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This map is the work of Juan Gómez de Trasmonte and represents Mexico City in the 17th Century. Mexico City is the capital of Mexico and is also known as the Federal District, Distrito Federal in Spanish, which is the reason D.F. follows the official name of the city.

Mexico City is an area of Mexico known as both the Valley of Mexico and the Valley of Anáhuac. This area is in the center of Mexico in the high plateaus with an altitude of 7,349 feet. The municipality officially became known as Mexico City, Ciudad de México, in 1585, before which it had been known as México Tenustitian since 1524.



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