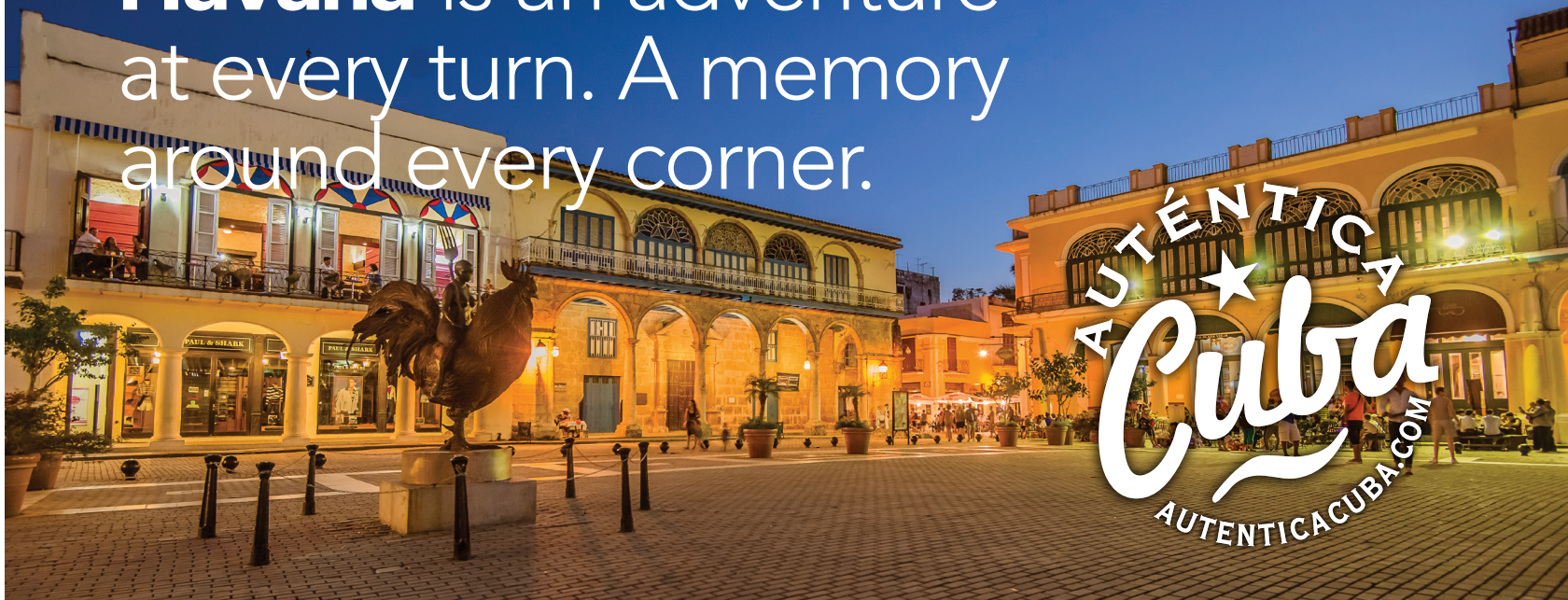


Havana is an adventure at every turn. A memory around every corner.



It's everything you thought it was, but more.

A world-class city with a perfect mix of authentic culture, rich history and breathtaking sights.

Havana, on the northwest coast of Cuba, was founded in 1519 and is one of the Caribbean's largest cities with a population over 2 million.

Old Havana's historic center was designated a UNESCO World Heritage 1982, and in 2015, Havana itself, declared one of the "New 7 Wonder Cities" of the world.

To say Havana is unique, is an understatement of epic proportions. You'll find yourself mesmerized by the eclectic architecture and dramatic colors. The rhythms of Cuba envelope you as you stroll the cobblestone streets and bustling plazas where music and dance greet you around virtually every corner.

As if that wasn't enough, prepare to have your eyes widened, your mind inspired by cutting-edge contemporary art and fulfilled by the creative cuisine of quite possibly the next gastronomic capital of the world.



Old Havana.

As you might gather from the name, it's the old historical center, surrounded by walls and fortresses.

Almost 500 historical buildings that were built going as far back as the 16th century, creating a very attractive combination of architectural styles, like Baroque, neo-classical and art nouveau. The best way to explore it all is by walking.

Places to visit:

The main squares are Plaza de Armas, Old Square, Cathedral Square and San Francisco Square. There's also El Templete, The Palace of the Captains-General, La real Fuerza fortress, The Morro Castle and San Carlos de la cabana fortress. The latter, complete with a 9pm cannon ceremony. There's El Prado promenade, Fine Arts Museum, Museum of the Revolution, Capitol Building, Cigar Factory Partagas, Rum Museum, Grand Theatre of Havana, La Bodeguita del Medio and El Floridita.



Modern Havana.

Since the late 19th century the city's center has moved west from Old Havana. It's known to be one of the best-planned areas of the capital. There were strict rules for the construction here, in stark contrast with Old Havana, where the buildings are quite dense, the buildings here had to be at least five metres apart.

Leaving space for gardens, wide avenues and sidewalks (minimum two meters), all the blocks are completely square (100 meters per side) and the streets are conveniently named with letters and numbers.

In the early 1900s, wealthy Cubans and Americans built palatial homes here. The late fifties were Vedado's peak, where Havana's highest buildings raised right and left as well as numerous hotels, nightclubs, theatres and restaurants.

Places to visit:

La Rampa, Coppelia (ice-cream parlor), Malecon (waterfront promenade, busy 24/7 and safe to walk along at any hour of the day), Revolution square, Hamel Alley, Parisien Nightclub and Havana café (among the wide range of nightclubs and bars in this area).

Miramar.

West of the city, Miramar was a very exclusive country club district before the Revolution. The wide, tree-lined avenues are home to magnificent mansions from the 1940s and 1950s. Many diplomatic offices in Cuba are located here. There's also a new business and commercial center as well as hotels, restaurants, the largest theatre in Havana (Karl Marx Theatre) and the International Conference Centre.



Entertainment and nightlife.

The range of cultural activities in Havana is virtually endless.

There are nine theatres (Gran Theatre of Havana, Amadeo Roldan, Jazz Festival, National Theatre, Karl Marx Theatre), 14 art galleries, 55 museums, several cultural houses, festivals, nightlife and entertainment.

Places to visit:

Tropicana, La Maison, Marina Hemingway, National aquarium, Stroll 5th Avenue, Fusterlandia.



Eastern Havana.

Only 20 minutes from the city, visitors will find impressive sandy beaches, Santa Maria is the better-known and it has several hotels.

Jibacoa is located between Havana and Varadero, close to the town of the same name. Here, visitors will find an incredible combination of sea and mountains that border the sandy coastline.

Cojimar, a seaside town to the east of Havana, prides itself on having been one of the Hemingway's favorites. This is where he used to keep his yacht, Pilar and was the setting the writer chose for his novel The Old Man and the Sea. Hemingway would often go to La Terraza Restaurant to spend time with the local fishermen. This seafood restaurant is popular today.

Tours and excursions:

- City tours
- Museum Tours
- Canon firing ceremony
- Sugar cane excursion
- Visit to Eastern Beaches of Havana
- Visit to Pinar Del Rio
- Visit to Lenin Park
- Gran Palenque Rumba area (National Folklore Group)

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