



Packing List for Cuba

The weather in Cuba is very similar to that in Key West, but a little milder as it is an island. During the summer months it will be in the 90's, while in January plan for 80's. Night time lows are around 15 degrees less than the daytime. The rainy season is May thru October with much higher humidity. You should bring the following:

- A daypack for extra clothes, swimwear and masks and any items you might purchase.
- A light rain jacket for the unpredictable rain showers.
- A light fleece sweater/pullover for cool evenings.
- Long pair of pants, jeans or similar.
- Light shirts/tops for the day tours. I suggest that you avoid cottons and bring micro wicking fabrics.
- Long Sleeved sun shirt.
- A stout pair of walking shoes/sneakers.
- Shorts to go with your tops.
- If you plan to snorkel, bring a mask. We have fins onboard.
- While sleeping on Kia Ora, something comfortable. When we are in the marina a/c will work. However during our transit to/from Cuba, the a/c will not operate, so plan on it being a bit warmer than usual in your cabin.
- You may want to bring something nicer for an evening out.
- Hemingway Marina does not have a pool or beach. It does have shops to buy cigars and rum.

As you pack, keep in mind that the storage in each cabin is extremely limited. There is a 14 inch wide closet to hang items. Each cabin also has 1 large drawer under the bed. There are a few hooks on the back of the doors also.

Your Luggage should be soft sided that can be collapsed. **DO NOT** bring hard sided luggage or nice quality luggage. All of the luggage will be collapsed and stored in a locker outside of your cabin and subject to moisture.

The sail over or back might get a bit bumpy. If you have any predilection to getting seasick, Dramamine started the day of or even the day before the sail is recommended. Once we get to the marina, things will be calm.

While we are in Cuba, we will be using the Marina showers. The water in Cuba is awful and we need to conserve the boat water for drinking. Plan to travel with your soaps/shampoos, perhaps in a basket, to the marina showers. **BRING SHOWER SHOES.** The marina showers are very clean, but they do not always have toilet paper.

Of course, don't forget

- Sunglasses.
- Suntan lotion. There is an array of strengths on the boat for your use as well.
- Music of your choice.
- Extra medications if we get delayed in Cuba due to weather.
- While we are in the marina, you will be able to use blow dryers/curling irons.