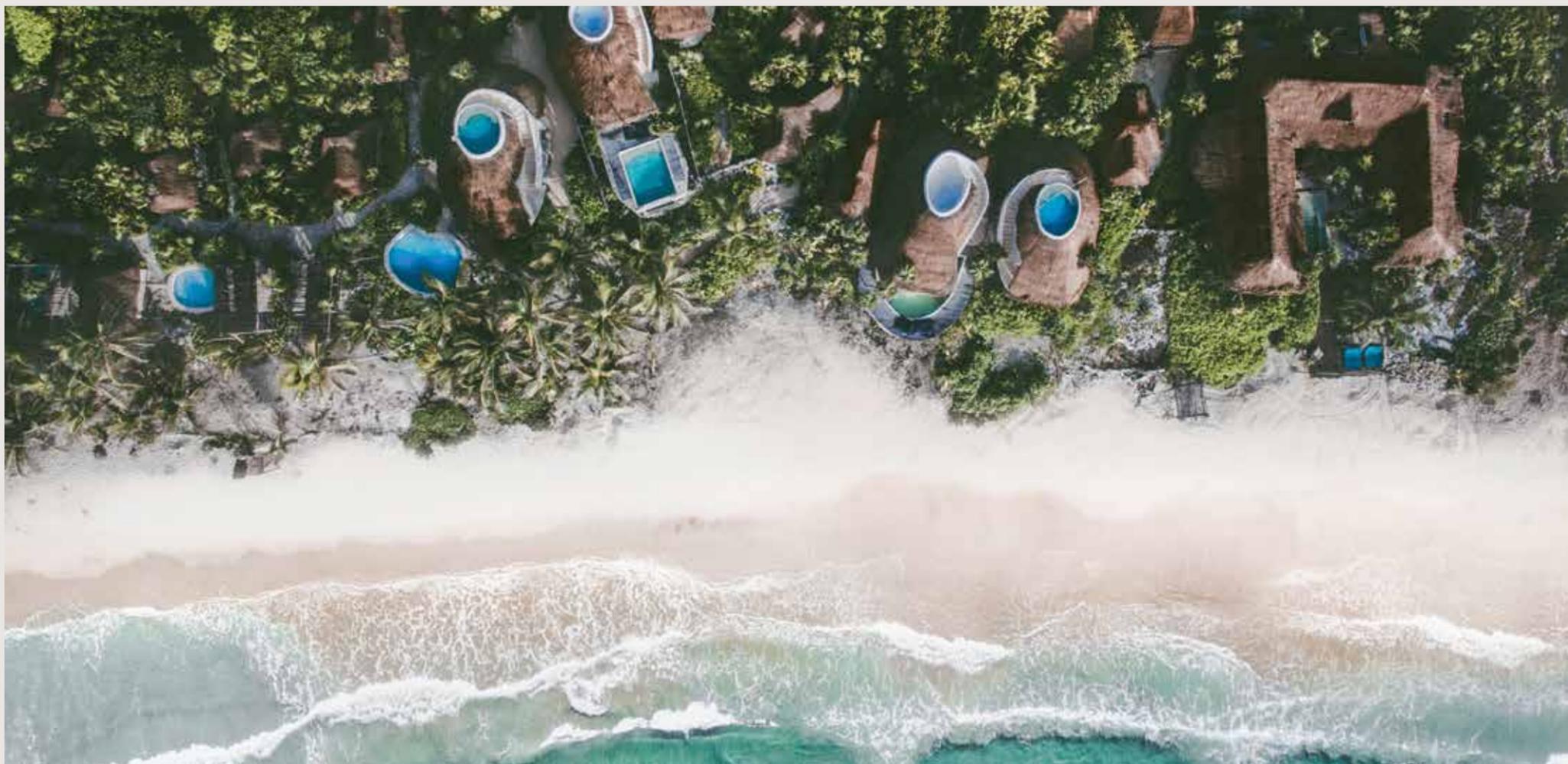


THE DAILY BAREFOOT



THIS MOMENT IS YOUR LIFE

As we become conscious of our senses, of our manifestation of life, and of nature we discover a sense of purpose that guides thoughts, words, and actions. Awareness provides a clear direction towards joy and peace. As we realize our existence, we discover we are free to decide our world view, we understand all of life's gifts and that we belong to a loving global community, nourished by Mother Earth. It is then that we can tap into an endless source of bliss and awe, we celebrate the present moment for it is the only moment in all of eternity. Harmony and love follow. Celebration is natural: therefore, awareness, consciousness and bliss are the core of Papaya Playa Project.

REAL LOVE STORIES

” NEVER HAVE ENDINGS

— RICHARD BACH

STAR COLLECTOR - OUR NEWEST ART INSTALLATION

Legend says a fisherman went out to sea at night. He wondered about a light shining far away. As he got nearer, he could see a strange source of light beneath the water. With his net, he pulled the artifact into his boat. The light went straight to the sky and to a star. Wherever the fisherman placed the artifact, it always found a star to shine its light to.

So the fisherman built a tower to bring the artifact closer to the sky. The tower grew branches, and these branches grew roots that bonded beneath the ground with the roots of the trees in the jungle. As the tower became a living organism, the artifact shone many rays into the night sky. Light particles danced around the man, around the trees and all living beings. The fisherman looked in wonder. He became aware this light was communicating with the stars, with the plants and trees, and he knew he was also a part of this dance.

He knew the Star Collector had chosen this special place in all of Earth to shine and allow mankind to understand a simple truth: everything and everyone is created the same. We are all made from stardust.



Star Collector: an art installation in collaboration with Cocolab - More info & visits at reception.

OUR STORY

In December 2011, Papaya Playa and Design Hotels™ ventured to conceive a pop up destination in paradise along the Mexican Caribbean coast on what we call now Papaya Playa Project. Together with Emilio Heredia, they created a space for like-minded, creative individuals to unwind and connect with self and nature. Since this pop up project, Papaya Playa Project has continued to be a member of Design Hotels and on its quest to discover a new form of hospitality, merging local culture and sustainability.

Most importantly the Project is a cornerstone in the manifestation of our vision of a sustainable and responsible Tulum that can be an example of hospitality development around the world.



OUR VISION

Dotted along the beach and nestled in the jungle, the simplicity of the rooms is what lends them their special charm. The resort's restaurant overlooks the azure waters, where diners can enjoy locally sourced specialties; along the beach, drinks and snacks are served from late morning until late evening at the resort's beach club. In addition to massages and beauty treatments, guests can also enjoy yoga, tai chi and meditation to complete the holistic circle.

Being linked to the best DJs in the world, Papaya Playa makes music a key component of the experience. All communal areas encourage creative collaboration – there's an amphitheater on the beach, where guests can come together to perform, present or communicate in their chosen fashion with music, readings, inspiring lectures and more. Papaya Playa Project is a destination for those looking to merge nature, relaxation, and spirituality.

GRATITUDE IS THE SOIL WHERE JOY BLOSSOMS

**IT IS BORN OF THE AWARENESS OF LIFE,
IN A SACRED INSTANT THAT UNIFIES YOUR SOUL WITH THE UNIVERSE.**

**GRATITUDE IS THE PRIVILEGE AND THE OPPORTUNITY OF EVERY BEING,
FOR EACH MAN AND WOMAN CAN BE GRATEFUL FOR SOMETHING.**

AND IN THE JOY OF GRATITUDE, A CELEBRATION IS CREATED.

WE CELEBRATE TO BE THANKFUL, TO BE FULLY AWARE.

EVERY MOON IS A CYCLE OF LIFE, OF AWARENESS:

A CELEBRATION OF LOVE, GRACE AND GRATITUDE.

THE ROAD TO SUSTAINABLE TOURISM

ENERGY - Tulum has power through diesel generators, which are highly contaminant. Papaya Playa Project has built the infrastructure necessary to join the power provided by Mexico's Federal Electricity Commission, avoiding the production of 1,164,070 tons of carbon dioxide per year.

WASTEWATER - We treat wastewater through an aerobic process treatment plant with a capacity of 96 cubic meters per day. This way, we avoid the transportation of the equivalent of 192 trucks of waste per month.

CLEAN WATER - We have on site a reverse osmosis plant. This prevents 9,000 trucks of water from moving annually, saving the environment around 140 tons of carbon emissions from transportation.

JUNGLE PRESERVATION - The land on which Papaya Playa Project is located would allow the building of a 1500-room hotel. However, the creators preferred to offer only 100 beach houses and conserve 93% of our jungle through responsible construction in both architecture and materials, which encourages interaction with nature and the conservation of the homes of various bird species such as toucans and chachalacas.

RECYCLING & CONSTRUCTION - Recycling and the reuse of wood and materials is at the core of our construction and work philosophy. We elevate walkways and hydraulic installations to not harm roots and burrows. For us in Papaya Playa Project, animals and plants are the first inhabitants of the area, and we strive to cohabit with respect and care.

LOCAL CONSUMPTION - We source locally all products used in the hotel, or we buy from Mexican manufacturers with fair trade. We have workshops on site, producing 90% of the hotel furniture and linens. With these and

ON JULY 2015 WE LAUNCHED OUR MISSION TO ACHIEVE A ZERO EMISSIONS AND ZERO CONTAMINATION COMMUNITY. AS 2020 BEGINS, WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED IMPORTANT MILESTONES ON OUR JOURNEY.



other efforts, Papaya Playa Project is one of Tulum's main sources of employment.

OTHER INITIATIVES INCLUDE:

MELIPONA BEE HIVE - These bees are wild flora pollinators, as well as agricultural pollinators. In Papaya Playa Project, we are creating a permanent Melipona bee hive, for this species resides permanently in one hive.

ORCHARDS - Without affecting our beloved jungle, Papaya Playa Project has a cashew orchard, with 150 banana and coconut trees. We use micronutrients and organic fertilizers that revive the soil while adding more trees only when and where it is healthy for the ecosystem. Soon we will also grow more chickoo, pineapple, guava, jackfruit, breadfruit, watermelon and, of course, papaya trees.

LIGHT POLLUTION - Plants and animals have the natural cycle of light and day encoded in their DNA, and it regulates many life sustaining behaviors like reproduction, eating and sleeping. Papaya Playa Project avoids unnecessary artificial light to care for our cohabitants.



Read more about our turtle program on page 8

WHERE FOCUS GOES ENERGY FLOWS

AWARENESS AND GRATITUDE INFUSE ALL OUR NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS

The transition from 2019 to 2020 is a time of celebration and awareness. The portal between one year and the next opens and creates the opportunity for each one to decide what stays behind and what to bring into the New Year. It is a time to be open, thoughtful and noticing our impact in life, in others and in Nature. It is the chance to make peace and let go. 2020 is a clean slate.

Intention is at the core of your resolutions. Intent is powerful, think of it as a North Star guiding your soul to a greater awareness in each aspect of your life and your path.

Each day in Papaya Playa Project is full of intention. To create, to meditate and to acknowledge all that you are: it is a spiritual, physical and joyful time. Our daily activities allow you to dive as deep as you wish into your soul, to connect to gratitude, celebration, energy and flow.

Discover our new space: a private cenote, where we'll host special concerts and immersive and sound healing experiences. Experience different spaces at Papaya Playa Project to listen to masters and guides; or practice yoga, breathwork or mindfulness with our resident teachers and special guests. Join a Temazcal, a recreation of Mother Earth's warm womb, a sacred ceremony to heal and reflect. Our intention is to allow you to wonder at your soul, your connection to the unity of life, and to let yourself feel the joy and gratitude that come with this realization.



NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION

Watch the first sunrise of 2020 from our beach club, fully aware of your connection to Mother Earth and the endless pulse of the Universe. Experience the purest joy, that comes from awareness of life's gifts and a deep gratitude for all that is.

New Year's Eve begins with a welcome cocktail at sunset. Afterwards, be inspired by Michelin Star chef Indra Carrillo's dinner on the beach, flavors and textures meant to entice your senses. The Fire Ceremony brings attention to our soul and what it needs to grow into the new year. With music as our guide, we dance into 2020, setting our intention in gratitude, and welcoming all the gifts that it may bring.

NEW YEAR'S DAY 2020

Our celebration continues with a laid back, reflective and familiar day. All are welcome to practice yoga, enjoy Prana juices and learn from teachers, alternative practitioners and shamans.

NEW YEAR'S DINNER BY MICHELIN STAR 2019 CHEF INDRA CARRILLO



Unpredictable and memorable. A traveler's take on cuisine. A young Mexican whose restaurant La Condesa in Paris earned one Michelin Star after just two years.

Indra Carrillo was born in Cancun but his culinary and self-discovery journey took him from Mexico to India, from London to Tokyo, from Italy to Paris, where he serves just 24 guests in an intimate experience. We will bid farewell to 2019 sharing a meal prepared by Indra at Papaya Playa Project.

Indra Carrillo worked in renowned restaurants like Le Meurice, l'Astrance Enoteca Pinchiorri in Firenze, Pujol, in Mexico City; Ginza Kojyu, in Tokyo, Le Ritz, in London and Le Bristol in Paris. He has been awarded Revelation and Best New Chef by Pudlo Culinary Guide 2018. Le Point awarded La Condesa as New Favorite Restaurant 2017. Gault & Millau Guide awarded him the Young Chef Award for 2017 and 2018. The French Culinary Academy awarded him the Bronze Medal in its Trophee Passion.

Tickets available [HERE](#)
Celebration only? Apply [HERE](#)

OUR WINTER PROGRAM

WOOMOON



Performers, dancers, DJs and artists come together in a celebration for the moon. Born in Ibiza, this celebrated avant-garde festival is a show of wonders, a mind-blowing night of creativity and music, a journey into a magic universe.

FULL MOON CELEBRATION BY PAPAYA PLAYA PROJECT

Each full moon we celebrate with a special intention, to recognize a particular quality and thank the universe for it. We allow wonder, music and movement to say what words cannot express. We end a cycle in joy, and begin a new one, part of the circle of life, of gifts and of gratitude allow us to grow.

**WHERE WORDS FAIL,
MUSIC SPEAKS**
— HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN

MAYAN WARRIOR



A collaborative project that with artists from Mexico City and Northern California, fueled by contemporary Mexican electronic music. Each night is a journey through the artist selection, focusing on the whole experience rather than on single moments or highlights.

PROGRAM

AWARENESS PROGRAM

Our Awareness Program includes holistic activities: Daily Yoga + Special Master Yoga classes / Temazcal Ceremonies / Master Classes & Talk / Breathwork & Movement Sessions / Workshops & Ceremonies in Private Cenote / Sound Healing & Immersive Music Concerts. Access is included for hotel guests, and all activities are open for visitors

EVERYDAY

SATURDAY NIGHT GIEGLING X PPP

SATURDAY 28 

NEW YEAR'S HOLISTIC DAY

WEDNESDAY 1

NYE DINNER + CELEBRATION

TUESDAY 31 

AWARENESS PROGRAM + SPECIAL CONCERT

SATURDAY 4

STORYTELLERS

SUNDAY 5 

SAGA

TUESDAY 7 

WOOMOON

THURSDAY 9 

FULL MOON CELEBRATION BY PAPAYA PLAYA PROJECT

SATURDAY 11 

 MAYAN WARRIOR

SUNDAY 12 

PAPAYA PLAYA PROJECT SATURDAY NIGHT

SATURDAY 18 

LIFE RE-INSPIRED

ART PROJECTS

The first thing I notice in Papaya Playa Project is art. Art is a way for my spirit to connect to its essence and be elevated. What amazes me is the creative exuberance of the Art Walk, the beauty of everyday objects when they have a new intention, the way an artist can provoke me, especially in this setting. This a creative hub, one that hosts residences for installation and visual artists, to allow for their creativity to flourish and be nurtured by the jungle and the sea. It is through these encounters, the unique conversations and bonds that develop here, that this Project nourishes my creative soul.



YOGA

I wake up every morning with the sounds of the sea and join the Vinyasa yoga practice in a palapa overlooking the Caribbean. The session starts with a meditation to connect with the elements and our higher and purest thoughts and then the asanas warm my body and allow me to explore different sequences.

The practice ends with a delicious stretch enhanced by sunlight, and the most amazing Savassana submerged in nature sounds. Yoga is a sacred space to heal all levels of my body, mind and spirit.



PRANA

My body benefits from Prana Be Well, the juice bar at Papaya Playa Project. As I sit inside the cozy bar, I sip a cold pressed juice, that has all the enzymes, nutrients and fibers from fresh fruits and vegetables, with little oxidation. Through wholesome, organic, and local products, the juice bar simplifies the healthy choices I make to lead a lifestyle that cares for the soul through the purification of the body.



WELLNESS TREATMENT

A hand that cares for body and face softly moves the soul. My time in Papaya Playa Project creates a space for self-care that I relish. I had a treatment in my casa, and another by the beach. Each one healed my mind and body through local herbs, coconut, honey, aloe and clay, guided by the expert hands of a caring therapist. It is a perfect oasis to re-energize immersed in the jungle.



INSTANTANTS

JORGE LUIS BORGES

If I could have my life to live over,
 I'll dare to make more mistakes,
 I wouldn't try to be so perfect,
 I'll be more relaxed,
 I'll be more full than I am now,
 In fact, I'll take fewer things seriously,
 I'll be less hygienic,
 I'll take more risks,
 I'll take more trips,
 I'll watch more sunsets,
 I'll climb more mountains,
 I'll swim more rivers,
 I'll go to more places I've never been,
 I'll eat more ice creams and less lime beans,
 I'll have more real problems, and less imaginary ones,

I was one of those people who live
 prudent and prolific lives -
 each minute of his life,
 Of course that I had moments of joy - but,
 if I could go back I would try to have only good moments,

If you don't know - that's what life is made of,
 Don't lose the now!

I was one of those who never goes anywhere
 without a thermometer,
 without a hot-water bottle,
 without an umbrella and without a parachute,

If I could live again - I will travel light,
 If I could live again - I'll try to work bare feet
 at the beginning of spring till
 the end of autumn,
 I'll ride more carts,
 I'll watch more sunrises and play with more children,
 If I have a life to live - but now I am 85,
 - and I know that I am dying ...



OUR TURTLE PROGRAM

In collaboration with the Municipality of Tulum and Grupo Orígenes de Quintana Roo we have developed the most advanced Turtle Program in the area. Each night, from May to October, a full team of biologists patrols our beach to find new nests, assist turtles if they find any inconvenience during nesting and also to make sure and collaborate so that every newborn turtle will get safely to the water.

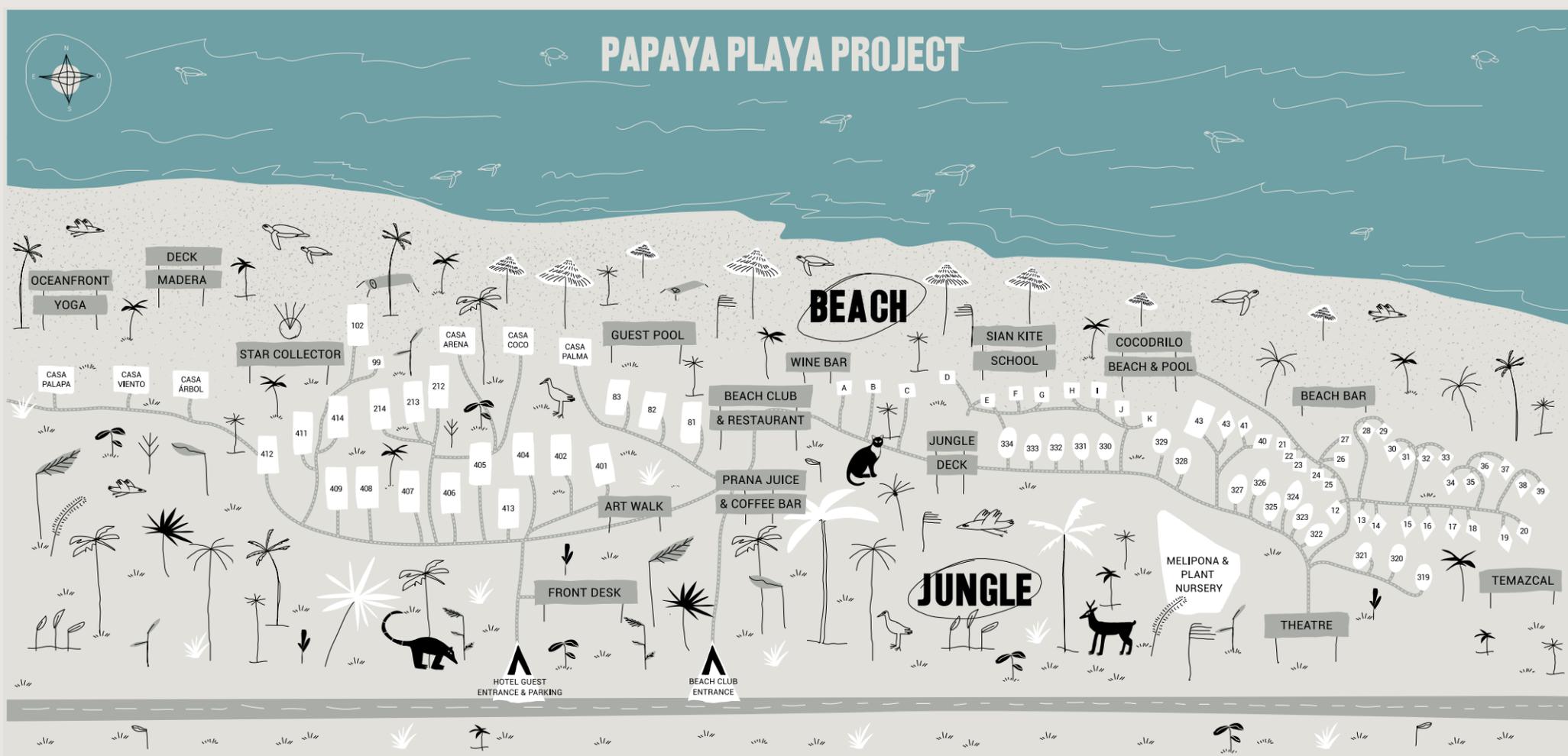
NESTS: 187
BABY TURTLES REACHING THE COAST: 14,726


GREEN SEA TURTLE
 (Chelonia mydas)
NESTS 140
BIRTHS 11,549


LOGGERHEAD
 (Caretta caretta)
NESTS 47
BIRTHS 3,177

1 OUT OF EACH 1,000 BABY TURTLES WILL REACH ADULTHOOD.

THERE ARE MANY PATHS BUT ONLY ONE JOURNEY



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