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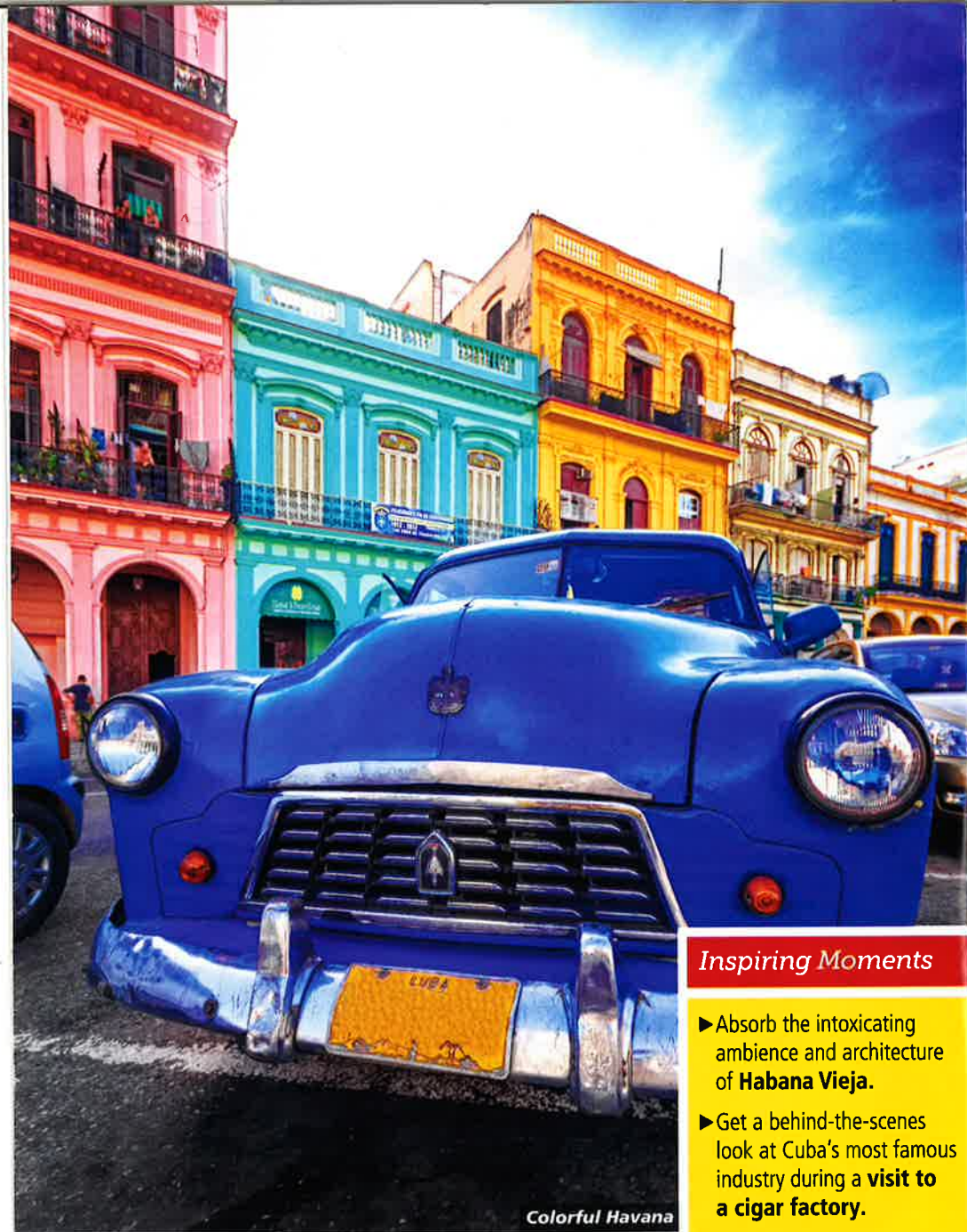
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Colorful Havana

Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Absorb the intoxicating ambience and architecture of **Habana Vieja**.
- ▶ Get a behind-the-scenes look at Cuba's most famous industry during a **visit to a cigar factory**.
- ▶ Meet members of **Cuba's arts community** during visits with artists, dancers and musicians.
- ▶ Travel back in time and **ride in a 1950s classic car** through Havana's

Immerse yourself in the culture, art, history and people of fascinating and enigmatic Cuba. Participate in the historic evolution of the relationship between the U.S. and our closest island nation neighbor. Authorized by a U.S. Department of the Treasury general license, this People-to-



Museo de la Revolución



Havana

Cuba conjures up images of cigar-puffing men leaning against classic cars, colonial buildings shedding ice-cream colored paint and bodies oscillating to rhythmic salsa beats. From vintage hints of its past splendor to its medley of charismatic citizens, Cuba's vivacity is simply palpable and digging beneath its surface will uncover a truly exotic and compelling destination. Begin in Cienfuegos, Cuba's Pearl of the South, and admire the city's French spirit and pretty nautical ambience. Travel to Cuba's verdant countryside and experience the slow cadence of rural life. Conclude your journey in Havana, a city bursting with musicality and revolutionary history. From inspiring cities to engaging People-to-People experiences, discover Cuba's enticing and exciting pulse for life.

DAY ONE

IN TRANSIT/MIAMI, FLORIDA

Depart your gateway city for Miami, Florida. Check in to the Crowne Plaza Miami International Airport.

(Transportation to Miami is not included.)

DAY TWO

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**MIAMI/SANTA CLARA, CUBA/
CIENFUEGOS**

Depart for Santa Clara, Cuba.

Upon arrival, transfer to Cienfuegos and check in to the

the Museo de Arquitectura and the Museo Romántico de Artes Decorativas which holds an extensive exhibit of 19th-century furnishings and china. Be graciously welcomed into a local home where you will meet the family and learn about typical Cuban life.

Local Flavor: Savor lunch at the Plaza Mayor.

Excursion: Cienfuegos & Music. Take a walking tour of Parque Marti, the city's main square. See the cathedral built in 1819 and admire its striking red bell towers. At the Teatro de Cienfuegos, delight in a foot-tapping musical performance. Afterwards, meet the musicians.

Local Flavor: Gather for dinner at El Lagarto, a paladar. During a period of reform in the 1990s, Cubans were allowed to open their own restaurants. Each paladar offers a unique setting and menu.

DAY FOUR

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CIENFUEGOS/HAVANA

Following breakfast, depart for Havana.

Excursion: Healthcare & Sugar Cane. Visit Policlinico, a Cuban health clinic. Meet the staff and learn about Cuba's healthcare system. Continue to Australia, a former sugar cane factory. Speak with former workers and learn about the history of the sugar cane industry.

Local Flavor: Enjoy lunch at Fiesta Campesina.

Excursion: Hemingway's Cuba. Visit Finca Vigía, home of author Ernest Hemingway, to



square, and see the Palacio de los Capitanes Generales, residence of the colonial Spanish governors. Walk to the Plaza de la Catedral and Plaza de San Francisco before visiting one of Havana's elementary schools where you can engage with teachers and students.

Educational Focus: *Urban Planning & the Architectural Challenges.*

Local Flavor: Visit El Templete for lunch.

Excursion: Revolutionary History & Casa de la Cultura. Visit the Museo de la Revolución and see extensive exhibits about Cuba's history including the Bay of Pigs. Share experiences with staff and children at the Casa de la Cultura, a children's cultural center.

Local Flavor: Enjoy dinner at a local paladar.

DAY SIX

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HAVANA

Excursion: Cigars & Cuban Dance. Visit

Local Flavor: Enjoy lunch at La Barraca at the landmark Hotel Nacional.

Excursion: La Quinta Santa Venia. Visit La Quinta Santa Venia, a private home for senior citizens, and engage with the residents and nuns who live and work there.

Local Flavor: Enjoy dinner at one of Havana's oldest paladars, La Moraleja.

DAY SEVEN

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HAVANA

Excursion: Classic Convertibles & Cuban Art. Cuba's streets are filled with vintage American convertibles. These 1950 classics, imported before the U.S trade embargo began in 1960, still run because of the ingenuity of their owners. Spare parts are scarce, but many of these cars are in excellent condition. Enjoy a drive through Havana's historic quarter in one of these beauties



Fuster. Join a discussion with Fuster about his work and about the new opportunities existing for Cuban artists.

Local Flavor: Enjoy lunch at Casa Fuster.

Excursion: Afro-Cuban Dance. Learn about Afro-Cuban dance from various local dancers. Perhaps you will try a few steps yourself!

Local Flavor: Enjoy dinner this evening at La Terraza.

DAY EIGHT

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PINAR DEL RÍO

Excursion: Rural Cuba. Venture outside of Havana this morning to the beautiful countryside and the Sierra del Rosario mountain range. This scenic drive travels through rural communities and past tobacco plantations to Las Terrazas, a model socialist community established in the 1980s. Walk through the community, savor a strong Cuban coffee and seek treasures at a local art studio.

Local Flavor: Lunch is served at El Romero, an eco-restaurant that prepares dishes with locally and organically grown vegetables. Meet Chef Tito Gudas and discuss Cuba's agricultural industry. Then visit the organic vegetable gardens and meet the community's gardeners. Tonight, gather for a Farewell Dinner at Café de Oriente.

DAY NINE

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HAVANA/IN TRANSIT

After breakfast, depart for Havana José Martí

ACCOMMODATIONS

- One night in Miami, Florida, at the first-class Crowne Plaza Miami International Airport.
- Two nights in Cienfuegos, Cuba, at the first-class Hotel Jagua.
- Five nights in Havana at the first-class Hotel Meliá Cohiba.

TRANSPORTATION

- Chartered round-trip flights from Miami to Cuba.
- All deluxe motor coach transfers in Cuba.

MEALS

- Enjoy all meals in Cuba; tea or coffee with all meals, plus a local beverage with dinner.
- Gather for Welcome and Farewell dinners.
- Sample authentic regional specialties while dining at specially selected state-run and privately owned restaurants.

ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES

- Interact with locals during daily People-to-People exchanges. All excursions in the itinerary are included.
- Learn about Cuban culture, history and more during informative educational discussions with local experts.
- Tipping of excursion guides and drivers.



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Join us on this spectacular People-to-People educational exchange program, authorized by the U.S. Treasury Department's Cuban Assets Control Regulations. Space on this amazing eight-night journey is limited to 28 travelers. Be sure to make your reservations today.

Sincerely,



David W. Bartell
Executive Director for Outreach Programs

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1. **Old Havana and its Fortification System**
2. **Trinidad and the Valley de los Ingenios**
3. **Urban Historic Center of Cienfuegos**
4. **Sierra del Rosario (UNESCO Biosphere Reserve)**



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I/we authorize you to make my/our reservations as follows:

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Departure City

Please contact me/us to discuss connecting domestic air flight options.

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 I request assistance in securing a roommate but will accept a single, if one is available at this time, and pay the single supplement. Should a roommate be found, I understand the supplement will no longer apply.

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Enclosed is a deposit of _____ (\$600 pp required) to reserve _____ place(s).

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April 30-May 8, 2017

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\$5,495

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