

Discover Cuba Cars, Cigars and Hemingway! See Cuba from the luxury and comfort of your 5-star floating hotel! Visit before it's changed forever! 5-Star Cruising with only 680 guests and a crew of 400

Onboard the Azamara Journey - Featuring Free Flowing Wine, Beer and Spirits

February 19 - March 1, 2019

10 Day - 9 Night Cruise

Join us on the Azamara Journey as we sail to Cuba! Cuba is a country of indefinable magic with rich dichotomies that make travel here exciting and exhilarating. Trapped in a time warp, it is a country where you expect the unexpected. Cuba's colonial cities haven't changed much since musket-toting pirates stalked the Caribbean. The atmosphere and architecture is particularly stirring in Havana where grandiose squares and cobbled streets tell tales of opulence and intrigue. Visiting Cuba is like going back in time to the 1950's - vintage cars, a relaxes atmosphere and no hurries. **By sailing with TRIPS onboard the Azamara Journey, you enjoy all of the comforts of your 5-star ship and yet are able to visit 3 ports while in Cuba, including an overnight stay in Havana! Very few ships are capable of porting in all 3 harbors making this the perfect way to experience Cuba! Experience Cuba now with TRIPS and Azamara. It's the best way to enjoy the time-warped naivety - and still enjoy the comforts and amenities of the Azamara Journey. Sign up today and Discover Cuba, Cigars and Hemingway with us.**

Itinerary

February 19, 2019 - Travel to Miami

Board your flight for Miami today where on arrival you'll be met by your TRIPS representative. You'll be assisted with your transfer to your hotel with the remainder of the day, including dinner, at your leisure. Overnight: Miami

February 20, 2019 - Your Journey, Azamara Style, Begins!

After breakfast at your hotel, transfer to the Azamara Journey, your home for the next 9 nights. Settle in to your stateroom with all the style and amenities of a boutique hotel. As the Journey sails from the port of Miami at **5pm**, it's the perfect time to enjoy a refreshing cocktail and enjoy the cool sea breeze! An exclusive that you're bound to enjoy one night during your cruise is the AzAmazing Evening, a fun-filled, destination specific on-shore event! (B/LD)

February 21, 2019 - The Azamara Difference!

Discover the difference of an Azamara Club Cruise as you sail towards Cuba! You'll love the genial club-like atmosphere onboard, and with a capacity of just 690 guests, you'll never feel crowded in the comfortable spaces. You might choose to treat yourself to a treatment in the Sanctum Spa and of course you'll also find complimentary onboard fitness classes. Dining options are varied from elegant to casual with free flowing international beers and wine. Cap your evening off at the Cabaret Lounge featuring musical reviews, classical soloists and more! After a full day of sailing, you dock in Havana tonight at 9pm. (B/L/D)

February 22, 2019 - Discover Havana

This is your chance to discover the rich heritage, cultural treasures and authentic cuisine of Cuba! From the Colon Cemetery where more than 500 famed Cuban filmmakers, politicos and baseball players are laid to rest to the artful neighborhood of Fusterlandia. Perhaps visit nearby Finca Vigía, the home in which Ernest Hemmingway penned some of his greatest works including For Whom the Bell Tolls and Old Man and the Sea. Along the way, be sure and stop in at a local cafe to sample traditional foods, a freshly made mojito or linger over a cup of coffee. This evening you might opt to visit Cabaret Parisién and marvel at the famed "Cuban, Cuban" cabaret. This colorful show brings island culture to life and has welcomed the likes of Frank Sinatra, Ava Gardner and Winston Churchill. It's an unforgettable way to celebrate Cuban heritage and culture. You'll be docked in Havana overnight, it's the perfect time to enjoy the nightlife this city is so famous for! (B/L/D)

February 23, 2019 - Havana: Cobblestones, Crafts and Cars!

As you continue to explore Havana, don't miss the local craft market -Almacenes San José. Operating since 1885, it is the ideal place to find leathers, ceramics, guayaberas and other remembrances of a day spent exploring Cuba's capital city. You might choose to stroll through the cobblestone streets of Old Havana taking in her storied squares, pausing at the eclectic facades lining the Plaza Vieja and visiting Plaza de la Catedral, home to one of the oldest cathedrals in America. And of course you can't miss the vintage US cars - some 60,000 - that have become a vital part of Havana's tourism industry. You'll feel as though you're been transported back to you teenage years in the 1950s! These classic cars, as brightly colored as the frosting on a birthday cake, have become a symbol of today's Cuba. (B/L/D)

February 24, 2019 - At Sea Cruising

Enjoy the day onboard the comfortably sized Azamara Journey where you'll find the atmosphere to be club-like, casual but never stuffy! Every Azamara Club voyage is packed with complimentary, high-value amenities that are sure to put a smile on your face! Find fresh cut flowers in your stateroom along with Egyptian cotton bed linens and terry bathrobes. As you dine, select standard spirits, international beers and wines are included. This evening, why not stop into the Casino **Luxe** or just relax in one of the comfortable lounges onboard. (B/L/D)

February 25, 2019 - Cuba's Pearl of the South - Cienfuegos

You have a full day in the **colonial waterfront town of Cienfuegos**, known as La Perla del Sur, or **Pearl of the South**. Cienfuegos literally translates to "one hundred fires", and the town certainly adds a bright light to this fascinating country. You'll find an **elegant French charm** here with the names of many streets named after the first settlers from Bordeaux and Louisiana. Enjoy the pleasant sea breeze as you take in the neoclassical, art nouveau and art deco styles the town offers. You might choose to explore **Castillo de Jagua**, a 17th century Spanish fortress. Discover the staggering collection of tropical plants of the **Jardín Botánico de Cienfuegos**, an extraordinary botanic garden. Or simply relax next to the clear water and sandy beaches of **Playa Rancho Luna**! You'll be docked here from **8am** to **6pm**. (B/L/D)

<u>February 26, 20189 - At Sea</u>

Relax onboard the Azamara Journey today and enjoy a wide variety of amenities. **Enrichment programs** provide port of call lectures focusing on history and culture and provide a wealth of knowledge. In addition, don't miss the **wine tastings hosted by the sommelier** and culinary demonstrations. And don't miss out on the onboard shopping opportunities! **Indulgences** features an exquisite selection of fine jewelry and watches that are sure to delight even the most discriminating tastes! And once every cruise, let loose at **Azamara's White Night** party where wearing white is optional, but encouraged! (B/L/D)

February 27, 2019 - Bacardi to Castro - Into Santiago de Cuba!

Dock in **Santiago de Cuba** this morning at **7:30am**. Cuba's second largest city is bustling and bursting at the seams with fascinating history and cultural life. This is the launching pad of Castro's revolution, the home of **Bacardi's first rum factory** and the birthplace of myriad forms of Cuban music. Enjoy breathtaking views for a **legendary 16th century fort** known as "El Morro" or visit **Cementerio Santa Ifigenia**. One of the most historically significant cemeteries in Cuba, its hallowed grounds are home to the victims of the War of Independence as well as the **final resting place of Fidel Castro**. Return to the Journey in time for a **3pm** sailing. (B/L/D)

February 28, 2019 - At Sea Cruising

As you cruise toward Miami, reflect on the past days as you've **discovered Cuba**! From the **classic Cuba Libre** to colorful buildings, it's been a remarkable experience. Enjoy the **sophisticated ambiance of the Journey** as you find that perfect spot to enjoy the sun, a refreshing cocktail or quiet moment to yourself. This evening, why not splurge and dine in one of the specialty restaurants. Perhaps a steak cooked to perfection at **Prime C** or some of Italy's most celebrated dishes at **Aqualina**! (B/L/D)

March 1, 2019 - Return to US - disembark Miami 7am

Dock in **Miami** this morning at **7am**. After breakfast, you are assisted with your transfer to the airport to board your flight home. **Memories of Discovering Cuba will be with your for a lifetime!** (B)

