

# CUBA



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A CULTURAL BRUSHSTROKE







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## DAY 1 | HAVANA

Arrival at José Martí International Airport in Havana, where you will be greeted by a guide who will accompany you to your Hostel or Casa Particular. After checking in and some time to relax, you will have the opportunity to enjoy a welcome dinner at a private restaurant.

**Meals: dinner.**



## DAY 2 | HAVANA

Explore the cobbled streets of Old Havana on a guided walking tour of the city. Founded in 1512 and declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site, we will visit some of Havana's most important places, such as the Plaza de San Francisco de Asis, Plaza de Armas, Plaza de la Catedral, and the Bar-Restaurant La Bodeguita del Medio, to enjoy a mojito cocktail.

After this tour, lunch will be served at a local restaurant. Next, visit the Museum of Fine Arts in Havana and take a walk through the famous Central Park where local Cubans discuss their favorite pastime "Baseball," the Bacardi Building, famous for its Art Deco architecture. In the evening, visit and enjoy the famous cannon shooting ceremony in Havana, a unique opportunity to immerse yourself in the culture and tradition of the Cuban capital.

**Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner on own.**

## DAY 3 | HAVANA

After breakfast at the Hostel or Casa Particular, head out to discover modern Havana, the name given to the capital's area that developed fully in the mid-20th century, although it began to take shape long before. Its most eloquent exponents are the neighborhoods of El Vedado and Miramar, visit Fusterlandia, an oasis of color and capricious sculptures made with various ceramic pieces. Fuster's imagination has created an amazing place to visit. Inspired by the works of Gaudí, the artist recreates a personal world related to the Cuban flavor, reflected in colors, shapes, and figures.

Next, it's time for lunch at a private restaurant. Then we will immerse ourselves in the Latin-influenced movements of the Habana Compás Dance Company when we attend a private performance. A group of artists who induce a mix of Spanish flamenco and Afro-Cuban rhythms and dance eclectically using chairs as a means to play the drums. In the evening, go out to enjoy a traditional Cuban music show with members of the Buena Vista Social Club, accompanied by an exquisite dinner.

**Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner.**







## DAY 4 | PLAYA LARGA & CIENFUEGOS

Breakfast at the Hostel or Casa Particular. Departure to Cienfuegos, on the way, visit the Korimakao Cultural Project, a free boarding school focused on developing skills in music, dance, theater, poetry, and more. Located in the community of Pálpite, Ciénega de Zapata, the academy attracts students from all over the country. Enjoy a seafood lunch at a local restaurant. Travel to the French colonial city of Cienfuegos, declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

**Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner on own**



## DAY 5 | CIENFUEGOS

Breakfast at the Hostel or Casa Particular. Visit to the Marti Park, the central point of Cienfuegos. Within the park, you will find one of the many Cuban statues of Jose Marti, considered a hero throughout Cuba. On the outskirts, you will find the only triumphal arch commemorating the creation of the Republic of Cuba after the end of the Spanish-Cuban-American War.

Additionally, you will find the Old City Hall, an ornate building that houses the provincial government assembly, the Tomas Terry Theater, the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, the College of San Lorenzo, and the Ferrer Palace. Visit to the Graphic Engraving Workshop. Lunch at a local private restaurant. Rest of the afternoon free.

**Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner on own.**



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## DAY 6 | CIENFUEGOS & TRINIDAD

Breakfast at the Hostel or Casa Particular. Departure to explore the cobbled streets of Trinidad, adorned with red-tiled houses, on a guided walking tour of the old town. Founded in the 16th century and declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO, its architectural monuments include the Brunet Palace and the Cantero Palace.

Lunch at a local restaurant. After lunch, you will discover a series of three interconnected valleys, the Valley of the Sugar Mills, which was the center of sugar production in the 18th and 19th centuries. At its peak, more than 50 sugar cane mills operated in the valley, and over 30,000 slaves worked in the surrounding fields. Discover how Trinidad amassed its wealth, stroll through the ruins and the preserved plantation house, and enjoy magnificent views of the valley. Return to Cienfuegos and farewell dinner at a local private restaurant.

**Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner.**

## DAY 7 | CIENFUEGOS - HAVANA - USA

Breakfast at the Hostel or Casa Particular. Departure from Cienfuegos to the José Martí International Airport in Havana to board a flight to the USA.

**Meals: breakfast.**

**END OF TRIP**

### INCLUDED SERVICES

- Transportation throughout the program in comfortable vehicles driven by professional drivers.
- Accompaniment during all program activities by an English-speaking specialized guide
- Visits and activities specified in bold.
- Meals, except those specified as self-pay.
- Accommodation in Hostels or Private Houses

(Casa Particular directly translates from Spanish as "private house". Think of a Casa Particular as a family home, similar to a B&B (Bed and Breakfast). Most of the time, they are privately managed by families who live in them.

With recent changes, many of them are now owned by families rather than the government.

Casas Particulares began in 1997 when the Cuban government officially allowed families to rent rooms or houses to tourists. It was a way to provide a new option for accommodations and also to provide income to Cuban families.)







## NOT INCLUDED SERVICES

- Not included services.
- Tips.
- Any other service no specified in the program.





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