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Several pedestrians walk along an informal open-air market. The market consists of multiple vegetables lined up in piles on top of tarps or blankets. Paint peels off of a building in the background.

Pátzcuaro is a small town in the highlands of Mexico in the state of Michoacán. The town predates the arrival of the Spaniards; the Purepecha people have lived in the area since at least 1324. Conquistadors claimed the area for Spain in 1540. The town is well-known for its indigenous heritage, expressed through traditional dances and handcrafted goods.



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