

CUBA CULTURAL VOYAGE (7 NIGHT)

Experience the captivating history and heritage of Cuba on this 7 to 10-night, round trip, Cuban Cultural Voyage. From the historically significant capital city of Havana to the quaint mountainside villages complete with neoclassical style homes, youll engage first hand with the local tradespeople, artists, musicians and historians to share your experiences and get their unique perspective into what makes Cuba so fascinating. Your journey will include stops at intriguing museums, national parks, art studios and architecturally significant homes. Throughout your experience, an onboard Cuban educator will provide rich stories and facts that highlight the proud heritage and history of the Cuban people. Youll learn the history behind the Cuban traditions and interact with locals willing to share their knowledge. We are living in a historical moment where the U.S. and Cuba are recasting their relationship. The opening presents intriguing possibilities. Changes in the U.S. Regulations have made it possible to offer these unique people to people experiences in unforgettable destinations. We are excited to offer this opportunity to delve into Cuba through our cultural exchange voyages. Our people to people exchange will be centered around several UNESCO World Heritage Sites, including Old Havana and its Fortification System, San Pedro de la Roca Castle, Santiago de Cuba, Trinidad and the Valley de los Ingenios, Urban Historic Centre of Cienfuegos and Alejandro de Humboldt National Park.



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Day 1 - Miami, FL

Located on Floridas southeastern tip, Miami is a vibrant city with a medley of cultures. Take in Miamis colorful art deco architecture and its historic neighborhood communities. Youll be astounded by everything there is to do in Miami, from discovering Coconut Groves lush vegetation to visiting local cafes and cigar shops. Once youve experienced South Floridas beauty and energy, youll discover why Miami is known as the cruise capital of the world.

Day 2 - Caibarien, CU

Defined by its charm, travelers report that some of their best Cuban experiences come at ultra-friendly Caibarien, which is

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colorfully framed by its restored malecon sea wall and weather-lashed fishing fleet. Nine kilometers east of Remedios and 40km from the alluring Cayerias del Norte, the town is famous for having the best cangrejo (crab) in Cuba. Gorgeous pedestrian walkways can be found bordering city streets, adorned with statues, park benches, and small trees.

Day 3 - Matanzas

Located on Cubas North shore, sixty miles west of Havana, Matanzas earned the designation as the City of Bridges because of the 17 different bridges that span across the 3 rivers that traverse the city. The city is rooted in Afro-Cuban history and home to many artists, poets, historians and museums. Cultural diversity is celebrated as century-old traditions continue to be passed from one generation to another. This diversity has helped create various styles of music and dance, including danzon and rumba. The Teatro Sauto, a national monument, opened in 1863 and is a magnificent venue for Cuban plays, operas, symphonies, ballets and concerts.

Day 4 - Havana (Day 1)

The colorful capital of Cuba, Havana is a mesmerizing city with beautiful colonial edifices and a dramatic coastline. The core of the city is the UNESCO World Heritage site of Old Havana. Known for its architecturally impressive plazas and outstanding series of fortifications, Old Havana displays Cuban Culture at its finest. Old Havanas five plazas are home to churches, palaces, castles, monuments and markets that come together to create one of the most impressive historical city centers in the Caribbean basin. The complex defenses that once held off pirates are some of the oldest and largest colonial fortifications in the Americas, such as Castillo de la Real Fuerza which began construction in 1558.

Day 5 - Havana (Day 2)

The capital city of Havana is far too interesting to see it all in just one day! Well spend our second day continuing to explore everything that makes Havana one of the greatest capitals in the Caribbean Basin. Catedral de San Cristobal is one of the most beautiful churches in Havana. Plaza de Armas is where military drills once took place in the 16th century. Gran Teatro de la Havana, the Great Theater of Havana is famous for particularly for the acclaimed National Ballet of Cuba.

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Savannah has been welcoming visitors since 1733. Youll find amazing architecture and plenty to do. Stroll through Savannahs historic squares where youll find trendy shops and funky stores. Be sure to visit the Historic District, where one can find antique shops, art galleries, books, clothing, and gift stores. In 2002 Savannah was named Americas Most Haunted City by the American Institute of Parapsychology. This is why when strolling the streets you might start to notice a recurring color painted on the door frames, porches and window sills of many Savannah homes. The blue/green color, or Haint Blue, is not only aesthetically pleasing, but according to the Geechee/Gulla culture of the Lowcountry, has an important purpose to ward off evil spirits.

Day 7 - Return to Miami / Ft. Lauderdale

Your Cuba Cultural Voyage will return to Miami / Ft. Lauderdale for the end of your journey. Discuss your journey with new friends and reflect upon all of the wonderful things you have learned about the Cuban people and their culture as we set sail through the Florida Straight to return to the United States.

Day 8 - Disembark Miami / Ft. Lauderdale

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Enjoy breakfast aboard the Pearl Mist as we return to port in Miami / Ft. Lauderdale. You will arrive in Florida with a new perspective of Cuba and memories of several UNESCO World Heritage Sites that will last a lifetime. If you were unable to explore the vibrant Miami / Ft. Lauderdale region before embarking, or would just like a second day to see it all, your Cruise Director will help you make the most of your day in South Florida before the return trip home.

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YOUR SHIP: PEARL MIST

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VESSEL TYPE:	Small Ship
LENGTH:	105 m
PASSENGER CAPACITY:	210
BUILT/REFURBISHED:	2014

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Port Charges 210 USD pp

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