

COLOURS OF CUBA IN TOUCH WITH THE PEOPLE OF CUBA FIT TRAVELERS A PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE PROGRAM 13 DAYS/12 NIGHTS

ITINERARY

Day 1, HAVANA

- Arrival at Havana International Airport José Martí.
- Meet and Greeting at the Airport.
- Transfer In to Hotel in Havana, Check In.
- Accommodation in H & B at any of the Hotel 4* standard in Havana like: Hotel ROC Presidente, or Hotel Mercure Sevilla, or Hotel Tejadillo or Hotel Terral, or Hotel boutiques in Old Havana, or Hotel H-10 Panorama or Hotel Memories Habana.
- Meeting with the Tour Guide to revise the Program, which laid ahead as well as interact and chat about Cuba and their people.
- Dinner at the Hotel.
- Free evening.

D (dinner included)

Day 2, HAVANA

- 08:30 Breakfast.
- 09:00 Departing for Full Private City Tour of Havana. Starting the walking Tour of Old Havana from the Templete, where Havana villa was founded in 1519. Walking through the Plaza de Armas and all other Squares of Old Havana: San Francisco de Asís Square, then to Old Square, visit the Cathedral Square. Seeing the monuments, the Palacio del Segundo Cabo and the Cathedral.
- 10:00 Visit the Museum of Small Scale of Old Havana to learn about the process of refurbishing of the historical center of Havana declared by Unesco in 1982 as Work Heritage Site.
- 11:30 Entrance to the Cigar Factory to learn about the history of the Havano Cigar and its influence in the economic life of the island.
- 13:00 Visit the Rum Museum to learn about the process of producing Cuban Rum from the Sugar cane and the link with the Sugar Industry in Cuba.
- 14:30 Lunch at La Bodeguita del Medio, bohemian restaurant in Old Havana from the 40's also to the Capitanes Generales Museum and the Revolution Museum.
- 17:00 Visit the Paseo del Prado Avenue, enjoying a majestic Avenue; visit the Grand Theater of Havana, the Central Park José Martí and the Capitol Building.
- 20:30 Drive through Old and Modern Habana by 1 Hour with the Old American Vintage Car, dinner at Family Restaurant San Cristobal de la Havana.
- 22:00 Tropicana Cabaret Show, first class seats, transportation round trip plus half bottle of rum, soft drinks one Havano and flower at the entrance, cold cuts, 1 glass of Cava.
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Day 3, HAVANA

- 08:30 Breakfast.
- 09:30 Visit the Colon Cemetery, one of the most historical cemetery of the world and the most significant in Latin American with more of 500 mausoleums, chapels and family vaults; visit some of the most relevant mansions of the Vedado on Paseo Avenue, President Avenue, 17 Street between others, visit the University of Havana, the Coppelia building, the Rampa, the first Hilton built outside USA in the fifties, the Museum of Decorative Arts and the Napoleonic Museum.
- 14:00 Optional Luncheon.
- 15:00 Then go to nearby Miramar and Siboney counties, visit the National School of Fine Arts considered the building more representative of the architecture trend in the sixties in Cuba, visit the Jaimanita and the art project known as Fusterlandia created by the painter Jose Fuster in Jaimanita.
- 19:00 Back to the Hotel.
- Free evening.
- Accommodation in H&B at any of the Hotel 4* standard in Havana like Hotel ROC Presidente, or Hotel Mercure Sevilla, or Hotel Tejadillo or Hotel Terral, or Hotel boutiques in Old Havana, or Hotel H-10 Panorama or Hotel Memories Habana.

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Day 4, HAVANA - LAS TERRAZAS - VIÑALES VALLEY

- 7:00 Breakfast.
- 7:30 Departure for Tour to the western region of Cuba, first Las Terrazas community Project.
- 8:45 Visit the Curujey Interpretation Center where you will receive an explanation about this reforestation Project, how it was, how has developed and what is expected in the future.
- Visit the ruins of the French Coffee plantation, visit the community.
- 11:00 Departing for Pinar del Río.
- 11:25 Visit the Montesino Cigar Farm where you will see the tobacco plantations and the process of drying the tobacco leaf from where the Havana Cigar is produced.
- 12:15 Continuation of trip to Pinar del Rio City.
- 13:25 Entrance to the Cigar Factory to learn about the process of producing Hand-made Havano Cigar.
- 14:30 Visit Los Jazmines viewpoint from where you will have an excellent view over the Valley.
- 15:00 Lunch at Restaurant Rancho San Vicente or similar.
- 16:15 Entrance to the Indian caves with a boat ride inside the cave.
- Enjoy the town.
- Dinner at the Hotel's restaurant.
- Accommodation in Guesthouse in the area of Valley or at any of the Hotels existing in the valley: Hotel Los Jazmines 3* or at Hotel La Ermita 3* or at Hotel Rancho San Vicente.

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Day 5, VIÑALES VALLEY - SOROA - HAVANA

- After early breakfast, Check Out, departing for walking trekking through the valley to know more about the area, and the peasants and farmers who growth the tobacco leaf to produce the havano cigar and also vegetables for daily life.
- 11:00 Departing for Soroa.
- 12:45 Luncheon at the Ranchón de Soroa.
- Visit the Botanical Garden with hundreds of Orchid's species. Visit the waterfalls.
- 17:00 Continuation to Havana in the late afternoon.



- 18:45 Check in.
- Optional dinner (not included).
- Free evening.
- Accommodation in B & B at Hotel Tejadillo or Parkview in Old Havana or similar.

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Day 6, HAVANA - PENINSULA DE ZAPATA - CIENFUEGOS

- Early breakfast and check out to start a drive, which will take you to the Península de Zapata, one of the most peculiar region of Cuba, which used to be between the most inaccessible and poorest region of Cuba before 1959. It is the biggest swamp where the Cuban crocodile specie Crocodylus Rhombiferis (small specie as well as very aggressive, unique from Cuba). Visit the Farm where is feed and reproduced to keep the existence of the specie.
- Also one of the areas to learn about the Cuban nature particularly regarding the fauna and the bird population.
- Luncheon in a local restaurant.
- Visit the Korimakao Cultural Project, music, art, theater founded by actor Manuel Porto, explanations of its development and actual prospects.
- Continuation the trip to visit the Museum of Bay of Pigs which recounts the events which took place in 1961 when Cuban exiles forces organized and trained by CIA launch an invasion in this area to overthrown the revolutionary regime. Explanation by an specialist.
- 18:00 Continuation of the trip to Cienfuegos City.
- 19:25 Check In at any of the Hotels 4**** in H & B like La Union, Jagua, Palacio Azul or similar.
- Dinner at the Hotel's restaurant.
- Free evening.

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Day 7, CIENFUEGOS - SANTA CLARA - TRINIDAD

- 07:30 Breakfast.
- 08:30 Check Out, Tour of Cienfuegos City, founded by French settlers who came from Louisiana, USA in 1819. This history gives it an air and architectural style that is distinctive from that of the rest of the island. This city appeal lies partly in the European flavor of its colonial heritage, with a wide Parisian-style boulevard and elegant colonnades, and there is an ambience to inspire Cuba's most celebrated Son singer Benny Moré to write the words "Cienfuegos is the city I like best". Visit the Martí Park, the Terry Theater, the Alameda (Central Park), the Seaboard (one of the prettiest Bay in Cuba); visit the Palacio del Valle with a welcoming drink.
- 12:00 Continuation of the trip to Santa Clara city.
- 13:45 Luncheon at Los Caneyes Restaurant.
- 14:45 Visit the Che Memorial at the Square Che Guevara, from there to the Monument to the Derail Armored Train and then visit the Vidal Park at the Center of the City, walking Tour.
- 17:30 Departing to Trinidad City.
- 19:15 Check In at Guesthouses in Trinidad (the experience of organizing lodging at home started in Trinidad and Viñales Valley since it first was authorized by the Cuban authorities in 1992, already being one of the best available type of accommodation, that has brought resources into the community and the towns in the area, know about that experience, talk to the owner of the Houses about their experiences over the years in developing this family business.
- 20:30 Dinner at a Family Restaurant in the historical Center or organize the dinner at the family 's guest house.
- At evening walk the Trinidad historical Center, enjoy the music and art, learn about the Old Trova Trinitaria.



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Day 8, TRINIDAD

- 08:00 Breakfast.
- 09:00 Starting the Tour of the City of Trinidad, established by the Spaniards in 1514 and lined with cobblestone streets and colorful houses, the town of Trinidad is easy to wander around and almost every scene offers superb photographic opportunities – from locals casually smoking their huge cigars on the doorsteps of their homes to old Chevrolets cruising by. Visit Santa Ana and the Major Square. Entrance to the Cantero Palace, entrance to the Canchanchara Bar with a welcoming drink.
- 13:00 Luncheon at La Parranda Family Restaurant.
- 15:00 Free time to walk around, to take pictures or enjoy Museums like the Architecture, or the Romantic Museum.
- Free evening.
- Look for other very nice private restaurant like Solananda, or Museum 1514.
- Accommodation in B & B at the Guesthouse.

B,L (breakfast and lunch included)

Day 9, TRINIDAD - MANACA IZNAGA - SANCTI SPIRITUS - CAMAGUEY

- 08:00 Breakfast.
- 09:00 Departing for Camaguey City; in the way visit the sugar Mills valley and the Manaca Iznaga tower, to learn about how Trinidad was prosperous in the XVIII and XIX Century thanks to the production of sugar based on the slavery forced it was brought into the island from Africa. Experience the Sugar Juice extracted from the sugar cane.
- Free time to talk to the people in the regions, families living there for centuries many of who has a big tradition of producing handmade fabrics for clothe table and lines.
- 11:30 Continuation to Sancti Spiritus, also one of the first villas founded by the Spaniards in the XVI Century, visit the Palace of Del Valley Iznaga and the historical Center recently refurbished for it 500 Anniversary.
- 14:00 Luncheon at Yayabo Tavern.
- 15:30 continuation to Camaguey.
- 20:00 Check In at the Hotel.
- Accommodation in H & B at Hotel Colon or Hotel Grand Hotel, or any of the few existing Hotel in the area.
- Dinner at the Hotel´s restaurant.

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Day 10, CAMAGUEY - BAYAMO - MANZANILLO

- 08:00 Breakfast.
- 08:30 Check Out, starting the City tour of Camaguey declared by Unesco as Cultural Heritage of Humankind, visit the historical Center, the Agramonte Square, the Museum of Agramonte, the City Museum, visit the main squares, the principal Church.
- Experience the Bici Taxi, which is a way of transportation in the City.
- 12:30 Continuation to Bayamo, the cadre of the cuban nationality.
- 15:00 Luncheon at Royalton Restaurant.
- Tour of the historical center of Bayamo City.
- Visit the historical center, the Carlos Manuel de Céspedes Park, and the Anthem square, the Nationality Museum, the house of Carlos Manuel de Céspedes, the Church.
- 18:00 Continuation to Manzanillo.



 Check In and accommodation in H & B at Hotel Islazul Guacanayabo, dinner at the Hotel's restaurant.

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Day 11, MANZANILLO - SANTIAGO DE CUBA

- 07:30 Breakfast.
- 08:00 Panoramic tour of the Historical Center of Manzanillo.
- 09:00 Continuation to Pilón.
- 10:45 Panoramic tour of Pilón town, continuation to Santiago de Cuba on the road close the Sierra Maestra and the sea coast.
- 13:45 Arrival to Santiago de Cuba, luncheon at a local restaurant.
- Tour of Santiago de Cuba, visiting the Moncada Barrack Museum, visit the Piracy Museum at the Morro Fortress, the Rum Museum of Santiago de Cuba, the Céspedes Park and the Diego Velázquez House
- 16:30 Visit the Granjita de Siboney, from where the Moncada attack departed on July 26, 1953.
- Check In at the Hotel Casagranda or San Basilio and dinner at the Hotel 's restaurant.
- Visit the Casa de la Trova Santiaguera.
- Accommodation in H & B at Hotel Casagranda 4* or similar.

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Day 12, SANTIAGO DE CUBA - BARACOA

- 07:30 Breakfast.
- 08:00 Check Out and departure for Baracoa via Guantanamo City.
- 10:40 Panoramic Tour of the historical center of Guantanamo.
- 11:30 Continuation to Baracoa.
- 12:50 Arrival to Baracoa City, the first villa founded by Christopher Colombus in Cuba, visit the historical center, the Matachin Museum, the Church Primada de Cuba, visit the Casa del Changüí (cuban popular rhythm) and La Tumba Francesa.
- 14:30 Luncheon in a local restaurant.
- Free time to explore more the city.
- Accommodation in H & B at the Hotel Portosanto or Hotel El Castillo or similar.
- Dinner at hotel's restaurant.
- Free night.

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DAY 13, DEPARTURE

- Breakfast.
- Free in the morning.
- Check Out on time and transfer to Santiago de Cuba International Airport.
- Flight back home or International Airport Jose Marti in Havana.

B (breakfast included)

END OF SERVICES