

Join Us for A TASTE OF HAVANA!!!

5-night CUBA Cruise aboard Royal Caribbean Empress of the Seas
June 23 – 28, 2018 from Miami, Florida

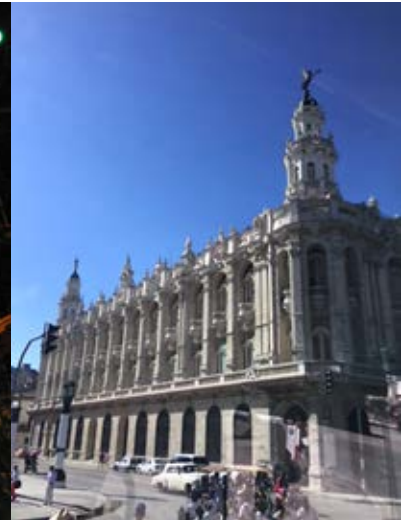


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June 23 – Depart Miami 4pm
June 24 – Key West 8am-5pm
June 25 – Havana! 8am
(shows, music and fun!)
June 26 – Another Havana Day
(depart 8pm)
June 27 – Day at Sea
June 28 – Return Miami
(arrive 7am)

The “Details”:

- Interior Stateroom \$714.5 per person (double occupancy) 3rd & 4th person \$148 additional each
- Ocean View Stateroom \$962.5 per person (double occupancy) 3rd & 4th person \$148 additional each
- Junior Suite Stateroom from \$2,180.61 per person (double occupancy) 3rd person \$498 additional
- Above includes \$120.97 per person port fees and taxes!!!
- A visa is required, which will be processed by Royal Caribbean at a cost of \$75.00 per person (in addition to above fares)
- Gratuities and service fees of \$14.50 per person per day (not included)
- **1 FULL DAY IN KEYWEST, FL**
- **TWO FULL DAYS IN HAVANA, INCLUDING AN OVERNIGHT** allowing “HAVANA AT NIGHT”, with the world famous “TROPICANA” show; CAFÉ TABERNA with music inspired by the BUENA VISTA SOCIAL CLUB; or CABARET PARISIEN at the HOTEL NACIONAL de CUBA, home to famous political and entertainment figures dating back to 1930 (standard excursion fees apply)
- As we are calling this “A Taste of Havana”, we have specifically selected this sailing for maximum time on the island during a long weekend cruise getaway. Unlike many cruises, this is specifically focused as a cultural trip, rather than a cruise of relaxation or a ship and it’s amenities; This is really an introduction into a culture vastly different than the US
- Royal Caribbean’s Empress of the Seas is an intimate ship that has undergone extensive refurbishment with the intended purpose of servicing Cuba
- The best way to experience Cuba is by sea – this assures that Americans are meeting ALL travel criteria required by the US Government; provides an easy “base” to tour from without language, logistic, or regulation concerns. **THIS IS THE BEST WAY TO TRAVEL TO CUBA**
- As an escorted tour, you have the benefit of another layer of service to assist with questions, currency understanding and exchange, excursion selection, and guidelines and laws regarding this



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MOST POPULAR EXCURSIONS:

- ***Hemingway's Havana*** –Explore the literary connections between Cuba and the late American novelist Ernest Hemingway on a dynamic four-hour tour that offers the chance to see where he lived, fished, dined and sipped his favorite cocktails. Your day begins with a short coach ride south of Havana to the small, working-class town of San Francisco de Paula to see the Finca Vigia. From the exterior of this fully restored “lookout house,” where Hemingway lived and worked for 20 years, a specialized guide will offer background on the residence where the celebrated author penned some of his famous works, including *For Whom the Bell Tolls* and *Old Man and the Sea*. You’ll then delight in a panoramic bus tour through the old fishing village of Cojimar, where you’ll see a monument dedicated to Hemingway shortly after his death in 1961 —listen along as a special guest delivers a bit of history on Hemingway and the Cuban connection in front of the monument. Stop by the nearby La Terraza de Cojimar, a favorite dining establishment of Hemingway’s, to enjoy their sweet Don Gregorio cocktail, before venturing past Havana’s popular Malecón waterfront esplanade and into the older part of the city. At La Floridita, a former hangout of the writer, you can peruse literary memorabilia and see the life-size bronze statue of Hemingway. A walk by Obispo Street to Hotel Ambos Mundos, where Hemingway lived for seven years in the 1930s, will allow you the opportunity to take pictures of the outside of the hotel before returning by foot to the ship.
- ***Old Havana Heritage Walking Tour*** –Discover Havana’s captivating history and cultural charms on a half-day adventure that includes a guided walking tour through the city’s old quarter. Alongside your informative guide, head out on foot along the cobblestone streets of Old Havana, where you’ll explore four of the district’s iconic squares: Plaza San Francisco de Asis is known for its white marble lion-featured fountain; Plaza de Armas is Havana’s oldest square, dating back to the late 1700s; Plaza Vieja vaunts eclectic architecture; and Plaza de la Catedral is home to one of the oldest cathedrals in the Americas. To add some flavor to the day, you’ll stop by the Melia Cohiba or Melia Habana for a tasting of Habanos and Cuban Rum which will include the lighting ceremony of the Tobacco.
- ***Best of Havana*** –Come along for a full-day, all-encompassing trip through Havana, as you spend seven hours exploring the city’s, sprawling cemetery, notable square, artsy neighborhoods, artisan market, literary connections

and authentic cuisine. You'll first make a stop at Colon Cemetery, where more than 500 famous Cuban filmmakers, politicians and baseball players rest in peace under marble gravestones. Admire local artist Jose Rodriguez Fuster's brightly hued sculptures in the Fusterlandia neighborhood and then indulge in a delicious Cuban lunch. Your panoramic bus tour leads you to Finca Vigia, the former "lookout house" of American novelist Ernest Hemingway, as well as Revolution Square, where you'll hear about the country's large-scale political rallies. Travel past the National Capitol Building in route to the Almacenes San Jose, a craft market built in 1885 where you can shop for leather goods, ceramic pieces, ornamental items, guayaberas, paintings and Afro-Cuban instruments. This daylong adventure delivers a comprehensive overview of Cuba's capital city—and is a must-do for all travelers coming to Cuba for the first time.

- *Cabaret Parisien –Delight in a captivating evening spent in Havana as you enter the historic Hotel Nacional de Cuba to watch the mesmerizing "Cubano, Cubano" cabaret showcase, complete with live music, song and dance. Soak up the twinkling cityscapes of Cuba's capital city while traveling by coach along the romantic Malecon waterfront promenade. Step inside the art deco Hotel Nacional de Cuba, an elegant, Old World hotel where famous patrons the likes of Frank Sinatra, Ava Gardner and Winston Churchill once stayed. Then take your seat, with complimentary Cuban mojito or local beer in hand, and prepare to be blown away by a vibrant cabaret experience. A fusion of Indo-American, Latino and African cultures, this Parisien extravaganza features colorfully costumed dancers executing electrifying choreography as well as live singers and musicians—all in one spectacular display of entertainment.*
- *Café Taberna –Prepare to experience an evening full of Cuban culture, flavors and entertainment as you explore Old Havana and Plaza de San Francisco before enjoying live music, plus drinks and food at the world-famous Café Taberna. Glimpse Cuba's capital city by night as you travel past glowing streetscapes and a mixture of Baroque and Neoclassical architecture. In the core of the historic city-center you'll take a guided stroll along narrow cobbled streets into Plaza de San Francisco, home to a 17th-century church and convent facing the harbor. Then enter Café Taberna, the first café in Havana dating back to 1772. Here is where you'll learn all about beloved Cuban singer Benny More and savor a selection of mojito cocktails, local beer and small plates. You'll also be blown away by the songs of the Grammy Award-winning group Buena Vista Social Club, with a live concert featuring musicians performing tunes that span from the 1950s to contemporary rhythms. This is your chance to experience Havana's "Traditions of Yesterday, Today and Always".*
- *Tropicana Cabaret –The stage is set for you to be enraptured by Cuba's world-famous Tropicana Cabaret, with an open-air, evening extravaganza unlike you've ever experienced before. Since opening in 1939 in Havana's suburb of Marianao, the Tropicana continues to present Las Vegas-style variety shows and musicals that highlight Cuban and Caribbean folklore. It's become one of Cuba's most beloved attractions, and you'll experience it all with a package that includes entrance to the show, assigned seating, a welcome drink, plus a ¼ bottle of Havana Club rum with a mixer to stir up cocktails throughout the evening. Settle into your seat nestled under the open sky and tropical garden environs. Once it is show time, you'll be awed as nearly 200 glitzy performers and showgirls festooned in feathered headdresses and colorful costumes take the stage to sing and dance accompanied by a live orchestra that delivers the rhythms of Latin jazz, rumba, conga and salsa. This is an authentic Cuban tradition you can't miss—and certainly won't soon forget.*

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