

Cuba 05 nights / 06 days

Day 01 Havana

Arrive Havana, hotel transfer, overnight Havana.

Day 02 Havana



Plaza de Armas

Hotel breakfast, walking tour of **La Habana**, we recommend wearing comfortable shoes, highlights include **Catedral San Cristobal de la Habana**, **Palacio de los Marqueses de Aguas Claras** and the **Plaza de Armas**.

See the exterior of **Museo de la Revolucion** and **Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes**. Enjoy a cool drink in the shade prior to visiting **Saint Francis of Assisi Square**.

Explore **Malecón**, a gorgeous seaside esplanade, **Revolution Square**, **Central Park**, **Opera House**, **Capitol Building**, the former **Bacardi Building**, and the former **Presidential Palace**.

Your guide shall drive you around in an iconic classic car, a true novelty; your chauffeur will take you to the stunning neighborhood of **Miramar** and the famous **Colon Cemetery**. Head to **Hotel Nacional** for a drink and a wonderful view of the Malecón at sun set. Enjoy a cocktail at **La Terraza Bar**; visit one of our favorite family run restaurants **Café Laurent** in Havana Vedado.



Hotel Nacional

Hotel transfer, overnight stay.

Day 03 Havana – Santa Clara – Trinidad

Enjoy breakfast in the comfort of your hotel, private transfer to Santa Clara; learn about Che Guevara the Cuban Revolution during your private tour.

Continue to the sun drenched streets of Trinidad, a living museum, stuck in the time of Cuba's War of Independence; modern intrusions are a rare sight, after your induction walk around the town your guide will make a number of suggestions regarding the best optional activities.



Plaza Mayor

Walk across the cobbled streets, admire the colonial architecture and visit the **Plaza Mayor** (Central Square) where you will also find Trinidad's **Casa de la Musica** where you can enjoy some salsa dancing or some liquid courage in the form of a reasonably priced mojito.

Hotel transfer, overnight Trinidad.

Day 04 Trinidad

Breakfast at hotel, tour begins with panoramic views of the **Valle de Los Ingenios**, a *UNESCO World Heritage Site*, this valley near Trinidad that was once the focal point of Cuba's sugar production. There are dozens of disused sugar mills, slave quarters and manor houses.

You will be escorted to the steep, pine-coated slopes of the **Guamuhaya Mountains**, known as the **Sierra del Escambray**, home to some of the most spectacular scenery in Cuba. Continue to **Playa Ancon**, a previous ribbon of white beach on Sancti Spiritus iridescent Caribbean shoreline.

In the evening your guide shall recommend a restaurant for dinner and music venues should you like, evening hotel transfer, overnight Trinidad.



Playa Ancon

Day 05 Trinidad - Cienfuegos – Havana



Cienfuegos

Enjoy breakfast at hotel; visit **Cienfuegos** on your way back to Havana, the French influence is rather obvious when you look at the architecture that will surround you. Cienfuegos is more preserved than other Cuban cities since it was generally bypassed by pirates in favor of larger targets.

Your guide will lead you on an exploration of the wide streets and promenades, ending at the ocean where you'll enjoy a cocktail at the city's **Palacio de Valle**.

After lunch, take a short drive to **the Bay of Pigs**, where the US attempted an ultimately unsuccessful takeover of Cuba with an army of Cuban exiles. The area's brutal history is a stark contrast to its current peace and beauty, and you will have a look at just what happened here in the fascinating **local museum** dedicated to the events.

Evening hotel transfer, overnight Havana.

Day 06 Havana

Breakfast at hotel, tour begins with **Rum Museum**, housed in a grand former Palace. Continue with **Hotel Conde de Villanueva**, an 18th century mansion in the heart of the city housing one of the most popular cigar shops in town. Watch a cigar roller '*torcedor*' at work while enjoying a delicious Cuban coffee.



Callejon de Hamel

Visit **El Floridita** which contains a life size statue of Noble prize winning American writer Ernest Hemingway, savor a refreshing daiquiri before moving on to the **Partagas Cigar Factory** to learn more about the cultural significance of Cuban cigars.

Head to **Callejon de Hamel**; a brightly colored alleyway in Central Havana where many established local artists display their work. Your private tour will take you to various studios to watch the artists at work and learn of their influences. Your guide can arrange for tickets and transfers to the **Tropicana Cabaret** in the Marianao neighborhood should you like; this iconic venue has been delighting crowds since the late 30's.

Evening hotel transfer, overnight Havana.