



CUBA TRAVEL ADVENTURES GROUP

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Havana Plus Nature Circuit Itinerary (6 days, 5 nights)



DAY 1

USA – Havana

Private Residence
(or Hotel option)

- Flights USA to Havana
- Airport greeting by Guide and Drive; transfer to Old Havana
- Enjoy snacks and drinks with people-watching at Plaza Vieja
- Begin guided art, architecture, cultural, history, photography walking tour of Old Havana with our Guide Specialist / Historian, visiting the four main plazas of Plaza Vieja, Plaza de las Armas, Plaza San Francisco and Plaza Catedral
- Lunch at café with University of Havana political science professor
- Continue walking tour of Old Havana, with visits to Parque Central, Museum of the Revolution and Havana Fine Arts Museum
- Dinner at paladar - dinner venues are culled from our short list of Cuba's top paladares ("Paladares" – private, family-run restaurants that have fueled rapid growth since 2008 in Cuba's middle class through entrepreneurship)
- Musical evening on the streets of Old Havana (or optional Tropicana Nightclub show)



DAY 2

Havana

Private Residence
(or Hotel option)

- Breakfast at lodging
- Salsa dance lesson
- Classic American car tour of greater Havana - 1 hour ending on the Malecon ("Embarcadero," Havana's social gathering place, with a brief walk to the iconic Hotel Nacional, HQ of the Cuban Revolution, home to the Mob, Mafia, international movie stars and glitterati through Havana's "Roaring '50's")
- Lunch at café
- Visit the Havana community of Jaimanitas for a walking tour through "Fusterlandia," neighborhood ceramic art project of "The Picasso of Cuba" Jose Fuster
- Dinner at paladar
- Evening of music and art at the world renown Fabrica de Arte Cubano



DAY 3

Havana - Viñales

Private Residence
(or Hotel option)

- Early breakfast at lodging
- Transfer to Viñales via the orchid gardens and river of the Soroa region
- Viewpoint of the Valley at Balcon de Valle
- Tour and lunch at a family-operated sustainable produce farm
- Horseback ride or hike through the mogotes (karst formations) of the Viñales Valley to visit tobacco plantation
- Tour Viñales town
- Check-in to lodging and free time
- Dinner at hilltop paladar



DAY 4

Viñales - Havana

Private Residence
(or Hotel option)

- Breakfast at lodging
- Boat ride through the Cueva del Indio
- Transfer back toward Havana via a visit to the UNESCO BIOSPHERE and agricultural community of Las Terrazas; walk in the Terrazas rainforest with resident naturalist, bird watching and zipline options available
- Sandwich & salad lunch at café
- Visit provocative artist's home art gallery
- Dinner at paladar
- Buena Vista Social Club show



DAY 5

Havana

Private Residence

- Breakfast at lodging
- Walk in the shoes of an average Cuban, visit rations store and local market
- Private cooking and mojito lesson followed by lunch
- Transfer to Callejon de Hamel, the Havana home of Cuba's predominant Santeria spiritual faith (akin to Haiti's Voodoo)
- Enjoy the Sunday-only Hamel street celebration featuring high-tempo percussion, dance and song
- Take a music lesson in traditional Cuban instruments or learn a Cuban rhythm in an instrument of your choosing
- Dinner at paladar
- Sunday-only late-night salsa dance frenzy and show on the Malecon at Club 1830



DAY 6

Havana - USA

- Breakfast at lodging
- Brief boat ride across the Harbor to deliver gifts of badly-needed OTC medical supplies and children's medicines to the community of Regla
- Lunch at café
- Airport transfer
- Farewell Cuba!

Note: This itinerary is only one example of an excellent six-day Cuba travel adventures with CTAG. We customize each and every itinerary based on our travelers' unique interests and are proud of our ability to create experiences off the beaten track that will leave indelible memories of your time in Cuba with us.