



Culture, Creativity and Classic Cars in Cuba

January 7 – 13, 2020

Day 1 : January 7th

5:00 pm Arrival into Jose Marti International Airport and transfer to your casa particular. **Orientation Meeting** and overview with your Altruvistas Havana representative

7:30 pm **Welcome Dinner** at San Cristobal Paladar

Meals Included : Dinner

Day 2 : January 8th

9:00 am Breakfast
Briefing by Cuban architect Miguel Coyula to discuss the History and Future of Havana. Learn about the historic development of the Capitol, and about the Master Plan for Restoration of Old Havana through the salvaging of neglected buildings, tourism for restoration investment, and the accompanying social services for local residents.

<https://www.appliedbrilliance2016.com/speakers/miguel-coyula/>

11:00 am **Guided City Tour of Old Havana.** Our guided tour includes a brief history of the city's important sites with a focus on the diverse architecture of the city. Our walk takes us through Havana's oldest neighborhood to learn about the historic, architectural, and cultural significance of this area which was declared a World Heritage Site in 1982 by UNESCO. Explore the four main plazas of the 18th-century colony: **Plaza de Armas**, which originally housed the main administrative buildings of the colony; **Plaza Vieja**, the oldest of the plazas; **Plaza de la Cathedral**, site of the baroque cathedral of Havana, and **Plaza de San Francisco**, site of the

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basilica of San Francisco and the old Havana stock exchange.

Lunch at the roof of Inglaterra hotel in Old Havana

1:00pm

Classic car tour ride through Modern Havana to Revolution square. Visit and

3:00 pm

exchange with photographer Roberto Salas and learn about his incredible life story documenting the Cuban Revolution.

5:00 pm

Return to casas particulares to enjoy free time for dinner and activities at **La Casa De la Musica**

Meals Included : Breakfast, Lunch

Day 3 : January 9th

Breakfast

9:00 am

Visit the Hemingway's Museum room at Ambos Mundos hotel and enjoy time to visit local artist studios in Old Havana.

1:30 am

Lunch at El Divino paladar and visit to their gardens.

12:30pm

Visit the **Finca Vigia** where the Hemingway lived a great part of his life

Exchange with an automotive historian!

3:00 pm

Free time to rest.

5:00 pm

Transfer to the Hotel Nacional to visit their humidor and enjoy Patio dinner at your own leisure.

7:00 pm

9:45 pm

Classic car tour ride by night- We Cruise the Malecon and over the Forteleza. We will visit la **Forteleza de La Cabaña** whose construction began in 1763 for its remarkable vistas to Havana..

Meals Included : Breakfast and Lunch

Day 4 : January 10th

- 10:0 am Exchange with drivers of classic cars and learn about their cooperative in front of Inglaterra hotel.
- 12:30pm Lunch at Paladar Nao
- 2:00 pm Mojito at Bodeguita del medio
- 3:00 pm Hang out at local mechanics repair shop near Colon cemetery. We will learn how they “invent” car parts and keep these classic cars crusing.
- 7:00 pm **Dinner and Evening Free**
- Meals Included :** Breakfast and Lunch

Day 5 : January 11th

- 10:00am Exchange with team organizers of “Amigos de Fangio” Club to learn about the organization and activities with classic cars.
- Lunch at a local Paladar
- 2:00 pm Visit and exchange with the mechanics of ‘Amigos de Fangio’ Club to learn about Cuban automotive ingenuity as a result of the embargo.
- 4:00 pm Enjoy “**Brujo Tour**” to see how Afro-Cuban identity an religion is expressed in the popular culture, art and music as we visit the community arts project of the artist Salvador, at the **Callejon de Hamel**.
- PM Evening is free for dinner and cultural activities.
- Meals Included :** Breakfast, Lunch

Day 6 : January 12th

9:30am Visit a local **Cigar Factory** in Havana

11:00am Visit the **Rum museum** to learn about the history of Sugar Cane and Rum in Cuba as well as their influence in society . After lunch there is free time for shopping at **Almacenes de San José**


3:30 pm Our last exchange in Havana is with the A lo Cubano Car Club! We will request a meet and greet to discuss the presence of Discovery Channel, and the validity of the television show, “Cuban Chrome.”

7:00 pm Drive by classic cars to a great paladar for our **farewell dinner** and after enjoy time at the **Fabrica de Arte Cubano** for live music.

Meals Included : Breakfast, Dinner

Day 7 : January 13th

Check out and depart for the airport.

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