



CAYO LARGO, CUBA

Cuba is located 90 miles south of Key West, and lies at the entrance to the Gulf of Mexico between Florida and Central America. Located in the southern part of the country, the Cuban Government has made the area around Cayo Largo some 240 square kilometers a prestigious national park - Cayo Largo's playground. The cays of Cayo Largo are uninhabited and apart from those that you fish with the only people you will see are a few commercial lobster fishermen. This area of the Caribbean remains one of the most prolific grand slam destinations we represent.

SPECIES

Main species: bonefish, permit and tarpon
Also present: snook, barracuda and snapper.

TIME OF YEAR

A year round destination in terms of fishing, resident bonefish, permit and tarpon can be targeted throughout the year. Migratory tarpon can also be targeted during the summer months. The weather can be unsettled during low season.

COST

€4,090 per rod based on single accommodation & shared guiding.

FLIGHTS

There are direct flights on Virgin Atlantic from the UK into Havana.

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Cayo Largo is an ideal habitat for bonefish, tarpon and permit. It is made up a series of cays, mangrove lagoons and flats that run for some 50 kilometers. The flats tend to be white sand interspersed with turtle grass ideal for those who want to wade. Around the cays are mangroves and the wading can be a little trickier so fishing is primarily done from the boats. Most days you will have the option of either fishing from the skiff or wading. Through the flats and cays you find deeper channels that provide perfect areas for tarpon to feed on the bountiful shoals of sardines but when the tides are right you can see them move onto the flats providing great sport. Likewise, on the slightly deeper parts of the flats you will see schools of permit and many times you will feel the Grand Slam is seemingly moments away. There are some areas that have still not seen a fisherman or a fly, and part of the fun will be finding new and productive areas.

Bonefish are the most abundant species on the flat, averaging 6 lbs in weight but bigger fish are caught, primarily during the winter months. Tarpon are one of the strongest and most acrobatic of the saltwater species and there are a large number of resident tarpon ranging from 15 lbs to 30 lbs. The migratory fish normally arrive from April to August, amongst which are some very large fish. The permit in Cayo Largo are as frustrating to catch there as they are anywhere else in the world, travelling in small schools of up to about ten with larger permit tending to be more solitary, feeding alone or in pairs. The reef offers fantastic fishing for barracuda, snappers, grouper, Cubera snapper and jack crevalle.

INCLUSIONS	EXCLUSIONS
Return charter flight Cayo Largo / Havana Six days fishing, shared guide/boat at Cayo Largo Seven nights at Villas Marinera, single room, all-inclusive All transfers at Cayo Largo Marine Park Licence Beverages while fishing on the skiff (4 drinks per day, beer/water/sodas)	Meals and drinks not included in Havana Gratuities Travel Insurance Other personal spending International flights Transfers in Havana Hotel nights in Havana Visa costs

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