



**WEST LIBERTY UNIVERSITY ALUMNI & FRIENDS CRUISE!!**

**ROYAL CARIBBEAN EMPRESS OF THE SEAS**

**JUNE 2 – 6, 2018**

**5 DAYS / 4 NIGHTS**

**TAMPA/KEY WEST/HAVANA**

**Cruise Itinerary**

**(Cabin, food, entertainment included on board)**

**Dinner at 6:30 pm (8:30 pm not available)**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Port Location</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Depart</u>
2 Jun	Tampa, Florida		4:00 PM
3 Jun	Key West, Florida	12:30 pm	7:00 pm
4 Jun	Havana, Cuba	8:00 am	8:00 pm
5 Jun	Cruising		
6 Jun	Tampa, Florida	7:00 am	

## **TOUR OPTIONS – (SIGN IN WITH FINAL PAYMENT BY JANUARY 15, 2018)**

### **Walking City Tour – Four Plazas - (Appx. Time 9:00 am to 12:45 pm - \$15 pp)**

- Start at Plaza de San Francisco de Asis. Immediately inland of Havana harbor, Plaza de San Francisco (on Avenida del Puerto at Amargura) is one of the four leading plazas laid out in the 17th century. The spacious cobbled square, which was fully restored in the 1990s, takes its current name from the Franciscan convent built there. One of its architecture beauty is the domed Lonja del Comercio Building, and the boutique hotel Palacio del Marques de San Felipe y Santiago de Bejucal.
- Continue to Plaza Vieja. In the 1980s, when Old Havana was listed by UNESCO as a Cultural Heritage site, architects and restorers began to work to save the Plaza Vieja. The 16th-century Plaza Vieja has always been a residential rather than a military, religious or administrative space, and is surrounded by elegant colonial residences, combined with a few very striking early 20th-century art nouveau buildings. Restoration is gradually re-establishing Plaza Vieja's original atmosphere; the Carrara showpiece fountain at the center of the square is a replica of the original 18th-century one by Italian sculptor Giorgio Massari that was destroyed by the construction of the car park; and many of the 18th-century residences around the square are now restored with housing on the top floors and commercial establishments, including several small museums and art/photo galleries, on the ground floor.
- Next Plaza La Cathedral Plaza. The last of the main squares to be created, this is one of Old Havana's most beautiful spots. After the plaza was paved in colonial times, wealthy families moved into the area and began building their mansions there. It finally became Plaza de la Catedral after the old Iglesia de la Compañía de Jesús was consecrated as a cathedral. Today the plaza is the home of art galleries, museums and restaurants.
- Stop by the famous La Bodeguita del Medio for a photo shot (one of Hemingway's favorite).
- Last, visit Plaza de Armas and Castillo La Fuerza (entrance optional and not included), in which treasures from the islands were collected to be shipped to Spain.

Cuban Lunch at Colonial La Moneda Cubana Restaurant at La Catedral Plaza \$35 pp



**Classic Car Ride – One Hour Panoramic View of Habana (3:30 pm – 4:30 pm \$25 pp – 4 per car)**

Habana Malecon, Hotel Nacional, Miramar, Bosque de la Habana, Revolucion Square, Capitol Building, Grand Theatre, Central Park.



