Cuba & its People

featuring the African Diaspora

Inspiring Moments

- Broaden your understanding of the profound influence of the African diaspora on Cuban life and culture.
- Connect with local experts, community leaders, musicians and artists during **Support the Cuban People visits**.
- Visit independently owned shops and restaurants to have meaningful discussions with entrepreneurial Afro-Cubans.
- Ride in an independently owned 1950s convertible along Havana’s Malecón.
- Discover the profound Afro-Cuban roots of Matanzas, Guanabacoa, and Regla.
- Tour a farm in Caimito and learn about the owner’s vision to help Cuban farmers.
- Encounter Havana’s vibrant jazz scene and burgeoning street art movement.
- Experience the thrill of Old Havana and its Fortification System, a **UNESCO World Heritage site**.

Open-air performance, Cathedral Square, Havana

**Itinerary**

| Day 1 | Depart Miami, FL | Arrive in Havana and transfer to hotel |
| Day 2 | Havana | Guanabacoa | Regla |
| Day 3 | Havana |
| Day 4 | Havana |
| Day 5 | Havana | Matanzas |
| Day 6 | Havana |
| Day 7 | Havana | Caimito |
| Day 8 | Havana | Transfer to airport and depart for Miami, FL |

**Note:** Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

**Activity Level:** We have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program’s physical expectations. Please call or visit our website for full details.

Explore Cuban culture through interaction with local Cuban residents, artists and artisans, musicians, writers and entrepreneurs, which will directly benefit and support the Cuban people. This exclusive program, developed by AHI Travel, is operated in accordance with a Support for the Cuban People general license established by the Treasury Department’s Office of Foreign Assets Control pursuant to 31 CFR section 515.674.

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**Accommodations** (with baggage handling)
- 7 nights in Havana, Cuba, at the first-class La Reserva Vedado, a privately owned boutique hotel.

**Flights and Transfers** (with baggage handling)
- Round-trip flights between Miami and Cuba and all deluxe motor coach transfers during the Land Program.

**Extensive Meal Program**
- 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 4 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus a local beverage with dinner.

**Your One-of-a-Kind Journey**
- Discovery excursions provide meaningful interactions with small business owners and individual Cuban residents.
- Expert-led Enrichment programs enhance your insight into the region.
- **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit.
  - Cuban visa.
  - Tipping of guides and drivers.

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**Discovery**

_Afro-Cuban Havana._ Join writer and activist Roberto Zurbano for a walking tour of Old Havana. Stop at Beyond Roots, an independent shop dedicated to highlighting Afro-Cuban culture, and meet the store’s founder. Travel to Guanabacoa, the center of Havana’s Afro-Cuban culture, followed by a lunch of tasty Afro-Cuban foods. Continue to the charismatic municipality of Regla, known for its storied traditions of Santería, Palo Monte and other Afro-Cuban religions, and see the Iglesia de Nuestra Señora de Regla. Finish off at the Christ of Havana statue.

_Vibrant Havana._ Delight in a cruise in a vintage convertible and talk with your friendly driver. Join an expert to tour Havana’s National Museum of Fine Arts focusing on work by Afro-Cuban artists. Then stroll along Callejón de Harlín, an alleyway with Santería statues, temples and murals, as well as facades inscribed with thoughts of Cuban icons and intellectuals. Cap off the day with a fun evening at a Havana jazz club.

**Cuban Art & the Ludwig Foundation.** Visit Casa Fuster, a wonderland of mosaic tile. Talk with an artist about his work and the opportunities for Cuban artists. Later, enjoy a reception and dinner at the philanthropic Ludwig Foundation of Cuba, dedicated to promoting Cuban artists. Engage with artists and learn about their artistic pursuits.

**Matanzas.** Delve into the cultural riches of Matanzas. Visit the San Severino Museum, a castle built in 1735 by slave labor. See objects and pictures illustrating slavery times and learn about the history of the slave trade and how Afro-Cuban culture is celebrated throughout the island in various expressions. This landmark is part of “The Slave Route: Resistance, Freedom, and Patrimony” project co-founded by UNESCO and Cuba. Also, visit the Sugar Mill Trinuvi Toro to see the Monument to the Slaves’ Rebellion.

**Cuban Dance & Norma Guillard.** Visit a contemporary dance studio for a look into Cuba’s infectious dance scene. Later, meet Norma Guillard, Cuban social psychologist and adjunct lecturer at the University of Havana. Listen to her stories about working with the Cuban Literacy Campaign as well as her work with women in low-income areas.

**Caimito & Afro-Cuban Dance.** Browse an agromercado, a street market selling fruits, vegetables and varieties of meats. Continue to Finca Marta, a farm started by agronomist Fernando Funes. Learn about Funes’ vision to transform the Cuban farming model by using resource-efficient artisanal farming methods and his goals for helping Cuban farmers make a living from their land. Later, meet with a group of Afro-Cuban dancers. You may even try a few steps yourself!

**Enrichment**

- Cuban Economy
- Empowering Cuban Women
- Race and the Cuban Revolution
- Cuban Justice System
- The Rhythms of Cuban Music

**UNESCO World Heritage**

1. Old Havana and its Fortification System

**AHI Sustainability Promise**

We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit, whenever possible.

**Environmental Impact** | Thoughtful choices to minimize our environmental footprint: eco-friendly transportation, guided walks in lieu of bus tours and less plastic waste.

**Social Impact** | Ongoing initiatives to support local businesses that employ and benefit people in the community. Curating meaningful experiences by staying in intimately sized locales instead of cities affected by overtourism.

**Economic Impact** | Community-based tourism using expert local guides and lecturers, plus program scheduling during quieter, “shoulder seasons.”

**AHI Travel Expertise**

Passenger Service Representative | Helps with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

Travel Director | Manages all details to ensure a memorable trip.

Travel Information | Prepares you fully for your journey.

Expert Local Guides and Lecturers | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service and share their passion for their country.

**Let us arrange your flights!**

**AHI FlexAir** | Our personalized air program features transfers, assistance and flexibility.

**DATES & PRICES**

**December 2-9, 2022**

Full Standard Room Price $5,045

Special Savings $250

Special Standard Room Price $4,795

The Junior Suite category is an additional $100 per person, the Deluxe Suite category is an additional $200 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and include round trip air service from Miami to Cuba. Single accommodations are not available on this program.

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