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Cultural Cuba Experience

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2024 Departure Dates: April 18; May 2; October 17; November 7


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Ride in a restored antique car



Visit Morro Castle in Havana

DAY 1 USA / Havana, Cuba: Depart the USA on your flight to Havana, Cuba. Upon arrival, you will be met at the airport by a local representative of Mayflower, assisted with arrival procedures, then transferred to the hotel. Your Tour Guide will be available at the hotel for any information you may need as you settle in for your visit to Havana.

DAY 2 Old Havana: The day is spent getting a taste of local life in Havana. During a walking tour, discover the four main squares of the city: San Francisco, Plaza de Armas, Plaza Vieja, and Cathedral Square, each well-known for historic importance, architectural beauty and / or social atmospheres. Your local guide will provide details of their significance to the city, and you'll have the chance to meet the local people when stopping at the various sites. While visiting the San José Craft Market, mix and mingle with the artisans and vendors, learn about their art and shop for indigenous handicrafts. A truly local experience awaits as you witness the process of making an authentic cigar with local entrepreneurs. Visit a private cigar shop to see how this ancient art is kept alive and is a major contributor to the local economy. Lunch is included at a paladar during today's excursion. This evening, you're in for a special treat as vintage American cars meet you at the hotel. Travel in style in these restored antique cars while enjoying a panoramic drive along the Malecón (coastal road and seawall), see the 18th-century University (oldest in the Caribbean), the Paseo del Prado and the Capitol building. Chat with the driver and find out how they manage to keep their cars running without replacement parts available to them! Arrive at the paladar for dinner where you can relax as you enjoy the warm hospitality provided by the staff and get to know them a bit as you dine. **Meals: B, L, D**

DAY 3 Havana / Cójimar: A visit to the Fine Arts Museum in Havana begins the day. See some of its exhibits and meet with the staff to learn about Cuban art projects and their importance to society. Depart for the village of San Francisco de Paula on an excursion to the Hemingway Museum. Learn about his life, work, love of Cuba and contributions to the country as you explore the grounds of his house, Finca Vigia. Continue to Cójimar where lunch is provided at a local paladar in the town that inspired him to write his Pulitzer Prize-winning novel, *The Old Man and the Sea*. Returning to Havana, a guided visit to the Hotel Nacional awaits. Stroll through this famous hotel where so many of Hollywood's elite actors and actresses previously visited. Viewing the 'wall of fame' in the hotel's bar will surely bring back memories of Hollywood's golden age. This evening, dinner is included at a paladar. **Meals: B, L, D**

DAY 4 Havana: More sites in this historic city are seen today, starting with Morro Castle, a spectacular, strategically built monument with an amazing history. Your local guide will teach you about the architecture, design, and its importance in protecting the city from pirates. Magnificent views of the city and harbor also await. Visit a neighborhood community project that focuses on teaching skills to the younger generation – anything from dance to sports to music. Learn how these activities play such an important role in changing the lives of the children. After lunch at a paladar, attend an interactive and cultural exchange with dancers when visiting a dance studio. Talk with the teacher and students, see how the Cuban Salsa is done, and learn how to do this dance yourself! This evening, dinner is held at a local paladar for your immersion into local culture, dining on local cuisine and mingling with the staff. **Meals: B, L, D**



Witness the art of traditional pottery-making

DAY 5 Havana / Trinidad: It's time to depart Havana and journey by coach to the colonial city of Trinidad. En route, visit the town of Cienfuegos. A walking tour around the center of the town showcases its historic and architectural sites as well as affording the opportunity to interact with residents and vendors who are happy to share their stories of a quiet lifestyle. While visiting the Tomás Terry Theatre, declared a national monument, see its ornate interior with Carrara marble, hand-carved wooden flooring, gold-leaf mosaics, and ceiling frescos. After lunch at a paladar, continue to Trinidad for dinner at the hotel and the final two nights of the program. **Meals: B, L, D**

DAY 6 Trinidad: The final day in Cuba begins with a guided walking tour to explore Trinidad. Stroll along the cobblestone streets of the well-preserved historic center and witness the grand buildings in the Plaza Mayor, the main square of the city. Stop in and visit the locals in their shops, and see the bell tower of the Convento de San Francisco, which overlooks the square. Sip on a local drink at La Canchánchara Bar while listening to and learning about Cuban music and traditional rhythms. At the ceramic studio of Chichi Santander, you will be taught about the art of pottery-making and the traditional methods used to create their ceramic pieces of art. Return to the hotel for an included lunch and some free time. Your Tour Guide will be available to offer suggestions on independent afternoon activities, like visiting the nearby village to meet the local fishermen and hear their 'tall tales'! This evening, the farewell dinner is held in one of the city's most popular paladars.

Meals: B, L, D



Tour Highlights

- 16 Meals: 6 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 5 dinners
- Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises and Tours
- Travel aboard a deluxe, air-conditioned motorcoach
- Five-star, air-conditioned lodging
- Interaction with locals throughout the journey
- Immersion into the culture and history of Cuba and its people
- Many meals at Cuban paladars – privately operated restaurants by proud business owners
- Speak with local artisans as they create their art work
- Visit a dance studio and learn the Cuban Salsa
- Ride in a vintage car
- Discover another way of life in a country only 90 miles from the U.S.A.

DAY 7 Trinidad / Santa Clara / USA : Bid 'adiós' to Cuba as you depart for the airport in Santa Clara for your flight home. Memories of a unique journey to Cuba and the warm hospitality of its people will be cherished for years to come. **Meal: B**

Itinerary is subject to change.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 1 through 4 – Grand Aston, Havana, Cuba

Days 5 and 6 – Melia Peninsula, Trinidad, Cuba

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Spend two nights in the colonial village of Trinidad

2024 Departures	Per Person Twin	Single Room add
April 18	\$2,799	+ \$699
May 2	\$2,799	+ \$699
October 17	\$2,799	+ \$699
November 7	\$2,799	+ \$699

Please add \$85 per person for visa fee

Call for air rates and schedules from your city to Havana, returning from Santa Clara, Cuba.

Visa is required for this program.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



NOTE: Mandatory health insurance for Cuba is included in the cost of the airline ticket when issued by a U.S. carrier. Mayflower does not offer any additional type of insurance for this program. Additional coverage can be secured independently through other travel insurance companies providing coverage for Cuba.

Cancellation Charges

Cancellation Charges	Deposit Amount
• 91 days or more	100% of tour cost
• 90 days or less	100% of tour cost
• Early departure from tour	100% of tour cost
• No refund on unused portions of the tour	

Exclusions: Mayflower Cruises & Tours reserves the right to alter its refund and cancellation policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Cruises & Tours.

FOR RESERVATIONS OR INFORMATION CONTACT:

ADULT CUSTOMIZED TOURS INC. (A.C.T.)

555 So. Sunrise Way, Palm Springs CA 92264 tel. (760) 322-1247

Reservation Request

Seven days, May 2-18, 2024

Cultural Cuba Experience \$2799^{ppdo} Land-only price

- \$2799 per person, double occupancy. Seven-day/six-night vacation includes comprehensive sightseeing with interactive and cultural exchanges between artists and local Cubans. Sixteen meals including six breakfasts, five dinners and five lunches. First class and deluxe hotel accommodations. Professional tour director, hotel baggage handling, comfortable air-conditioned motorcoach. Airport transfers in Havana when booked through A.C.T. Not included: Roundtrip airfare from Miami to Cuba (Havana and back from Santa Clara) \$450, or from Palm Springs to Cuba (\$750, via Miami). Single Supplement: \$699.

Please reserve space for the following person(s):

Full Passport Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Date(s) of

Birth: _____

Telephone _____ Cell phone number: _____ Emergency contact/number: _____

Single Supplement \$699 _____ Email Address _____ Roommate: _____

Airfare from Palm Springs \$750 _____ Airfare from Miami \$450 _____

TO SECURE YOUR SPACE AT THIS MOST ADVANTAGEOUS RATE, PLEASE REMIT YOUR CREDIT CARD NUMBER OR CHECK OF \$500 PER PERSON PAYABLE TO A.C.T. TRUST ACCOUNT WITH THIS FORM TO ADULT CUSTOMIZED TOURS: 555 SO. SUNRISE WAY SUITE 219, PALM SPRINGS, CA. 92264. A.C.T. IS REGISTERED WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA (CST # 2008505-40) AS A WHOLESALE SELLER OF TRAVEL. PRICES REFLECT A 5% DISCOUNT FOR BALANCES PAID WITH CASH OR CHECK. FINAL PAYMENTS MADE BY CREDIT CARD ADD 5%.

NOTE: FOR YOUR PROTECTION, WE RECOMMEND TRIP CANCELLATION INSURANCE. WE WILL SEND POLICY AND DETAILS WITH YOUR RESERVATION RECEIPT AND STATEMENT.

GENERAL INFORMATION AND CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS, PAYMENT AND CANCELLATIONS:

A deposit of \$500 per person is required at the time of booking. *All cancellations are subject to a \$500 per person penalty and A.C.T. administrative fee. Final balance is due March 25, 2024.* Cancellations made after that will be penalized full deposit plus any additional fees levied by airlines, ground operators, and A.C.T. in accordance with their regulations, penalties, and out of pocket expenses (non-refundable deposits, telephone calls, cables, etc.). *Late final payment subject to immediate cancellation of reservation; reinstatement subject to availability and price increase.*

HOTELS: Per person prices are based on two persons sharing a room with private facilities at Superior First Class hotels listed or equivalent, featuring four nights in Havana and two in Trinidad. Single supplement: \$699

INCLUDED: 16 meals (6 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 5 dinners); airport transfers when air is booked through A.C.T. and its affiliate Mayflower Tours & Cruises; air-conditioned motor coach; first class and deluxe lodging; immersion in Cuba with its people, culture, and artists; special meals at Cuban paladars (private restaurants with proud owners); visit a dance studio and learn the Cuban Salsa; ride in a vintage car; follow Hemingway's footsteps.

NOT INCLUDED: Roundtrip air on American Airlines or other major carrier using regularly-scheduled flights from Miami (MIA) or Palm Springs (PSP). Optional tours, if any, not included in program. Gratuities to guides and bus drivers. Any meals, snacks and beverages including wines, liquors, and mineral waters which are **not** included in program. Items of a personal nature; travel insurance. Excess fuel surcharges or increased charges if assessed by airlines and air deviations. Vaccinations if required, or virus testing. **\$85 Tourist visa (A.C.T. will assist in processing).**

DOCUMENTS: In case of human or computer error, A.C.T. reserves the right to re-invoice for the correct price or service. A.C.T. Inc. cannot and will not be responsible for any delay, damage and/or loss, including missed portions of the programs, which are a result of passengers losing/not having proper documents. ***It is imperative that the name you intend to present at the airport appears on this reservation form! Six months or more before passports expire must remain when you return to the U.S.***

RESPONSIBILITY: Adult School Travel and Adult Customized Tours (A.C.T.) Inc., 555 So. Sunrise Way, Suite 219, Palm Springs, Ca. 92264 and their agents, including Mayflower Tours and Cruises--shall act merely as intermediaries between national and international travel operators and passengers in making arrangements for any services including airlines, cruise lines, hotels, transportation, restaurants; and does not assume any liability whatsoever for any injury, damage, death, loss, accident, or delay to person or property due to an act of negligence or of default of any hotel, cruise and airline company, carrier, restaurant, company or person rendering any of the services included in the tour, or by any act of terrorism or by animal or by God, including disease and viruses. Passengers are responsible for obtaining proper and valid government documents ie. passports/visas. Furthermore, no responsibilities are accepted for any damage, delay, or re-routings due to sickness, pilferage, labor disputes, machinery breakdown, quarantine, government restraints, *force majeure*, weather or any causes beyond its personal control. No responsibility is accepted for any additional expense, omissions, delays, re-routings or acts of any government or authority. A.C.T. is held blameless and airlines, ship, train or bus lines concerned are not to be held responsible for changes in schedules or gateways, or any act, omission, or event during the time passengers are not on board their planes or conveyance. The passage contract in use by the airlines and cruise companies concerned when issued shall constitute the sole contract between transportation providers and the purchases of this trip and/or passenger. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this contract or the breach thereof shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the Uniform Rules for Better Business Bureau Arbitration, and the judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. The payment for a reservation on the trip shall constitute consent to all provisions in the General Information and Conditions as published herein. ***Costs herein are based on prices in effect at the time of printing and, while unlikely, are subject to change without notice.***

My signature below and/or payment by check or credit card (including phone order) indicates I have read and agree to the above terms and conditions and wish to be included on the trip. My deposit in the amount of \$500.00 per person is enclosed, or credit card information provided.

Signature (1st person) _____ Date: _____

Signature (2nd person) _____ Date: _____

By signing, I understand that after initial deposit by credit card, use of any credit card will nullify the cash discount reflected in A.C.T.'s program price and an added 5% will be added to the final balance.

Name of cardholder _____ Card type (VISA, Discover, MasterCard)

Card number _____ Expiration date _____

Card security # _____