



## TRAVEL TIPS

### Tequila: Mexico's Magic Elixir For Mixers

(NAPSA)—Every country has its national drink—the Scots invented Scotch whiskey, the French and Italians favor wine and the Russians love their *wodka*. Mexico? Tequila wins hands down, notes Pleasant Holidays, a major supplier of travel packages to Mexico.



**South of the border, down Mexico way, is tequila country.**

Tequila's origins began with the Indians around Jalisco, who fermented sap from the local maguey plant. The Conquistadors liked the taste of "tequila" (named from the town where the best stuff was made) and began exporting it back to Spain. Americans took to it guardedly when more familiar spirits became hard to get during World War II, but tequila's real popularity came about from the influx of American tourists and baby-boom visitors to Mexico in the 1980s.

Today, aficionados and responsible drinkers alike savor the different varieties of *anejo* (aged) tequila, which are prized like the finest single-malt scotch. As for that infamous worm at the bottom of the bottle, that's found only in mescal...never in tequila.

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