

*People To People
Experience*

CUBA

8 Days/7 Nights



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**A LEADING SUPPLIER FOR CENTRAL
AND SOUTH AMERICA, OFFERING QUALITY
CUSTOMIZED TRAVEL SERVICES SINCE 1989**

THIS EIGHT DAY PACKAGE IS JUST THE RIGHT LENGTH TO REALLY GET TO KNOW CUBA AND EXPERIENCE ALL OF ITS BEAUTY AND HISTORY. FROM OLD HAVANA TO HEMINGWAY'S HOT SPOTS, YOU WILL LEAVE CUBA WITH A REAL FEEL FOR THIS BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY.

DAILY ITINERARY

Day 1

Depart from Miami. Upon arrival in Cuba, clear customs and immigrations and locate your representative for transfer to your hotel.

Free Afternoon in Havana

Parisian Dinner Show: This evening you will be entertained at a famous venue in CUBA with dinner and show. Accommodations in Havana. Hotel Nacional

Day 2

After breakfast at your hotel, depart for a 9:00 am Walking City tour of La Habana Vieja

(Old Havana). With an architectural heritage spanning more than five centuries, you will experience a virtual time machine of styles and techniques. We will take a trip to the Museum of Rum and learn how rum has impacted the economy and food of Cuba. We will visit schools and learn firsthand about the recent restorations in Havana and the historical importance of many of the glorious buildings, many dating back to Colonial times. There are four major squares in Havana, which you will visit: Plaza Vieja, Plaza de la Catedral, Plaza de Armas, and Plaza San Francisco. Enjoy a light lunch at the El Patio Restaurant. In the evening, you will experience Havana's famous traditional Cannon Firing Ceremony with dinner included. Accommodations in Havana. Hotel Nacional

Day 3

After breakfast, we will take a tour to the Sierra del Rosario Nature Reserve. On arrival to the Rancho Curujey you will be given a welcome drink and orientation about the nature reserve project. You will visit the Buenavista Coffee Plantation, a hacienda from the 19th century that has been partially restored. We will head through the pueblo en Callejon de la Moka. Lunch will be included. We will go on a canopy adventure, a bird watching hike, to the El Taburete Hill, and on to the Soroa waterfall. You can even take a swim in the San Juan River. After the tour, return to Havana. In the evening, we will visit the world famous nightclub, the Tropicana Cabaret. You will enjoy watching the glittering spectacle at this beautiful outdoor theater known as "Paradise under the Stars."

Accommodations in Havana. Hotel Nacional





Day 4

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and depart for your Cienfuegos – Cienaga de Zapata Tour. On the way to Trinidad we will pass through the Cienfuegos Province and will have a Panoramic city tour, visiting the Palacio de Valle, and the Teatro Terry. We will continue to Giron Beach, the Museum, and the Crocodile farm nursery, with lunch at Punta Perdiz. We will then visit Trinidad and the Valley de los Ingenios.

Founded in the early 16th century in honor of the Holy Trinity, the city was a bridgehead for the conquest of the American continent. Its 18th- and 19th- century buildings, such as the Palacio Brunet and the Palacio Cantero, were built in its days

of prosperity from the sugar trade. On arrival to the town of Trinidad, we will visit the La Canchanchara Bar (the original version of the daiquiri made with rum, lime juice and honey is still the daiquiri of choice), the Main Plaza Mayor, and Casa de la Trova. Accommodations in Trinidad. Iberostar

Day 5

After breakfast and check out, you will be picked up at 9:00 a.m. for a Panoramic tour on the way to Santa Clara. We will visit the Che Guevara Memorial and the Tren Blindado. We will also visit the Iznaga Tower. Lunch is included on the way at the Restaurant en los Caneyes. Accommodations in Santa Clara. Melia Las Dunas

Day 6

Have breakfast and then check out of the hotel to travel to Varadero. On the way we will visit the Fiesta Campesina farm where you will have lunch. After lunch and a short “people to people” visit, we will head on to Varadero. Accommodations in Varadero. Iberostar

Day 7

After breakfast, check out of the hotel and head back to Havana. On the way, we will have a Panoramic tour. We will make a stop on the way at the Bacunayagua Bridge linking the coastal resort region of Varadero with Havana. Located on a small hill, “El Mirador” (The Lookout) gives visitors the chance to enjoy, in all its magnitude, the Bacunayagua Bridge, which marks the traditional border between the provinces of Matanzas and Havana, both in western Cuba. According to experts, the bridge, which is listed among Cuba's seven wonders of civil engineering of all times, is 110 meters high and was built between 1956 and 1960.

Upon arrival to Havana, we will travel the Hemingway Route - we will continue on to Las Terrazas de Cojimar, the fisherman’s bar that Ernest Hemingway wrote about in *The Old Man and the Sea*, to enjoy a “Don Gregorio” cocktail. Then we will see Finca Vigia, Hemingway's Cuba house. We will have lunch at La Terrazas. On arrival to Havana, check in to your hotel. In the evening, we will visit the world famous nightclub, the Tropicana Cabaret. You will enjoy watching the glittering spectacle at this beautiful outdoor theater known as “Paradise under the Stars.”

Accommodations in Havana. Hotel Nacional

Day 8

Transfer out after breakfast to arrive at the airport four hours before your scheduled 1:45 pm flight back to Miami.





Hotel Nacional de Cuba

The Hotel Nacional de Cuba is a historic luxury hotel located on the Malecón in the middle of Vedado, Havana, Cuba. It stands on Tuganana hill a few metres from the sea, and offers a view of Havana Harbour, the seawall and the city.

One of Cuba's most iconic hotels, Nacional de Cuba combines the features of an old Las Vegas Strip hotel with a picturesque Havana location, & will especially appeal if you enjoy spectacular shows, classic cars or history. Hotel Nacional de Cuba has hosted a range of famous visitors, particularly screen idols from Hollywood's golden years, & the hotel has preserved several historical rooms which can be viewed on free guest tours. Nacional de Cuba is an elegant hotel from a different age & is itself a popular tourist excursion, with beautiful features & artwork as well as memorabilia from famous guests. Classic car lovers will especially enjoy Nacional de Cuba as they can see vintage American vehicles every day on its large, looping driveway & there are shows every Saturday.

The grounds & terrace at Hotel Nacional are beautiful places to relax & sample the hotel's signature pina colodas & mojitos, while enjoying views of the sea & Old Havana. There is a great choice of food & inexpensive drink at Nacional de Cuba with 4 bars, a buffet restaurant, 2 a la carte restaurants & a snack bar. One of the highlights of any stay is the Parisian nightclub with its spectacular floor show, while there is also live music in the lobby veranda every night.



Melia Las Dunas Hotel

Located on the beachfront in Cayo Santa María, exotic spot that dazzles with its natural luxury. All-Inclusive Five-Star Resort with 925 rooms. The hotel vividly recreates two separate environments for families and couples. A city full of tourist attractions where life converges to a lobby area, which extends in a unique boulevard. Recommended for families, weddings, honeymoons, incentives and circuits.

Iberoestar Trinidad

Anyone who thinks that luxury, charming and exclusive hotels can be found only in the capital or on the beach has it all wrong.

The Iberoestar Grand Hotel Trinidad sets the standard for service and amenities for Cuba's boutique properties. The pistachio green building from the nineteenth century is centrally located in Trinidad, opposite the tranquil and inviting Parque Céspedes. Colonial elements abound including a marble columned lobby, a fountain and plenty of antiques. Nevertheless, this hotel exudes a classy, contemporary ambiance, with an emphasis on comfort. There is a cigar bar, game room (with billiards) and restaurant.



The guestrooms are classically furnished and arranged over two floors. A Wi-Fi connection is included in all rooms. The junior suites and 18 rooms have priceless views of the Plaza; the other rooms overlook Cuba's coveted colonial city – a UNESCO Heritage Site – with the imposing mountains of the Sierra del Escambray in the background.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

- Remember your Passport.
- Confirm air 24 hours prior to flight time. You can complete on line check in at this time as well.
- Upon arrival in CUBA locate your Representative for transfer service to your hotel if applicable.
- Work with you local guide for \$ to Peso exchange
- Before leaving for a foreign country, you should contact your credit card company to make them aware that you will be making purchases outside of the United States to avoid having your card frozen for suspicious activity.
- When using a credit card in a foreign country you may be charged a transaction fee.
- When in a foreign country your mobile phone may or may not receive coverage and when in use you may be charged a roaming fee. Prior to departure check with your service company for your plan information.
- We recommend that you do not use the mini bars inasmuch as their prices are very high. However, if you do choose to use the mini bars or make personal, local, or long distance phone calls, or charge any other incidentals to your room, we ask that you settle those charges upon your check-out.
- Tipping: We are frequently asked about tipping. Tips for the driver and local guide(s) are not included and are up to each individual as to what they want to tip. We recommend \$5 per day per person for driver/guide services. Porter tips are \$1 per bag, Maid service at \$2 per room night, 10% in restaurants.
- Services are contracted and paid for in advance and there will be no refunds if not used.
- Confirm excursion times with tour representative if applicable
- Limited Internet services are available. Fees may apply
- Please use in room safes for items of value. We recommend leaving passports, iPods, hand held games, etc. in the safe. Condor Tours & Travel and Condor Outfitters are not responsible for lost or stolen valuables.

REQUIREMENTS FOR U.S. CITIZENS TO ENTER CUBA - TOURIST TRAVEL

- U.S. Passport must be valid 3 months beyond intended stay
- Required to hold travel insurance to cover medical expenses while in Cuba and must be purchased at point of origin – we have included their insurance but recommend additional US company
- Tickets and Documents for return or onward travel
- Tourist Card max 30 days – will be provide in MIA to you as part of your package
- Cuban Departure Tax \$25 payable at Miami Airport prior to departure

Each client is responsible for obtaining the proper documentation and vaccinations to enter the country (ies) they are planning to visit prior to travel. It is important to remember to contact the airline directly at least 24 hours prior to departure to verify you have the most up-to-date details incase of a schedule change or flight delays and luggage restrictions.

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