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## Tickets now on sale for Alaska's new flights to Havana

### Only nonstop flight to Cuba from the West Coast will start Jan. 5, 2017

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Alaska will launch historic new flying to Havana, Cuba on Jan. 5, 2017. The daily nonstop flight from Los Angeles is among the first regularly scheduled commercial flights to the island country in more than 50 years, and is the only nonstop flight to Cuba from the West Coast. Tickets for the new routes will go on sale today with fares starting from \$229.

“This is a historic year for U.S. travelers, who can now fly to Cuba from the U.S. on scheduled commercial service for the first time in more than 50 years,” said **Andrew Harrison**, chief commercial officer. “We’d like to thank the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Cuban government for providing Alaska Airlines the opportunity to operate the only daily, nonstop flights from the West Coast to Cuba.”

The flights were awarded by the [DOT in August](#), and remain subject to approval by the Cuban government.

Customers flying from Seattle and Anchorage, Alaska will also enjoy convenient connections to the new route.

“We are focused on strengthening our presence in the Los Angeles area, with daily service to 25 destinations from four area airports,” Harrison said. “With the addition of nonstop flights to and from two cities in Costa Rica last fall, and now Havana, we’ll offer up to 87 peak season weekly departures from Southern California to Latin America – more than any other airline.”

Alaska is one of eight airlines scheduled to begin service to Havana. American, Delta, Frontier, JetBlue, Southwest, Spirit and United will also be serving Havana from the U.S.

Schedule of new service:

Start date	Departure Time	Arrival Time
Jan. 5	LAX: 8:50 a.m.	HAV: 4:55p.m.
Jan. 5	HAV: 5:55 p.m.	LAX: 9p.m.

**All times based on local time zones. All flights operate daily.**

Travel to Cuba requires advance planning. The U.S. government does not currently allow U.S. citizens or travelers flying on U.S. airlines to visit Cuba strictly for tourism. Travelers must fall into one of 12 approved categories, including family visits, educational activities and public performances or exhibitions.

To aid customers interested in visiting Cuba, Alaska is working with Cuba Travel Services, the leading travel company serving the destination with more than 17 years of experience. Customers are encouraged to contact Cuba Travel Services for assistance securing travel visas, hotel lodging, and ground transportation and creating itineraries, among other things

"We are proud to build a new partnership with Alaska Airlines and excited to contribute in their efforts," said Michael Zuccato, General Manager at Cuba Travel Services.

Learn more at [alaskaair.com/cuba](http://alaskaair.com/cuba).