



# Globe Treks

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## Cuba: A Cultural Odyssey

**November 1 - 8, 2025**

**\$8,350 per guest (double) \$9,650 per guest (single)**



### **Tour includes:**

- 2 nights in Miami at Hyatt Regency Coral Gables
- 5 nights in Havana at Grand Aston La Habana
- Round trip air
- Cultural exchange activities
- All meals, full menu where available
- All attractions, guides & activities
- Escorted by Globe Treks tour manager
- Home pickup service & luggage handling
- Tour limited to 15 guests

*(Prices and itinerary subject to change)*



### **Discover the Heart of Cuba**

Meet face-to-face with local residents from different professions, share thoughts, gain knowledge, and connect with Cuba's cultural heritage as you discover the traditions of Cuban culture through music, sports, and more!

Through cultural exchange activities built around key themes including Cuban culture and the arts, history, architecture, agriculture, cigars, vintage cars, baseball, and more, you'll interact directly with the people of Cuba. Meet Cuban students, educators, entrepreneurs, architects, artists and artisans, dancers, musicians, technicians, baseball players and coaches, and more. Explore Ernest Hemingway's life in Cuba at his preserved home and discuss art and private enterprise with artists in their studios.

Visit with agricultural workers to talk about agrarian reform, tobacco production, and organic farming. Interact with members of Havana organizations about their work, from dance to historic preservation to baseball. Learn about Cuban cultural traditions, have meals at paladares (small, privately operated Cuban restaurants), and connect with the people of Cuba, their passions, and their culture in many ways through unique experiences.

# Cuba Day by Day Itinerary

**Day 1 (Nov 1) Departure:** Pick up at your door. Fly **Miami to Cuba** A Globe Treks representative will pick you up at your door (WNC residents) and whisk you to Charlotte for a non stop flight to Miami. Unpack for two nights in the deluxe Hyatt Regency Coral Gables. We will have a wonderful welcome dinner this evening enabling you to get to know your fellow tour guests.  
**ACCOMODATIONS: Hyatt Regency Coral Gables, Florida**

**Day 2 (Nov 2) City Tour of Miami & Biscayne Bay Cruise:** After a delicious breakfast, it's time to feel the ocean breeze and enjoy the sights and sounds and unique history of cosmopolitan Miami. Our morning tour will include historic South Beach, Wynwood Walls, Little Havana, Downtown and some of Miami's most interesting neighborhoods. After a delicious lunch, we will enjoy an afternoon cruise on Biscayne Bay, marveling at the waterfront mansions and harbors. Returning to the Hyatt in the afternoon, we will enjoy a warm welcome reception, meeting our Tour Director and learning more details about the adventurous next six days in Cuba.  
**ACCOMODATIONS: Hyatt Regency Coral Gables, Florida**

**Day 3 (Nov 3) ;Bienvenido a Cuba!:** After an early breakfast, your group boards an included flight from Miami to Havana's José Martí International Airport, where your local Cuban guide greets you as you head to a local paladar (restaurant) and learn about authentic Cuban cuisine. Visit Cuban artist Kadir Lopez's artwork in an exclusive showing open to only our group. His work continues to illuminate the city streets highlighting the livelihood of its patrons from the Republican years, which you will learn at his studio. Meet the teachers and students at La Casa del Nino y Nina, an after school program that helps young boys and girls develop language skills and cultural awareness. After dinner, enjoy time in your hotel as you please.  
**ACCOMODATIONS: Grand Aston La Habana**

**Day 4 (Nov 4) Historic Havana, Baseball and Cars:** After breakfast, chat with a local scholar on Cuban Revolution history and what it looks like modern-day. Step into the pedestrian-only UNESCO Heritage Site of Old Havana with a local expert on a walking tour to see the city's architecture and restoration efforts before heading to lunch with a former baseball legend. The sport of baseball was introduced to the country by Cuban students returning home from U.S. colleges back in the 1860s. Drive to a vintage American car club well-known from the popular tv series Cuba Chrome, meet the Club members and ask questions regarding the challenges they face as part of the new emerging entrepreneur sector in Cuba nowadays. Learn about Cuban dance during a visit to meet the instructors of a private dance company, then enjoy dinner and live music at a local restaurant with the Havana Queens.  
**ACCOMODATIONS: Grand Aston La Habana**

**Day 5 (Nov 5) Agriculture in the Viñales Valley:** Today is about exploring the Vinales Valley countryside, to learn how this landscape is optimal for growing tobacco, and sustaining crops and livestock. Head for lunch on an organic farm in a private restaurant to exchange in conversations with the farmers and hear about their entrepreneurial endeavors as a private business in Cuba. Visit Benito Camejo Tabacco Farm where Mr. Benito himself will share stories about this craft and processes of how tobacco farming works. Visit the despalillo to learn about stripping and grading the tobacco. Spend your evening as you wish in your hotel.  
**ACCOMODATIONS: Grand Aston La Habana**

**Day 6 (Nov 6) Afro-Cuban Cultural Heritage:** Connect with Afro-Cuban culture heritage and island identity with a visit to Project Beyond Roots – an organization whose mission is to inspire, empower, and create a positive change in the lives of Cuban people. Later you'll have the chance to explore local goods and connect with artisans in the 19th-century storage houses that are now the Almacenes San José Artisans' Market. Visit Vi Humos, a private project focused on the manufacturing of purses out of recycled cigar wood boxes, along with guayabera shirts designed by Vivian Acosta, the project owner. Experience a cigar rolling tutorial and tasting, while listening to great music and Vivian's personal story in the world of high-end habanos.  
**ACCOMODATIONS: Grand Aston La Habana**

**Day 7 (Nov 7) Hemingway, Vintage Cars & Centro Habana:** He was an American novelist well known for his short stories, a prolific fisherman who actively monitored the Cuban coastline when he wasn't at his desk writing *For Whom the Bell Tolls* and *The Old Man and the Sea*, and the locals often called him "Ernesto." Ernest Hemingway spent much of his life in Cuba, from 1939 to 1960, and today you'll have the chance to visit his home of 21 years. See the author's 9,000-volume library, and his beloved typewriter, and talk with a docent about his life here and the strong connections to Cuba and its people. Visit an outreach musical program where you'll learn their special approach teaching youth how to develop vocal and instrumental skills with traditional music. Your last evening will be spent at a local paladar.  
**ACCOMODATIONS: Grand Aston La Habana**

**Day 8 (Nov 8) Journey Home:** We will transfer from our Havana hotel to José Martí International Airport for your return flight to Miami. In Miami, we will board our flight to WNC, where a Globe Treks representative will return you to your doorstep, having thoroughly enjoyed a visit to the complex culture and beautiful scenery of Cuba.

