



Pearl of the Caribbean

7 Nights



Summary

There are very few countries in the world as walk and immediately evocative as Cuba. There is much to see and do in this beautiful country, you can visit fascinating museums such as the Museum of the Revolution richly and the Bay of Pigs Museum, walk around the charming small towns, and admire the beautiful natural surroundings. For more entertaining activities, you can go for salsa dancing, clubbing, bars and cigar factory tours.

Overview

Interest: group - family couple

Level of Comfort: 5/5

Minimum # of passengers: none

Maximum # of passengers: none

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Day 1: Havana

Welcome at Jose Marti Airport where you will be transferred to your accommodation in Havana for your overnight stay.

Day 2: Havana

After breakfast we will depart for a detailed guided sightseeing tour of Havana. A unique experience, the tour will visit all the major sights of the city including the historic Plaza de Armas and Plaza de la Cathedral. We can absorb the atmosphere of the narrow cobblestone streets of Old Havana, flanked by old colonial buildings dating back as far as the 16th Century.

We will visit the impressive Museum of the Revolution and stop at the Havana Club Rum Museum where there may be the chance to sample the different rums.

A panoramic tour of El Morro fortress will follow, which offers beautiful view of Havana Bay.

Lunch will be taken at Local restaurant situated in a beautiful location overlooking the historic Cathedral Square in the heart of Old Havana, before continuing to the impressive Revolution Square overlooked by the mural of Ernesto "Che" Guevara with the tour ending with a drive along the "Malecon", Havana's seafront promenade. The remainder of the day will be at leisure to enjoy exploring Old Havana or relax by the hotel pool!

In the evening dinner will be taken at restaurant Casa Espanola, a castle-like mansion with stained glass windows representing various regions of the country.

After dinner we will enjoy the Tropicana Cabaret show, Cuba's oldest and most famous cabaret show, known as the 'Paradise under the Stars', opened first in 1931.

Day 3: Havana - Santa Clara – Trinidad

After breakfast we will journey east through the sugar plantations to the city of Santa Clara, the final resting place of "Che Guevara". On arrival we will visit the mausoleum and the museum dedicated to his extraordinary life, followed by a short orientation tour of the city including the train "Tren Blindado" that was attacked in the decisive moments of the Cuban Revolution.

After lunch in a local hotel we will continue through the Escambray Mountains to Trinidad a UNESCO heritage site and one of the best-preserved colonial cities in the world.

Overnight in Trinidad and dinner will be at a local restaurant close to the Town centre.

Day 4: Trinidad

After a leisurely breakfast, we will explore Trinidad visiting either Palacio de Cantero or History Museum, followed by a visit to La Canchanchara, an old house dating back to the 18th Century, where we can try the unique Trinidad rum and sugar cane juice cocktail. Lunch will be taken at a local restaurant and there will also be some time to explore the historic city independently.

Dinner this evening will be taken in the hotel restaurant.

Day 5: Cienfuegos

After breakfast, we will continue our tour to Cienfuegos, city known as 'Perla del Sur' ('Pearl of the South') due to its large boulevards, fascinating buildings and spectacular views over the bay. We will visit the city admiring the Neoclassical structures, some dating from 1815, and the Tomas Terry Theatre, a sumptuously colonial theatre. Lunch will be at Nautical Club restaurant, a beautiful restaurant with amazing views of the bay.

The rest of the day will be free to walk around the city or enjoy the swimming pool at your hotel.

Dinner will be held at Palacio del Valle

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Day 6: Pinar Del Rio - Vinales

Today we will be departing for Pinar Del Rio province, an area known throughout the world as Cuba's main tobacco growing region, where steep sided "Mogote" mountains stand guard over fertile valleys. En route we will stop at Guama where we will take a boat through the mangrove swamps to a replica stilted Taino Indian village on the shores of Treasure Lake. Lunch will be taken in a local countryside restaurant.

Tour will continue to Vinales, where we will overnight in Casa Particular's (Spanish for 'private house'). These are normally run by the Cuban family and will be a chance to really experience Cuba and interact with the locals. Each Casa Particular is different and as they are small, the group will be split across different Casa Particulars. Dinner is arranged in a local restaurant.

Day 7: Vinales

Today we will visit for the famous Vinales Valley, with stops for absorbing the beauty of the area.

We will experience how Cuba's famous cigars are still handmade by local experts by visiting one of Pinar Del Rio's famous Cigar Factories

There will be a subterranean boat ride through the El Indio limestone cave system followed by lunch in the Ranchon San Vicente countryside restaurant. In the late afternoon, we will return our Vinales casas to relax in the patio or socialize with the local family. Dinner will be provided at your local casa

Day 8: Las Terrazas - Havana

After breakfast, we will depart to Las Terrazas community, situated in the foothills of the Sierra del Rosario Ecological Reserve, for lunch in one of their specialized restaurants. After lunch we will transfer back to Havana for your return flights or Havana hotel or onwards to Varadero where the tour ends.

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