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With only enough space for up to 25 travelers, this trip will fill up quickly. Don’t miss the chance to immerse yourself in the fascinating heritage of Havana, one of the world’s most complex and vibrant cities, during a time of historic change.

Sincerely,

Kathy Hart
Associate Executive Director

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MAXIMUM OF 25 PARTICIPANTS
For information and to register, call GO NEXT at 800-842-9023
For all other inquiries, call Kathy Hart or Jenna Cobb at 800-627-2586
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Go Next, Inc. (hereinafter GN), located at 8000 West 78th Street, Suite 345, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55439-2538, in return for full payment by you of the amounts specified, is responsible for arranging all included transportation, accommodations and other services as included in this brochure as of the date you have selected them, and subject to the following terms and conditions. Unless expressly specified as included by this brochure, taxes and fees are not included.

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The following charges will be assessed for cancellations.

IF YOU CHANGE PLANS OR CANCEL, YOUR RIGHTS TO A REFUND ARE LIMITED:

The rights and remedies relating to cancellations made available under this agreement are in addition to any other rights or remedies available under applicable law. However, we offer any refunds under this agreement with the express understanding that the receipt of that refund by you waives all other remedies.

AVAILABILITY: A deposit is required to confirm your interest in participating in Cuba. GN’s OFAC authorized travel service provider will endeavor to assist travelers in applying for the necessary visa subject to the following. A signed, valid passport is required for each person and it is suggested that if you do not already have your passport that you apply for it immediately. If you currently have a valid passport, it must be valid a minimum of 6 months after your scheduled date of return to meet the requirements for your visa. Visa assistance will only be provided for those travelers paid in full 45 days prior to departure.

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ADVISING: When you are traveling outside of the United States, please be aware that significantly different health, safety and legal standards may prevail. You should plan and act accordingly and exercise good personal judgment for your own health and safety at all times when abroad. If you have any general medical or physical requirements, you should investigate your destination’s (i.e. health and care conditions and you need will be available.

TRAVEL INSURANCE IS AVAILABLE AND CAN PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES THAT COULD DISRUPT YOUR TRIP. SEE PANEL ABOVE.

INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS ONLY: International travel involves stringent identification and documentation requirements. Be sure you are familiar with these requirements prior to planning your travel

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$3,999 per person, double occupancy; Single occupancy, add $900

Hotel bed request:
Check one: □ Twin (2 beds) □ Double (1 bed) Accommodation requests are subject to hotel availability.

PLEASE MAKE YOUR ARRANGEMENTS TO ARRIVE IN MIAMI ON OCTOBER 27.
Crowne Plaza Miami International Airport hotel check-in is at 3pm.

You may contact Go Next to arrange domestic Miami flights (a $35 administrative fee per reservation will apply). All passengers must travel with a passport valid at least 6 months beyond their return date.

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DEPOSIT AND FINAL PAYMENT: A deposit of $950 per person is due with your reservation application. Make checks payable to Go Next. Full payment is required by July 8, 2016. Reservations received after this date must be accompanied with full payment.

Please reserve ________ space(s). Enclosed is my/our deposit for $ ________

Deposits may be made by credit card; however, all FINAL payments are required to be made by check or cash.

I/We authorize Go Next, Inc. to charge my/our credit card for the deposit of $ ________
Name (as it appears on your credit card) _____________________________________________________________________________________

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WHY TRAVEL TO CUBA
WITH GoNext?

SINCE 2013, Go Next travelers have embarked on outstanding people-to-people trips, each helping the dream of experiencing Cuba transform into reality. Now it’s your turn. Journey with Go Next, a leader in alumni and affinity group travel to this island nation, and watch your vision of Cuba come to vivid life. Let us show you the best of this long-forbidden country—its authentic glory, fascinating culture, and architectural majesty—while enhancing your adventure with these benefits of traveling with Go Next:

• Privileged access to the premier hotels, motor coaches, and seasoned local guides
• Enriching and informative program, thoughtfully crafted to include an ideal mix of renowned attractions and off-the-beaten-path sites
• Smaller group size, allowing for a more rewarding, intimate experience
• On-location Go Next Program Manager to provide exceptional concierge support throughout your journey
• Special activities including private studio visits and expert-led tours
• Pre-trip assistance and information including an orientation guide, book and film list, and more
• All the details are covered; we obtain the Cuban visa and provide all documentation
• Discover Cuba with a like-minded group of fellow Go Next travelers

People-to-people travel dictates that all participants follow a full-time schedule focusing on educational opportunities and genuine cross-cultural connections.
Havana:
An Inspiring Haven of History, Culture, and Architectural Majesty

Welcome to Cuba’s capital city, a vibrant cultural oasis edging glittering seas. Founded in the early 1500s by Spanish conquistadors, plundered by pirates, occupied by the British, and later transformed into a notorious gambling hub by American gangsters, today Havana offers a setting as colorful as its 500-year-long history. Embark on a journey to this spirited metropolis and experience a remarkable revolution of the senses: from neighborhoods vibrantly alive with vivid murals, to glistening vintage cars rolling down cobbled streets, from the faint aroma of an authentic Cuban cigar lingering in the air, to majestic colonial palaces juxtaposed with 1950s-era hotels and timeworn architecture.

Havana demands to be explored up close and in depth. Discover the city’s thriving cultural heart, Vedado, teeming with contemporary art galleries, classic cabarets, inviting paladares, and renowned museums; stroll along the famous seafront promenade, Malecón; encounter the urban sophistication of Miramar, a suburb with lush, tree-fringed avenues and modern architecture; or amble the cobbled streets of the old colonial core, Habana Vieja, awash with leafy, monument-rich plazas and beautifully restored architecture—from impressive 16th-century fortresses to enchanting cathedrals and pastel-colored mansions. No matter where Havana’s streets lead you, a restless fusion of past and present—revolution and rebirth—seems to echo around every corner.

The features listed on the right are samples of the activities you may participate in. You will receive a detailed daily itinerary approximately 14 days prior to departure. While unlikely, slight changes to the itinerary and accommodations may occur due to Cuban government directives. *In the event a school or other venue is closed, an alternate people-to-people exchange will be scheduled.

PARTICIPANTS SHOULD BE IN GOOD PHYSICAL CONDITION. This program involves motor coach and walking tours with more than a moderate amount of walking on cobblestone streets, stairs, and uneven ground. The daily tours can include moderate to strenuous walking, primarily over natural and uneven surfaces. There are numerous steps and indines to negotiate and many sites do not have elevators.
• Enjoy a panoramic sightseeing tour and walking tour of Old Havana, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, filled with timeless Spanish colonial buildings, churches, and palm-fringed plazas.
• Embark on a guided campus tour of the University of Havana*, Cuba’s oldest university and one of the first established in the Americas, and discuss the Cuban higher education system.
• Meet with an official representative of the Office of the City Historian who will describe various aspects of Old Havana’s sustainable development, current urban planning practices, and unique historic preservation program.
• Gain insight into Cuba’s film industry and culture at the Cuban Institute of Cinematographic Art and Industry, created in 1959 to improve the quality of Cuban films—focusing on education and artistic expression.
• Experience a panoramic tour of the District of Alamar, a 1970s social housing project of Soviet-style concrete apartments—that today is home to thousands of Cubans.
• Chat with locals about organic farming at Organopónico Vivero Alamar, one of Havana’s largest and most successful cooperative urban gardens.
• See how art can transform a neighborhood at Muraleando, a vibrant community outreach project founded by local residents.
• Travel south of Havana to Las Terrazas, a self-sustaining community and UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, surrounded by lush, forested hills.
  – Get a rare glimpse into rural Cuba’s medical services at a local clinic.
  – Sample coffee at Café Maria, where the owner and her family welcome visitors and explain the role of coffee in Cuba’s culture.
  – Visit the lakeside studio of Lester Campa, a celebrated landscape artist whose pieces reflect political and environmental themes, or stop at the workshop of local artist Ariel Gato Miranda to view his unique paper recycling process.
• Visit the home of renowned ceramicist and painter José Rodríguez Fuster, known as the “Picasso of the Caribbean.” See how his creative vision has transformed the local neighborhood into a colorful, artistic landscape.
• Head to the fishing village of Cojimar, the setting for Ernest Hemingway’s book The Old Man and the Sea, and visit Finca Vigía, the mansion where he lived from 1939 to 1960.
• Explore the artist studio project La Lavandería and meet with a local artist to learn about traditional art in Cuba.
• At dinners held in privately owned restaurants or private homes known as paladares, hear firsthand from the owners about the entrepreneurial climate in Cuba.
MIAMI INCLUDED FEATURES:
• 1 night at the Crowne Plaza Miami International Airport hotel or similar accommodations
• Orientation meeting in the evening
• Exclusive local representative

HAVANA INCLUDED FEATURES:
• Round-trip charter flight between Miami and Havana
• 4 nights’ accommodations
• 11 meals: 4 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 3 dinners, including a welcome and farewell dinner in Havana (one local beverage is included with each meal)
• Transportation via private, A/C vehicles with 2 bottles of water per person, per day
• Full schedule of educational activities that result in meaningful interaction with the locals
• Certification of travel to Cuba under the U.S. Department of the Treasury general license
• All entrance fees to included tour sites
• Private English-speaking national guide
• Exclusive Go Next Program Manager
• Gratuities for restaurant staff, local guides and drivers, and luggage handling
• Insightful presentation led by a Cuban expert, providing unique commentary on the nation’s economy and culture
• Cuban travel insurance covering medical repatriation expenses only, as required by the Cuban government, valid only during your stay in Cuba

NOT INCLUDED:
Airfare between home and Miami, passport fees, Cuban visa fee of approximately $85, Cuban departure tax of approximately $25, beverages other than those included with meals as indicated, personal expenses, optional travel insurance, baggage fees, and other items not specifically mentioned as included.

The fees above are approximate and subject to change.

$3,999 PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY
PARQUE CENTRAL HOTEL—Havana
Positioned in the cultural heart of Old Havana, the Parque Central Hotel is just a short distance from the historic Plaza de la Catedral, the Capitol, and the Havana Harbor. This Spanish colonial-style hotel offers an array of modern amenities, including restaurants, snack bars, lounges, a fitness room, a massage room, and a rooftop pool. Each classic guest room radiates a warm ambience with rich wood furniture and features a satellite TV, a safe, air conditioning, and a hair dryer.