



Abercrombie & Kent Private Travel

Private Tailor-Made Itinerary for Cuba and Jamaica Mr I Harris & Ms J Wormleighton February 2007

17th February Departing London Heathrow 1240

Arriving Kingston 1915

AIR JAMAICA - Business Class

1 night Strawberry Hill in a Cottage Room including dinner on arrival and breakfast Including private car transfers to and from the airport

18th February Departing Kingston 0755

Arriving Havana 0920

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CUBA ITINERARY

Day 1: Arrival in Havana (18.02.07)

Welcome at the airport and transfer to the hotel in Havana.

Overnight with breakfast: Hotel Santa Isabel 5* (Junior Suite) in Old Havana

Day 2: Habana Colonial (19.02.07)

In the morning your private guide shows you colonial Old Havana with horse coaches and on a walking tour including the most important things to see: Capitolio, Gran Teatro, Cathedral, Plaza de Armas, Palacio de Los Capitanes Generales etc. Finally you will enjoy a Mojito at Hemingways "Bodeguita". In the afternoon time at leisure.

Overnight with breakfast: Hotel Santa Isabel 5* (Junior Suite) in Old Havana.

Some recommendations for Nightbirds:

- Traditional Music Buena Vista Social Club style at Hotel Nacional Sala "1930" (usually Wednesdays and Saturdays, starting at 21:00 hours)
- Modern Salsa at "Casa de la Musica" Miramar or Galeano or at "Havana Café" (starts at 24:00 hours, best during weekends)
- Jazz at "La Zorra y el Cuervo" (starts at 23:00 hours)
- Latin Disco & Salsa Live at Panoramic Disco "Cabaret Turquino" (26th floor Hotel Habana Libre)

(starts at 23:30 hours)

Day 3: Havana – La Revolucion Tour (20.02.07)

In the morning English guided tour in American classic car to the Revolution Museum, Revolution Square, Che Guevara and José Martí monuments. Learn about Cubans lifestyle by visiting a CDR (Revolution Defense Committee), a school and Cuban market. Finally your guide shows you the "Calle Hamel" street with paintings refering to the afrocuban Santería Cult.

In the evening we recommend the famous Tropicana Cabaret – Havana's Paradise under the stars or the nostalgic "Cabaret Parisien" at the Nacional hotel.

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Day 4: Havana – Pinar del Río - Viñales (21.02.07)

Early morning start on the "Ruta del Tabaco" to the province of Pinar del Rio in the western part of Cuba. Visit of a cigar factory in Pinar del Río. Panoramic sightseeing tour through the Mogote-Valley with its famous limestone rocks and the pittoresque village of Viñales, where time seems to stand still. Visit a "Casa del Veguero" (house of a tobacco farmer) and have lunch in the "Palenque" surrounded by beautiful nature. In the afternoon to the "Prehistoric Wall" a huge art work on a rock made by the Cuban Painter Gonzalez Morillo (1960s) and boat trip through the Indian Cave.

Overnight with breakfast: Hotel Rancho San Vicente 2,5* in Viñales.

Day 5: Viñales (22.02.07)

Day at leisure in Viñales with possibility to book day trips on site. Overnight with breakfast: Hotel Rancho San Vicente 2,5* in Viñales.

Day 6: Viñales – Las Terrazas (23.02.07)

Morning drive to the UNESCO-Biosphere Reserve of Las Terrazas with artists colony and nostalgic French Coffee plantation. Visit of some of the painters studios and walking tour through the nature of the Sierra del Rosario, including a rustic lunch and the possibility for a swim in the natural ponds of the Rio San Juan.

Overnight with breakfast: Hotel Moka 3,5* in Las Terrazas.

Day 7: Las Terrazas – Guamá – Cienfuegos – Trinidad (24.02.07)

An early morning drive through a plain landscape leads you to Central Cuba and the Peninsula Zapata. During a boat trip through the mangles you will reach the Taino-Village on an island on the Laguna del Tesoro. Further on to Cienfuegos, a city inspired by french architecture of which you can find many examples around the main square Parque Martí. Including the Teatro Terry, which attracted famous artists and singers like Caruso, Sara Bernhardt and Ana Pavlova in the 19th century. Walking tour to the peninsula Punta Gorda with its typical wooden houses, which you can also overlook from the terrace of the impressing mudejar-style "Palacio del Valle". Afterwards along the scenic coast road to Trinidad - UNESCO world heritage with unique colonial arquitecture. Overnight with breakfast: Hotel Iberostar Trinidad 4* in Trinidad.

Day 8: Trinidad (25.02.07)

In the morning you will have time to discover the cobblestone lanes and the main square surrounded by the mansions of the former sugar barons. At the Romantic Museum in the Palacio Brunet you can see a beautiful collection of colonial furniture and antiques. Visit of the bar "Canchanchara" where a typical honey liquor is offered. Lunch in Restaurant Santa Ana or Plaza Mayor in town. In the afternoon time at leisure. In the evening time to explore the romantic nightlife at Casa de la Musica or Casa de la Trova, where you can dance with locals to Salsa and Son.

Overnight with breakfast: Hotel Iberostar Trinidad 4* in Trinidad.

Day 9: Trinidad – Sugarmills Valley - Camagüey (26.02.07)

In the morning to the Sugarmills Valley, which can be overlooked from the "Slave tower". Visit of the Hacienda Iznaga where you can get an impression of the life of the sugar barons in the 19th century. Further on to Camagüey and city tour with the Casa Agramonte.

Overnight with breakfast: Hotel Plaza 2,5* in Camagüey.





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Day 10: Camagüey - Santiago de Cuba (27.02.07)

Departure to Santiago de Cuba. On the way to the pilgrim's church El Cobre in the Sierra Maestra, symbol for the mixture of African Cuban and catholic religions. Stop in the cemetery Santa Ifigenia where the remarkable poet and National Hero Jose Marti is buried. Arrival in Santiago de Cuba in the late afternoon. In the evening possibility to enjoy local music at the legendary Casa de la Trova, the cradle of Cuban Son.

Overnight with breakfast: Hotel Melia Santiago 4* in Santiago de Cuba.

Day 11: Santiago de Cuba (28.02.07)

In the morning panorama tour of Santiago de Cuba including Moncada Garrison, Revolution Square and the Hill San Juan. Lunch in the Fortress El Morro on the Bay of Santiago de Cuba and visit of the Pirates Museum. In the afternoon by foot through the main sighseeing points: Carneval Museum, Casa Velázquez (oldest house in town), Parque Céspedes, Plaza Dolores, Calle Heredia and Padre Pico. In the evening transfer to the airport Santiago de Cuba and flight to Havana. On the arrival in Havana, transfer to the colonial hotel.

Overnight with breakfast: Hotel Telégrafo 4* in Old Havana.

Day 12: Havana – Jamaica (01.03.07)

Transfer to the airport Havana and end of the services.

01st March Havana to Kingston Departing Havana 2115 arriving Kingston 2240

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01st March Private car transfer from Kingston to Round Hill Jamaica

4WD vehicle to be requested (late arrival at the hotel)

01st March Round Hill Jamaica

9 nights stay

1 x Deluxe Villa Suite With private pool requested although not guaranteed. Room Only

Until the date of travel I will contact the hotel regularly to ensure they are aware that we would wish for a deluxe villa suite as far up the hillside as possible.

09th March Private car transfer from Round Hil Jamaica to Montego Bay Airport

09th March Montego Bay to London Heathrow departing 2100 arriving 1050* (next

morning)

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overhight with preakfast: Hotel Santa Isabel 5* (Junior Suite) in Old Havana



