

Salsa in Cuba

DATES & PRICE

14th September to 21st September - £569.00

OVERVIEW

The ultimate salsa holiday. A fortnight of Cuban music and culture in the company of our expert local dance team, with a choice of chill-out stays.



WHAT'S INCLUDED

A full-time, exclusive salsa workshop with our expert local dance team, including all tuition and practice classes.



A programme of salsa classes with our team of Cuban dancers, including all tuition and practice classes, and support evenings.



Two nights of salsa dancing in Cuban style, party, social and formal, including salsa, mambo, rumba, Cuban dance, bachata and more.



14th September to 21st September, 7 days, 7 nights, 14 days, 14 nights, 14 days, 14 nights.

A return direct flight with Ryan Air from Gatwick to Havana.

Travel and travel insurance and return home transfer.

Full meals, accommodation and drinks in the evening at Hotel Nacional, the best in Havana.

Transfer to the airport.

A night's chill-out time in Havana. This is an optional £100 supplement for Trinidad and £100 supplement for Havana.

All airport transfers.

Local and international flights, including airport taxes, immigration, security and baggage and airport security supplements.

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YOUR DESTINATION, INCLUDES SIGHTSEEING

Havana, the first grand city built by Europeans in the New World, retains the grandeur and charm of a history that spans nearly 500 years. When New York was still a collection of huts Havana was a cosmopolitan city with palaces and squares, with a high society already famous for its dances. Admire the famous Cathedral in Old Havana first started in 1748. Visit the Palacio de los Capitanes Generales, the residence of the Spanish Captains General who ruled Cuba from 1791-1898 and the Castillo Real de la Fuerza, built between 1558-77, one of the oldest surviving colonial fortress in the Americas and home to Giralda, the symbol of Cuba, as seen on the label of Havana Club rum. See the Capitolio Nacional, a huge marble building modelled on the Capitol building in Washington and visit the Museo de la Revolucion, formerly the presidential palace. Wander along El Malecón, the famous waterfront of Havana. Pay a literary pilgrimage to the Hotel Ambos Mundos, where Ernest Hemingway wrote the novel "For Whom the Bell Tolls". The above is far from exhaustive. Please consult a guidebook for in depth information. We recommend in particular the latest edition of The Insight Guide to Cuba.

Trinidad offers you an authentic picture of rural Cuba against the backdrop of a historic port town with colonial architecture. This charming town just five hours drive from Havana is UNESCO preserved. The Plaza Mayor, winding narrow streets and old churches remain largely untouched by the modern world. Typical views over the countryside offer sugar cane, tobacco fields and rice paddies, locals travelling on horseback and farmers herding their livestock through the streets.

Trinidad is surrounded by mountains and green landscapes, including valleys containing the well-preserved remnants of ancient sugar mills. The region holds the Escambray Mountain Range, which treasures one of the country's most varied vegetation, ranging from arboreal ferns and wild orchids to pine forests, and a unique endemic fauna. One of the first villages founded by the Spanish conquistadors in Cuba, Trinidad also boasts big caves, where many pieces of evidence have been found about the city's history and the country's first inhabitants. There are great beaches 8km from Trinidad town and in addition to white sands and crystal blue waters, these beaches offer fantastic scuba diving.

UNESCO World Heritage site Vinales is encircled by mountains and its landscape is interspersed with dramatic rocky outcrops. Traditional techniques are still in use for agricultural production, particularly of tobacco. The quality of this cultural landscape is enhanced by the vernacular architecture of its farms and villages, where a rich multi-ethnic society survives, illustrating the cultural development of the islands of the Caribbean, and of Cuba.

Varadero is the largest resort complex in the Caribbean. It offers you over 20 km of fine sand-shore and crystal-clear waters, pure air, clean and safe beaches, four and five star-hotels close to the sea and night time entertainment, clubs, bars, restaurants and more!.

This former elitist resort, 34 km east of Matanzas and 140 km east of Havana, is fronted by a stunning white sandy beach which, is bathed by the warm waters of the Gulf Stream. Flocks of egrets and occasional pelicans fly by, skimming over a sea of stunning blue.

The resort occupies a narrow peninsula centered on a Cuban town which has a small population. Varadero is Cuba's premier beach resort, set on a sheltered peninsula with what many claim to be one of the finest beaches in the Caribbean. Warm, clear and shallow waters lap the soft, white sandy beaches. Sun seekers paradise with growing numbers of Americans, Canadians and European tourists. Varadero is a one hour's coach journey from Havana.

