



# Havana

## The Afro-Cuban Experience

### Inspiring Moments

- Understand the profound influence of the **African diaspora** on Cuban culture.
- Connect with local experts, community leaders, musicians and artists during **People-to-People experiences**.
- Visit independently owned businesses to have meaningful discussions with **entrepreneurial Afro-Cubans**.
- Ride in a vintage **1950s convertible** along Havana's evocative Malecón.
- Discover the deep Afro-Cuban roots of **Matanzas, Regla and Guanabacoa**.
- Encounter Havana's vibrant **jazz scene** and burgeoning **street art movement**.
- Venture to rural Cuba to visit a **model socialist community**.
- Explore Old Havana and its Fortification System, a **UNESCO World Heritage site**.



### Itinerary

- Day 1** Depart Miami, FL | Arrive in Havana and transfer to hotel
- Day 2** Havana
- Day 3** Havana
- Day 4** Havana
- Day 5** Matanzas | Havana
- Day 6** Havana
- Day 7** Rural Cuba | Havana
- Day 8** Havana | Transfer to airport and depart for Miami, FL

**Note:** Itinerary may change due to local conditions. This exclusive program, developed by AHI Travel, is operated in accordance with a People-to-People general license established by the Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control pursuant to 31 CFR section 515.565. Our itinerary is designed to promote meaningful People-to-People contact and cultural exchange as well as foster educational dialogue with local Cuban residents, artists, musicians, writers and entrepreneurs.

### Included Features

- Accommodations** (with baggage handling)
  - **7 nights** in Havana, Cuba, at the first-class La Reserva Vedado, a privately owned boutique hotel.
- 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 one alcoholic drink with dinner.
- Your One-of-a-Kind Journey**
  - **Small group:** Sized just right at 12 guests.
  - **Enrichment by expert speakers** enhances your insight into the region.
  - **Engaging excursions** showcase the local culture, heritage and history.
  - **AHI Sustainability Promise** | Striving to make a positive impact wherever we travel.
  - Tipping of guides and drivers.
  - Cuban visa.

Above: Cuban jazz musician



## A World of Discovery

**Afro-Cuban Havana.** Join writer/activist Roberto Zurbarano as he shares secrets of Old Havana on a walking tour. Stop at Beyond Roots, an independent shop that highlights Afro-Cuban culture, and meet the store's founder. Continue to Regla, known for its storied traditions of Santería, Palo Monte and Afro-Cuban religions, and see the Church of Our Lady Regla. Visit Guanabacoa, the center of Havana's Afro-Cuban culture, for an intimate cultural experience with a Babalawo priest.

**Vibrant Havana.** Stroll along Callejón de Hamel, an alleyway with Santería statues, temples and murals, and experience their Sunday's Afro-Cuban performance. Next, an expert leads a thought-provoking tour that showcases Afro-Cuban art in Havana's National Museum of Fine Arts. Then, climb into one of Cuba's vintage convertibles for a memorable ride along the Malecón, Havana's evocative sea drive, followed by a visit to the historic Hotel Nacional.

**Cuban Arts & Culture.** Be welcomed to the Sephardic Hebrew Center and gain insight into Havana's Jewish community. Visit local dance company Malpaso to watch dancers rehearse and speak to them about their profession, dreams and expectations in Cuba. Later, gather on a terrace overlooking Havana to meet Wilfredo Benítez Munóz, Executive Director of the philanthropic Ludwig Foundation. Learn how it promotes contemporary Cuban artists and culture.

**Matanzas.** Travel to Cuba's epicenter of Afro-Cuban culture, where many slaves were brought from Africa. Here, visit with African cultural and artistic community groups and individuals with influences throughout the province. Hear a performance by a small chamber orchestra, Camerata Jose White. After lunch, visit the Sugar Mill Triunvirato to see the moving, Monument to the Slaves' Rebellion.

**Norma Guillard & Cuban Dance.** Meet Norma Guillard, a Cuban social psychologist and adjunct lecturer at the University of Havana and learn about her work with the Cuban Literacy Campaign. Visit women-owned shops in Old Havana that are re-purposing old paper goods and recycled leather scraps into products. Talk to female entrepreneurs about their experience and enjoy lunch at a female-owned cafe.

**Rural Cuba.** Enjoy the views of tobacco and sugarcane fields as you travel to visit Las Terrazas, a model socialist community, to learn about their conservation efforts. Also, visit and talk with the principal at a local school, stop at an artist's studio, and savor lunch of locally grown vegetables.



Above: Vintage automobiles, Havana

## Enrichment

- Cuban Economy
- Empowering Cuban Women
- Cuban Health Care
- Race and the Cuban Revolution
- Afro-Cuban Arts in Cuba
- The Rhythms of Cuban Music

**UNESCO World Heritage  
Old Havana and its Fortification  
System**

## Accommodations

La Reserva Vedado | Havana



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Special Savings	\$750

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