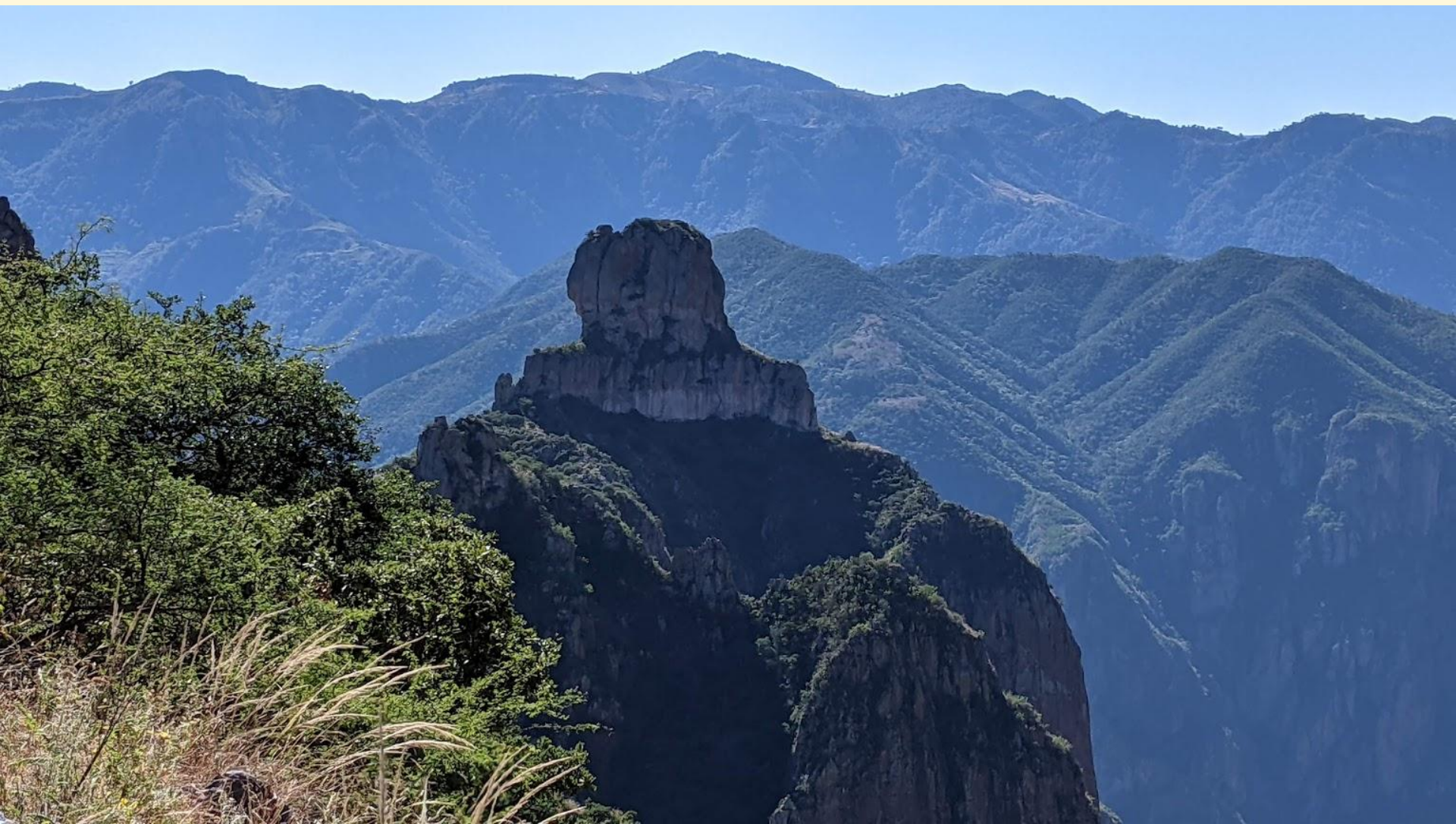
View from the balcony of my room at dawn



Zipline at Copper Canyon Adventure Park



Eagle's Nest





Catalina, a Tarahumara woman



Catalina's home



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Valle de los Monjes (Valley of the Monks)



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Valle de los Hongos (Valley of the Mushrooms)



Martin, our Tarahumara
guide, in traditional dress



Tarahumara dwelling





Making
baskets
from
Apache
pine
needles





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Start to finish:
25 minutes



Basket made from leaves of
the sotol plant
(Dasylirion or Desert Spoon)



Tarahumara woman and children



Guadalajara

Capital and largest city in the state of Jalisco

Founded in 1542

Third-largest metropolitan area in Mexico

Known as the “Silicon Valley” of Mexico

Mariachi and tequila are strongly associated with the city

One of three Mexican cities that will host the World Cup in 2026

Residents are known as *Tapatíos*



Arcos Vallarta

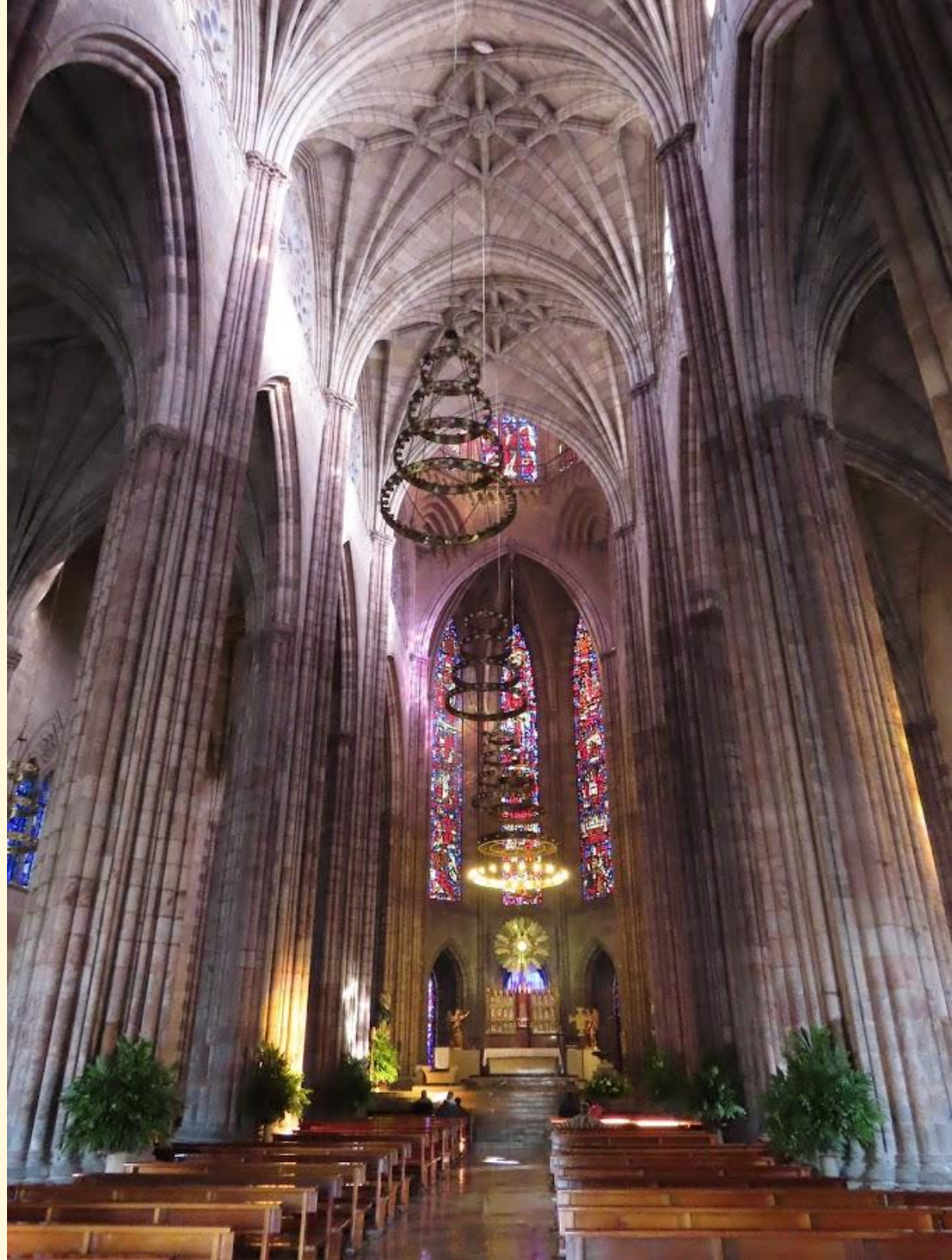


Templo Expiatorio del Santísimo Sacramento

Constructed 1897-1972



Templo Expiatorio



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1665



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Catedral de la Asunción de María Santísima

1618



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Palacio de Gobierno de Jalisco

1750-1790



Palacio de
Gobierno de
Jalisco

Father Hidalgo
(1947)
Jose Clemente
Orozco



Fuente de los Niños Traviesos (Fountain of the Naughty Children)



Instituto Cultural Cabañas



El Hombre de Fuego (The Man of Fire)



My Favorite *Pueblos Mágicos*

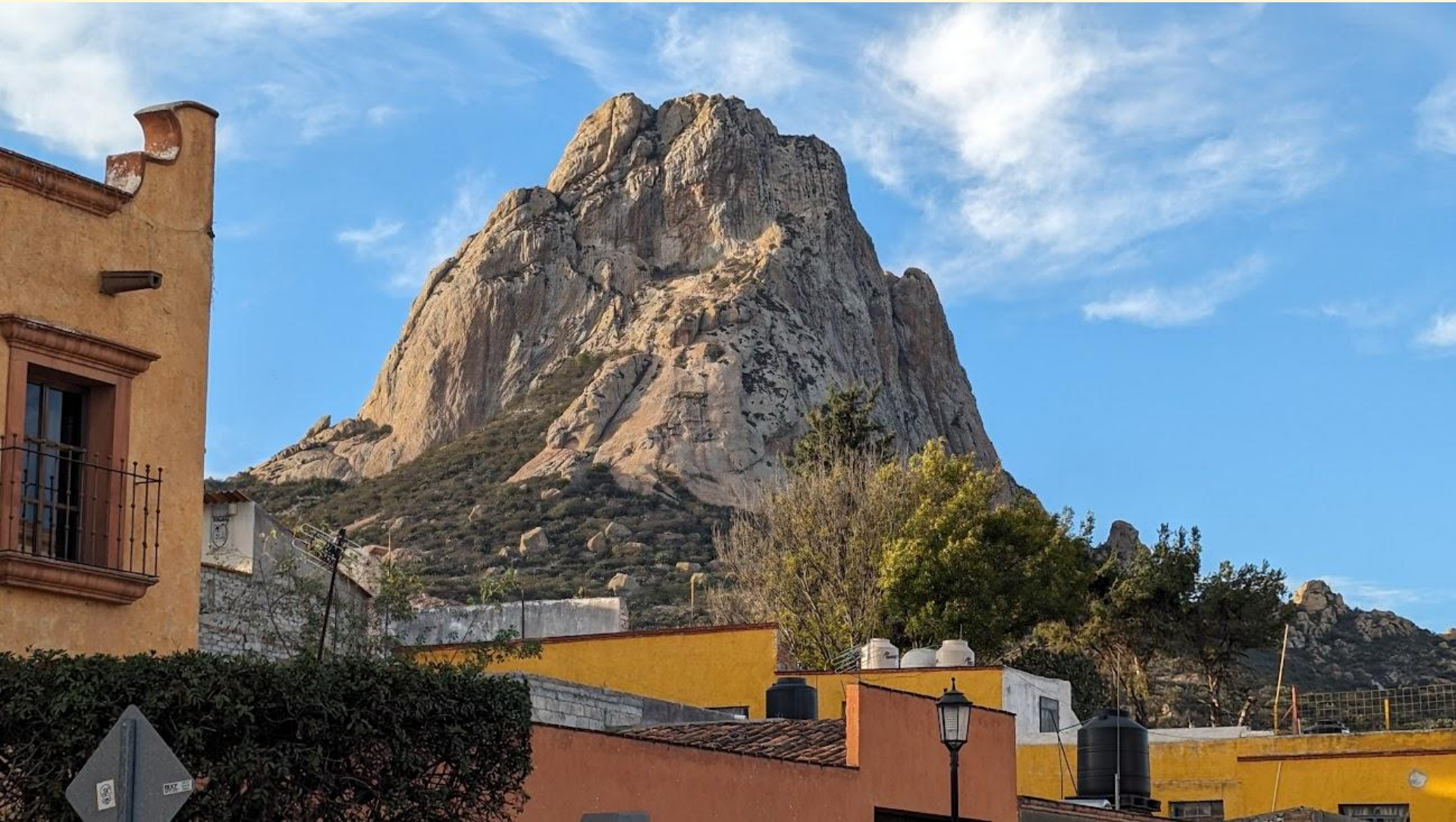
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Bernal, Querétaro

Peña de Bernal (tallest freestanding monolith in the world – 433 meters)



Real de Catorce, San Luis Potosí



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San Sebastián del Oeste, Jalisco



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Regatta de Globos



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