

CUBA EXPERIENCE

People-To-People Educational Experience to Cuba



SMALL
GROUP
ADVENTURE



9 DAYS • 18 MEALS

2017 Departure Dates:

January 22; February 5, 19, 26; March 5, 12, 19; April 2, 23, 30;
May 7, 21; October 8, 22; November 5


MayflowerTours[™]
Life Enriching Experiences

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Charm abounds in Cienfuegos

The Mayflower Way

- ✓ 18 Meals (4 dinners, 6 lunches and 8 breakfasts)
- ✓ Travel aboard a deluxe, air-conditioned, lavatory-equipped motorcoach
- ✓ Four and five-star, air-conditioned lodging throughout
- ✓ Many People To People interactions, which will immerse us in the culture and history of Cuba and its people
- ✓ Several meals at Cuban paladars. These are privately-owned and operated restaurants which have only been allowed by the Cuban government in the past few years. Dine in the homes of these proud business people - and interact with their families and employees, many times watching the meals being prepared in the kitchens of these paladars.
- ✓ You will be "sight-doing" throughout your visit. Talk to artists as they create their works of art; ride in an antique car; and open your mind to another way of life.

DAY ONE – Home to Miami

Travel from your home town to Miami, Florida, where we meet our fellow People-To-People participants at the hotel. Our program begins at 6:00pm with an orientation session. We will hear from an expert about U.S.-Cuba relations and the impact it has had on both countries. There is also paperwork and documentation that we fill out together in anticipation of our visit to Cuba.

DAY TWO – Miami to Santa Clara, Cuba

Transfer from the hotel to Miami International Airport for our flight to Cuba. You will be amazed that a country so remarkably different than America is less than an hours flying time away. Upon arrival in Santa Clara, Cuba, our home for the next three nights, we have our first taste of local culture with a brief walking tour of the town prior to checking in to our hotel. Dinner is included this evening. [\(Breakfast and dinner\)](#)

DAY THREE – Cienfuegos

Today we journey to the town of Cienfuegos. Upon arrival, visit a cigar factory where we interact with the employees and learn about this local craft. During the walking tour, we visit the Thomas Terry Theatre and learn about shopping in Cuba. Our local guide will explain about the different types of stores and availability of products. Lunch is included at a local paladar before returning to our hotel in Santa Clara. [\(Breakfast and lunch\)](#)

DAY FOUR – Santa Clara

During our discovery of Santa Clara, we'll enjoy a performance by a children's choir or a theater performance, and we have the opportunity to meet the performers and director. Lunch is included at a local paladar then it's our turn to perform as we join in a Danzon lesson to learn this traditional dance. Before leaving Santa Clara, we make a stop at the Che Guevara Memorial and Mausoleum then return to our hotel for a free evening. [\(Breakfast and lunch\)](#)

DAY FIVE – Travel to Havana

Departing Santa Clara, we travel to Havana with a stop in Jaguey Grande to visit a farm and enjoy lunch at a paladar in a unique rural setting. Upon arrival in Havana, a visit to the Hotel Nacional awaits as we walk around the grounds of this famous hotel where so many of Hollywood's elite actors and actresses previously visited. Viewing the 'wall of fame' in the hotel's bar will surely bring back memories of Hollywood's golden age. After checking into our hotel, dinner is included this evening. [\(Breakfast, lunch and dinner\)](#)

DAY SIX – Havana

This morning is spent getting a taste of local life in Havana. We begin with a visit to a local artist studio where we see his handiwork and have the chance to speak with him about his talent and occupation. We gain a better understanding of elderly care in Havana as we speak with the doctors and nuns who provide this care at a local facility. Lunch is included at a paladar before returning to the hotel. This evening, a young couple opens their home to us as we learn about life in Cuba today. Dinner is in-



Enjoy an authentic Cuban lunch at a Paladar



Enjoy a show at the world-renowned Tropicana Nightclub

cluded at a local paladar before we attend the show at the world-renowned Tropicana Nightclub. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner)

DAY SEVEN – Old Havana

Meet with a local historian for a most enlightening walk through Old Havana as we learn about its restoration works and future plans. Before discovering Hemingway's Cuba this afternoon, we'll pass one of his favorite hangouts in Havana, La Floridita. After an included lunch at a paladar, depart to discover Ernest Hemingway's contribution to Cuba with our excursion through the village of C  jimar (setting for *The Old Man and the Sea*) and the exploration of the grounds of his house, Finca Vigia, in the country. Upon returning to Havana, our visit to the Angeles del Futuro Community Program For Children, exposes us to this after-school program that teaches children gymnastics and acrobatics. The talent, dedication and enthusiasm of the children is inspiring to all. Tonight, experience a performance of traditional Cuban music by the Cuban Institute of Music and take advantage of our opportunity to interact with the musicians and staff. The evening is free for dinner, and those who wish can attend the Cannon Firing Ceremony at Caba  a Castle. (Breakfast and lunch)

DAY EIGHT – Havana Touring and Antique Car Ride

Immerse yourself in Cuban cinema during an interactive discussion with one of Cuba's most important movie directors. Next



we depart on a panoramic tour of Havana with overviews of the city, featuring the Plaza de la Revoluci  n, the Capitol, the Malecon and the Vedado neighborhood. Meet and mingle with the artisans of the San Jos   Craft Market, with time to shop for indigenous arts and crafts. Following lunch at a local paladar, visit the Muraleando Community Project involving the arts and the entire community. This evening, we're in for a special treat as a fleet of antique cars meets us at our hotel. We have time to inspect the cars, talk shop with their owners, and find out just how they manage to keep their cars running without replacement parts available to them. Cuba has an estimated 66,000 cars in operation that are from the 1950s and 1960s! We then travel in style in these restored antique cars to our farewell dinner. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner)

DAY NINE – Havana to Miami

We take our short flight back to Miami mid-morning with time to catch connecting flights*. Connecting flights should depart Miami after 3:30pm. Memories of one of the most unique excursions you could ever take will reside with you for years to come. (Breakfast)

**Subject to flight schedules*



Meet local artisans at the San Jos   Artisans' Market



Ride in a classic car in Havana

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Spend four nights in Cuba's historic capital of Havana

2017 DEPARTURES	PER PERSON TWIN	SINGLE ROOM ADD
January 22	\$4,759	\$2,089
February 5, 19, 26	\$4,759	\$2,089
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Please add \$499 per person for round trip airfare between Miami and Cuba, and mandatory health insurance while in Cuba as required by the Cuban government.
Please add \$85 per person for Cuban Visa.



**Call for air rates and schedules
between your city and Miami, Florida**
Post tour overnight accommodations in Miami are available.
Call for rates and availability.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1** **2** **3** **4** **5** **ENERGETIC**

FOR RESERVATIONS OR INFORMATION CONTACT:

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Day One – Hilton Garden Inn Airport West, Miami, FL

Days Two through Four – Santa Clara, Cuba

Days Five through Eight – Melia Cohiba, Havana, Cuba

Hotels and itinerary are subject to change based on availability and flight schedule.

Payment Schedule:

Listed below is a schedule of deposit and final payment due dates. Please note that the first category includes an optional Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) which is to be paid within five business days after your reservation. Please call us for details on the Travelers Protection Plan.

Deposit Schedule:

Tour with Domestic and Cuban Air	Deposit Per Person	Final payment
With TPP Coverage	\$899	90 Days
Without TPP Coverage	\$400	90 Days
Tour with Cuban Air Only	Deposit Per Person	Final payment
With TPP Coverage	\$799	90 Days
Without TPP Coverage	\$400	90 Days

Refund and Cancellation Policy

Should you choose not to purchase our Travelers Protection Plan, the following per person cancellation amounts will be charged:

- 91 days or more prior to departure date – Deposit amount is non-refundable
- 90 days or less prior to departure date – 100% of the tour cost
- No refund on unused portions of the tour

Exclusions: Mayflower Tours reserves the right to alter its refund and cancellation policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Tours.



Passport & Visas

Each U.S. citizen must have a valid passport. Expiry date of passports should be at least 6 months after the return date of the tour. If you don't have a passport, call our office and we'll tell you how to apply for one. A travel visa is required for entry into Cuba for U.S. citizens and is included in the cost of the program. Holders of non-U.S. passports or anyone born in Cuba who is a U.S. citizen have different entry requirements. Please contact our office for entry requirements **BEFORE** making your reservation. NOTE: Due to airline security measures, your passport name must match your airline ticket name and your tour reservation name or you may be denied aircraft boarding.

