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Without a doubt, the State of Veracruz has positioned itself as a benchmark in Sports Tourism and, thanks to the different scenarios and climates, the place is perfect for practicing extreme sports that have become popular and catapulted as an attraction for hundreds of young people.

In the entity, it is possible to bathe in beautiful beaches and get to know peaceful cities with a stately atmosphere, full of culture, but that is only a feature of how much there is for tourists.

In Veracruz you can bring out that adventurous and adrenaline-addicted side, they are experiences far from the hubbub of big cities and very close to nature.





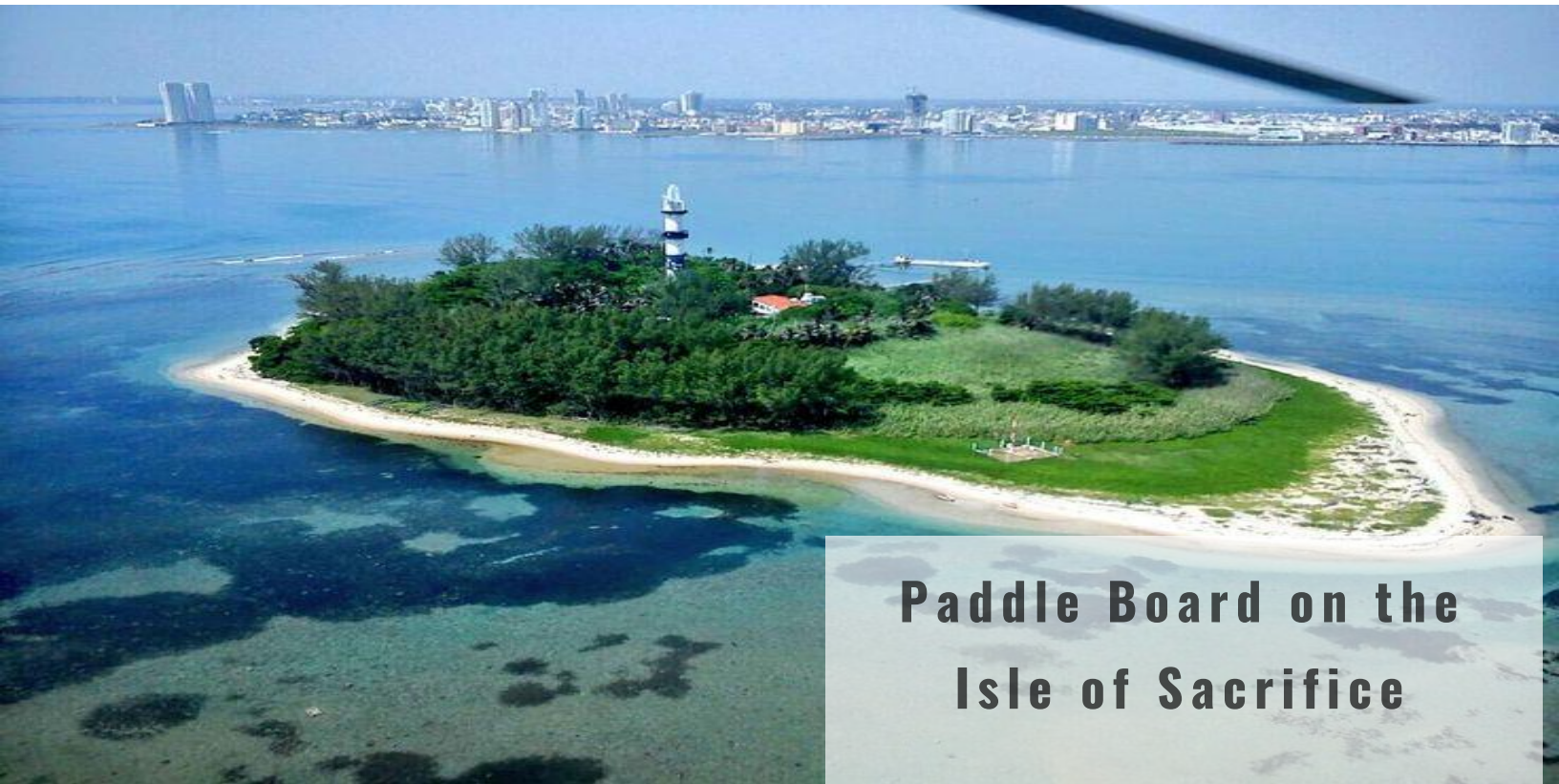
## Rappelling in the Lorencillo Pirate Cave



Just half an hour from Catemaco, a land of mysticism in Veracruz, is the famous Roca Partida beach where, in addition to resting in its semi-virgin landscapes, is the Cueva del Pirata Lorencillo.

According to legend, it is believed that this point in the Gulf of Mexico was the hiding place of the treasure of the Dutch-born pirate and navigator Laurens de Graaf. The treasure has never been found, but the rappel descent is quite an adventure.

Back in the city, you can enjoy Catemaco, famous for its mystical ceremonies on the first Friday of March. Within the municipality, you can see the Church of Mount Carmel, Lake Catemaco, the Statue of the Fisherman, the Casa Herrera Blanco, and, less than 20 minutes away, the captivating Nanciyaga Ecological Reserve.



## Paddle Board on the Isle of Sacrifice

Do you want to see how the sun's rays are born from the maritime horizon? The Paddle Board is one of the most interesting experiences on the list since it is finding yourself with the challenge of navigating on a board supported by an oar.

The experiences go to the Isla de Sacrificios, from eight in the morning, to later take advantage of the proximity and snorkel in the islets surrounding the main island and witness the flora and fauna of the Veracruz Reef System.

After a tour around the island lighthouse, the return is done in the same way, and with luck, you can see turtles or dolphins.





## The exciting Chachalacas

This is already a classic in Veracruz sports attractions. The dunes of El Sabanal, popularly known as the Chachalacas dunes, are property of more than 550 hectares, which gives the impression that it is a great dessert.

Located in the municipality of Ursulo Galvan, an hour and a half from the City of Veracruz and one hour from Xalapa, is one of the most beautiful beaches in the state: Playa Chachalacas.

There is a wide range of activities; on land, you can paraglide from the highest point of the dunes, you can go sandboarding on the sand, or ride the dunes on an ATV or motorcycle.

Inside the water, you can take a tour by boat or jet ski, without forgetting the security measures.

Chachalacas is an attractive place with a great offer of adrenaline.





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