

# CUBA

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# A CULTURAL (7 DAYS) BRUSHSTROKE



## 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 cobble 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.**







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## 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.

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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.

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.
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## NOT INCLUDED SERVICES

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- Tips.
- Any other service no specified in the program







# THE HAVANA (5 DAYS) THROUGH TIME



## DAY 1 | HAVANA

Arrival in Havana, capital of Cuba, built around a deep natural harbor. Havana is one of the most impressive cities in America and also one of the most exciting. The modern city is a fascinating mixture of the old and the new, with blocks of ruined housing and American cars from the 1950s rubbing shoulders with grand colonial buildings. You will be met by an English-speaking guide and transferred privately upon arrival at Havana International Airport. After checking in and having some time to relax, you will have the opportunity to enjoy a welcome dinner at a private restaurant.



**Meals: dinner.**

## DAY 2 | IN HAVANA: VINTAGE AMERICAN CAR TOUR

Breakfast at the Hostal or Casa Particular. Explore the maze of cobbled streets of Old Havana on a guided walking tour of the old city. Founded in 1512 and declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO, we will visit some of the most important places in Havana, such as the Plaza de San Francisco de Asís, the Plaza de Armas, the 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 private restaurant.

We will continue to the famous Central Park where local Cubans discuss their favorite pastime “Baseball”. This is the beginning of an unforgettable 2-hour vintage tour aboard one of our 50s American cars, to discover the famous Malecón habanero, a seawall considered the most characteristic image of the city, joining the traditional center with the populous neighborhood of El Vedado, from whose heart, La Rampa, other tourist and cultural places of interest can be easily accessed. 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.

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## DAY 3 | IN HAVANA: CUBAN LIFESTYLE AND MUSIC

Breakfast at the Hostal or Casa Particular. Visit to the Crafts Fair at the Old Warehouses of San José. Considered the oldest pier on the Havana seawall, this pier offers a beautiful panoramic view from inside the bay of Havana. Here you can find all typical souvenirs under one roof. Visit to the Havana Club Rum Museum. From freshly cut sugarcane stems to the reconstitution of a distillery and aging cellars, the museum offers a real-time experience of the rum-making process, as well as a sample of true Cuban culture.

You will learn how to prepare a typical Cuban drink. Continue with a panoramic tour of the Morro-Cabaña Historical-Military Park that includes a visit to the Christ. This majestic representation of Jesus Christ, only four decades old, is part of the landscape that characterizes the entrance to the port of Havana. The monument was made in Italy by the Cuban artist Jilma Madera, who did not use any male model and, instead, based her work on her ideal of male beauty. Being next to Christ, meanwhile, you can enjoy a wide view of the bay of Havana.

Lunch at a cozy restaurant, followed by a salsa dance class at the Casa del Son, a colonial house from 1715 that has been recently and tastefully restored and reformed where we want you to experience an atmosphere of art, music, and dance.

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## DAY 4 | IN HAVANA: PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE EXPERIENCE

After breakfast, visit to Fusterlandia, an oasis of color and whimsical sculptures made with various ceramic pieces. Fuster's imagination has created an incredible place to visit. Inspired by the works of Gaudi, the artist recreates a personal world related to the Cuban flavor, reflected in colors, shapes, and figures.

Visit to El Callejón de Hamel, a temple of Afro-Cuban culture and rumba, inscribed on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. Lunch at a Local Restaurant. Rest of the afternoon free.

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

## DAY 5 | PRIVATE TRANSFER TO LA HABANA AIRPORT

Breakfast at El Hostal or Casa Particular, Transfer to José Martí International Airport in Havana to board a flight to the United States.

**Meals: breakfast.**

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## CULTURE, TRADITION & NATURE (6 DAYS)



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Assistance of an English-speaking guide and private transfer upon arrival at the International Airport of Havana. After checking in and some time to relax, you will have the opportunity to enjoy a welcome dinner at a private restaurant.

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This is the beginning of an unforgettable vintage tour of 2 hours aboard one of our American cars from the 1950s, to discover the famous Malecón of Havana, a seawall considered the most characteristic image of the city, connecting the traditional center with the populous neighborhood of El Vedado, from whose heart, La Rampa, other tourist and cultural sites can be easily accessed. At night, go out and enjoy a show of traditional Cuban music with members of the Buena Vista Social Club, accompanied by an exquisite dinner.

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## DAY 3 | TERRACES: COMMUNITY, NATURE AND HISTORY

Breakfast at El Hostal or Casa Particular. Departure to the province of Artemiza, where we will arrive at the Terrazas Community, located in the Sierra del Rosario Biosphere Reserve. This site represents a unique case, not only for its architectural, formal, and landscape values, and the appropriate dialogue between nature and man-made infrastructure but also for the achievement of having maintained its integrity and identity for more than three decades and enriched it throughout its evolution.

Welcome to the Rancho Curujey, where you will be offered a brief explanation of the Las Terrazas project while enjoying a refreshing welcome cocktail. Visit to Buenavista coffee plantation, a 19th-century coffee plantation fostered by French immigrants on a hilltop. Visit to the Moka hotel. Tour of the Terrazas Community and contact with the residents in the Callejón de la Moka, in addition to enjoying a good Creole coffee at Café de María.

Lunch at one of the restaurants in the Complex. Descent to the San Juan River, a natural resort of extraordinary beauty, with natural pools of crystal clear waters. Free time for swimming. Accommodation at Hotel Moka.

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## DAY 4 | PINAR DEL RÍO: TOBACCO ROUTE AND RURAL LIFE

After breakfast, depart for the town of San Juan and Martínez in the province of Pinar del Río, where you will find Héctor Luis' Quemado de Rubí farm, a simple man who loves the land and tobacco leaves. Many titles could be bestowed upon him, but today he is known and will go down in history as the youngest Habano Man in the world.

Depending on the time of year, you can appreciate some of the different stages the plant goes through: growth, harvest or drying. In addition, you will learn about the different types of leaves and cigars and have lunch on the farm. Continue on to the city of Pinar del Río to visit a cigar factory where dozens of rollers artistically mix multiple layers of leaves to produce Habanos. Visit DECUBA "Art in Woods," a group of experienced artists and artisans based in Pinar del Río, dedicated to the design, manufacture, and marketing of humidors and containers for preserving Habanos.

Next, head to Viñales, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The stunning landscape of the Viñales Valley is characterized by its mogotes, a series of high, rounded hills that rise steeply from the flat plain of the valley. Photo stop at the National Park Visitor Center, which overlooks a panorama of tobacco fields, drying houses, and steep mogotes. Overnight at a Casa Particular.

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







## DAY 5 | RETURN TO HAVANA

After breakfast, depart for the town of San Juan and Martínez in the province of Pinar del Río, where After breakfast, visit the Mural de la Prehistoria, a colossal mural painting made by the inhabitants of the locality under the direction of Leovigildo González, a disciple of the Mexican muralist Diego Rivera, depicting the geological evolution of the territory.

With 260 m in length and 120 m in height, it is considered one of the largest in the world. Return to Havana. Upon arrival, have lunch at a private restaurant.

Visit El Callejón de Hamel, a temple of Afro-Cuban culture and rumba, inscribed on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. Rumba music and movements in Cuba are mainly associated with African culture, but also present elements of Antillean culture and Spanish flamenco. Continue on to your accommodation, rest of the afternoon free. In the evening, enjoy a farewell dinner at a cozy private restaurant.

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

## DAY 6 | PRIVATE TRANSFER TO LA HABANA AIRPORT

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# RENT A CAR IN CUBA



The agency will request Calypso Kronos to book the rental service via:

- e-mail: [reservas@viajeskronoscuba.com](mailto:reservas@viajeskronoscuba.com)
- Whatsapp: +53 5 581 3453 o + 53 5 269 4234.

The following information will be required when booking:

- Type of car
- Driver's full name
- Date of birth
- Passport number
- Nationality
- Date and time of rental start
- Date and time of termination of the rental
- Collection point
- In case of pick-up at Havana Airport, please specify the terminal.

## MULTIPLE OPTIONS



## HOTEL SELECTION



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