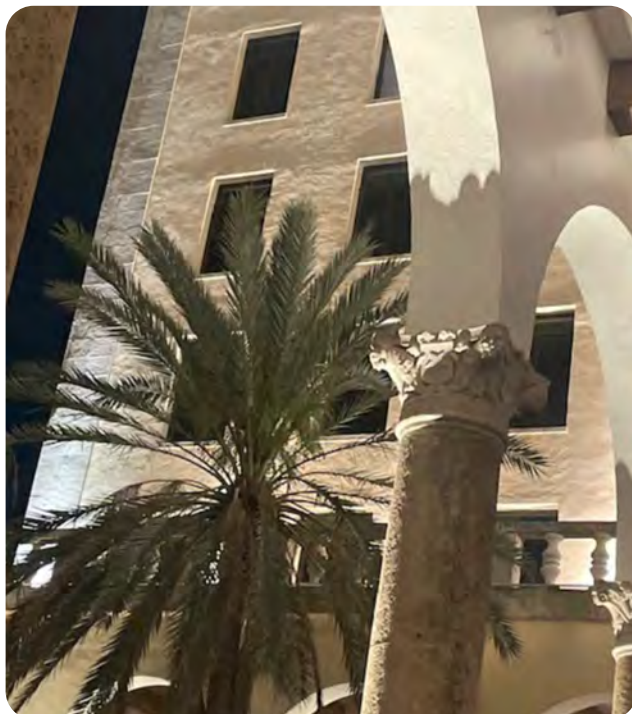




# Cuba

## REUNION TOUR

### WITH WENDY HOLM

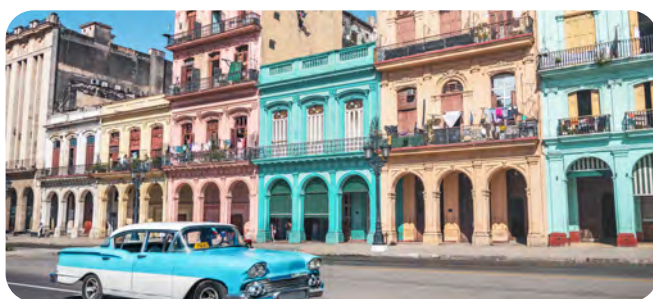


**SATURDAY JANUARY 24 TO  
MONDAY FEBRUARY 2, 2026**

**\$3,550 USD/PERSON + AIR INCLUDES:**

- ✓ All hotels
- ✓ All meals
- ✓ All transfers
- ✓ All tips
- ✓ All sightseeing

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## DETAILED ITINERARY

### **Saturday, Jan. 24: Arrive Varadero**

Most of you will have arrived at the Hotel a day or two early, been met at the airport and transferred to the Melia Varadero for a relaxing start to our Cuba experience. Today, meet for introductions near the piano in the lobby bar around 6; I will make dinner reservations for us at 7 pm dinner in Fuenteventura or Sakura (will advise).

*Overnight: Melia Varadero Hotel, Varadero*

### **Sunday, Jan. 25: Varadero to Viñales**

Head off Sunday morning to Viñales, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Along the way, stop at Soroa Orchid Garden founded in the 1940's by a Spanish collector with over 700 species from around the world, lunch in Las Terrasses Biosphere Reserve.

*Overnight: La Ermita (two nights)*



### **Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 26 and 27 Viñales**

Soak in the beauty of the breathtaking Vinales Valley. Visit a tobacco farm, caves, organic gardens, horseback or walking tour of the valley. Lunch at Finca Agroecologica National Park Reserve, visit Los Portales.



*Los Portales*

### **Wednesday, Jan. 28: Viñales to Havana**

Depart in the morning for Havana, stopping for lunch and a farm tour at Finca Marta, where Fernan Funes is demonstrating cutting edge 'agroecology'. Funes advocates 'smart, resource-efficient artisanal farming' as an alternative to the agribusiness model practiced abroad. This eight-acre farm supplies organic produce to many of Havana's top-rated restaurants. We'll be hosted by Fernando for a tour and a farm lunch. Finca Marta is a world recognized sustainable farming model with terraced beds, 720 honeybee hives and a manure management system.



*Overnight: Hotel Nacional, Havana (five nights)*



## Thursday - Sunday, Jan. 29 – Feb 1: Havana

We will spend the next four days in Havana at the beautiful and iconic Hotel Nacional.



We have put together a wonderful program for Havana! We will be there during the International Jazz Festival, and we are steps from the best Jazz Bar in Cuba (La Zorra y El Cuervo). (Day-by-day program in the works!)

Enjoy a guided walking tour of Habana Vieja, the old colonial centre, now being spruced up with painstaking restoration work. Explore the San Carlos de la Cabana Fort at the mouth of Old Havana. Visit a bustling farmer's market, craft markets and a whimsical community art project.



*Fusterlandia*

Cruise the broad boulevards of Havana in classic American convertibles from the 1950s.



Learn more about two of Cuba's iconic exports with a visit to a working Havana cigar factory and Havana's Rum Museum which showcases the rum-making process from freshly cut sugar cane to a scale model factory.



Enjoy Museo de Belle Artes, showplace of Cuban painting and sculpture that traces the development of Cuban art from the colonial to the contemporary. Visit historic Castillo del Moro that guards the Bay of Havana and stop in at Centro Fidel Castro Ruz in Vedado.



Visit beautiful finca "La Vigia" (Hemingway House), built in 1886 by Catalan architect Miguel Pascual y Bager, now a museum.

Remodeled by Hemingway, who lived there 1939 - 1960. Marvel at Carrara marble statues in Cristóbal Colón Cemetery, one of the most important in the world and considered a World Heritage Site.

## Monday, Feb. 2: Depart Varadero

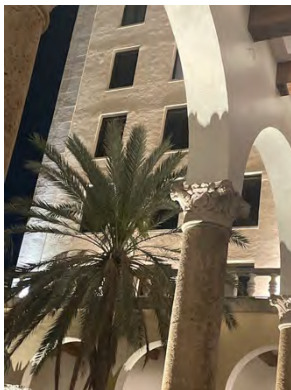
Morning transfer to Varadero for homeward-bound flights; some travel on to Melia Varadero for post-tour stays

## *A word about the food...*

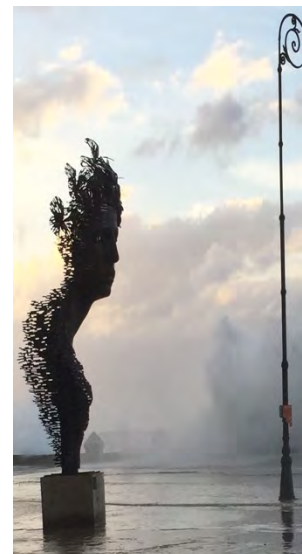
The meals in Vinales will be wonderful - two on agroecological farms! But it will Havana that will knock your socks off when it comes to cuisine. We will enjoy amazing meals at Havana's top paladars, including La Guarida, La Cocina de Lilliam, Café Laurent, Chef Ivan Justo, Los Mercaderes and La Mondeda Cubana.



Chef Ivan y Justo



Aguilar, Hotel Nacional



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# Cuba Reunion Tour 2026

## WHAT TO EXPECT

### ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE DATES

The tour starts on Saturday January 24 and ends on Monday February 2. But depending on your flight schedules – or your yearning for some Cuban sunshine and pampering at the Melia – you may find you want to arrive a few days early or stay a few days later. Once we look at flights, I can easily book you extra nights at the Melia – my personal favourite in Varadero

### TRANSFERS

Regardless of when you arrive, a private transfer will meet you at the airport and bring you to the Melia Varadero, on Monday February 2<sup>nd</sup> an outgoing transfer will take you to Varadero Airport or the Melia if you are staying on for a few days.

### TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

You will require a valid Canadian passport (ideally valid for at least 6 more months) as well as a Cuban Tourist Visa (on-line process).

### FLIGHTS

You can book yourself, or I am happy to help look for and book direct flights closest to you.

### INSURANCE

Proof of full medical insurance is required to enter Cuba. Check with your insurer or provincial CAA.

### ACCOMMODATION

Melia Varadero: beautiful, all-inclusive 5 Star resort with three a la carte restaurants, beautiful beach and golf.

La Ermita: On an escarpment overlooking the lovely Viñales Valley. Amazing sunsets.

Hotel Nacional: Iconic. A National Monument. On the Malecon overlooking the sea...

### WEATHER

Usually clear and sunny, with daytime highs reaching 28-30°, dropping to around 20° in the evenings.

### DRESS CODE

Casual. Bring long slacks for men and slacks or a skirt for women for evening dining.

### PRICE:

\$3,550 USD plus air. Single Supplement: \$348 USD  
Deposit: \$1,000 USD payable upon booking. Balance due by December 31, 2025. (May be paid in CAD with final payment adjusted for USD exchange.)  
Payable by cheque (USD or CAD) or eTransfer (CAD).

### WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Airport transfers in and out
- Accommodation based on double occupancy
- All meals (usually include glass of wine)
- Transportation by private air-conditioned coach
- Bottled water on the coach
- All activities and entrance fees
- Services of specialized English-speaking guide
- Gratuities for local guides, drivers, hotel porters, meals, activities
- Fully escorted by Wendy Holm

### WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Roundtrip airfare from your home to Varadero plus any baggage charges
- Travel insurance
- Beverages (beyond drink incl with meal)
- Items of a personal nature



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