5-DAY CUBAN GETAWAY • JANUARY 6-10, 2021

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Dear Vanderbilt Traveler,

Vibrant, historical, musical and architecturally rich, travel with Vanderbilt on this exclusive 5-day Havana getaway to discover the culture and cuisine of captivating Cuba. You'll stay at the elegant Grand Packard Hotel, whose name pays homage to the luxury classic Packard automobile and is located in charming "Old Havana", with views overlooking the turquoise sea.

A DAI-select professional guide introduces you to some of the most important political, spiritual and commercial sites in Cuba’s history and how they relate to the present. Slip into a classic American vintage convertible for a one-hour drive along the Malecon highlighting its gemstone-hued façades and the city’s scenic Vedado neighborhood. Explore Havana’s dynamic art scene – in painting, ceramics and music. Visit Finca Vigia, legendary author Ernest Hemingway’s house where he lived for 20 years and wrote The Old Man and the Sea. Sip quintessential mojitos or delicious daiquiris at the famed El Floridita, Papa Hemingway’s favorite Havana haunt. Enjoy a day’s excursion to the lush UNESCO province of Las Terrazas with time spent at the Buena Vista Coffee Plantation and at the home and studio of renowned modern artist Lester Campa. Evenings will be enriched by delectable dishes at local "paladars" and the rhythms of Cuban music.

Viva Havana! Though just 90 miles across the Florida Straits from the United States, Old World Cuba is thriving in new and exciting ways. We look forward to having you join this engaging program with fellow Vanderbilt Alumni.

Sincerely,

Cary DeWitt Allyn
Director, Vanderbilt Travel Program

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6: DEPART USA / HAVANA  
IBEROSTAR GRAND PACKARD HOTEL
Arrive Havana by midday and transfer directly to Revolution Square in Old Havana. At El Floridita, taste the daiquiri that made the bar Ernest Hemingway’s favorite drinking spot in the 1930’s. Your Welcome to Havana Dinner is a short stroll from your hotel. (D)

Optional activity: An evening in Old Havana at the Buena Vista Social Club at Café Taberna Benny More, where you can sway to the rhythms of Cuban music and savor a nightcap or a café Cubano.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7: HAVANA  
IBEROSTAR GRAND PACKARD HOTEL
Visit Ernest Hemingway’s Cuban paradise, Finca Vigía, that still holds his furniture, fishing rods, typewriters, his beloved boat Pilar and more than 9,000 books that were in his personal collection. Even the phonograph Hemingway listened to as the tropical breezes wafted through the house after a morning’s literary labor at his standing desk, still works. Continue through the district of Alamar and the local fishing village of Cojimar, setting of The Old Man and the Sea. Lunch at the open-air Paladar Café Ajiaco. End your day at the bustling Artisans Market. Evening at leisure. (B,L)

Optional activity: Visit La Zorro y El Cuervo Jazz Club for an evening of the best jazz in Havana.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8: HAVANA  
IBEROSTAR GRAND PACKARD HOTEL
The stunning natural beauty of Las Terrazas is on display in Artemesia Province. Visit the Clinica Las Terrazas and learn about the medical services in Cuba. Indulge your senses with a cup of the best coffee in the country at Café Maria en route to the home and studio of famed modern artist Lester Campa. At the Buena Vista Coffee Plantation learn about coffee farming and its complex history with slavery in Cuba. Lunch at a local farmhouse. Heading back to Havana stop for a private visit with the music educational community project, Clave del Sol, for some musical entertainment. Evening at leisure. (B,L)

Optional activity: Private evening at La Fabrica del Arte, where local artists and musicians showcase their work – some of the finest art in all of Cuba – and enjoy salsa dancing, mojitos and rumba music as you mingle with the artists.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9: HAVANA  
IBEROSTAR GRAND PACKARD HOTEL
Begin today with a docent guided tour of the Museo de Bellas Artes, a renowned museum showcasing Cuban artists. A panoramic drive takes you through the chic neighborhood of Miramar whose grand mansions and wide avenues retain their pre-revolutionary feel. Visit the home and gallery of self-taught artist and ceramist, Beatriz Sala Santacana, and Fusterlandia, the street-art neighborhood of José Fuster. Stroll along the nearby village of Jaimanitas and see some of the finest examples of street art in the world. When the sun goes down and the lights come up, depart in a classic 1950s American vintage convertible for a one-hour drive along the Malecon and through the Vedado neighborhood of Havana. Your Farewell to Cuba Dinner is at Havana’s top-rated paladar, La Guarida. (B,D)

Optional activity: Visit El Gran Teatro de Habana with center orchestra seats for a musical performance (the performance details are announced 1 month prior to your departure).

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10: DEPART HAVANA / ARRIVE USA  
EN ROUTE
Transfer to Havana’s Jose Martí Airport for your international flight back to Miami and connecting flight to your domestic city. Welcome Home! (B)
Payment Schedule:
A $1500 per person deposit is required to confirm services. Final payment is due 60 days prior to departures. Payment is accepted by personal check, wire transfer and all major credit cards.

Rates & Fares:
All rates shown are accurate at the time of publication and are subject to change. All prices are based upon foreign exchange rates the company feels will be in effect at the time of departure. These prices are subject to change resulting from fluctuations in exchange rates.

Refunds & Cancellations:
All cancellations must be in writing. The per person forfeiture charges are:
• More than 60 days prior to departure: full refund
• 59-30 days prior to departure: 50% of tour price
• Less than 30 days prior to departure: 100% of tour price
There is no refund for a partially completed tour or for unused services of any kind.

TRIP CANCELLATION INSURANCE IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

Cost of Adventure:
CUBA PROGRAM: $3,895 per person double occupancy  SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: $995
EARLY BOOKING DISCOUNT BY AUGUST 31, 2020: $3,695 PER PERSON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY
AIRFARE NOT INCLUDED “GUIDANCE PROVIDED”

Included in your program are:
• Cuba Visa fees • Meet and greet services & airport transfers upon arrival and departure. • All accommodations as specified in the itinerary • All transfers by private air-conditioned vehicles including bottled water • Meals as indicated by (B), (L), (D) B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner (4 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners) • Private local specialist/guide for all included touring • Welcome & Farewell Dinners including ½ bottle of wine or local beer per person • Private exclusive “behind-the-scenes” visits with artists • Gratuities for guides, drivers, restaurant service per the itinerary

Not Included are:
• International flights and relevant taxes • Passport fees • Travel insurance (highly recommended) • Meals not indicated in the itinerary • Optional activities • Additional discretionary gratuities for guides • Items of a personal nature such as laundry, telephone calls, Wi-Fi/internet, both alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks (unless indicated otherwise), incidental expenses at hotel, etc.

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