

36th Southern Cross Brigade Proposed Programme

27th December 2018 to 16th January 2019

Thursday, 27th December 2018

Welcome by ICAP representatives to those Brigadistas already in Habana at ICAP in Vedado.

Transfer to José Martí airport to meet the Brigadistas arriving on the day.

Transfer of all Brigadistas to CIJAM (Campamento Internacional Julio Antonio Mella).

Settling in, dinner then a free night.

Friday, 28th December 2018

08:00 Breakfast

09:30 Brigade Welcome. Laying of flowers at the monument to Julio Antonio Mella.

Visit to the History of the Brigade Room. Explanation of the programme, rules of CIJAM & introduction to the workers.

Planting of a Tree of Friendship in the Bosque Martiano.

11:30 Lunch

13:00 Departure to Artemisa

14:00 Visit to the Memorial for the Martyrs of Artemisa (Memorial a los Mártires de Artemisa).

15:00 Meeting with the members of the party & government of Artemisa.

Explanation of the successful economic & social welfare programme in this province.

20:00 Dinner then the Cuban Night at CIJAM.

Saturday, 29th December 2018

07:00 Breakfast

07:30 Matutino (Morning Meeting)

08:00 Agricultural Work

12:00 Lunch

14:00 Visit the village of San Antonio de los Baños and the Bosque Martiano.

18:00 Dinner

20:00 Dance lessons

Sunday, 30th December 2018

07:30 Breakfast

08:30 Departure for the beach (Las Playas del Este)

12:30 Lunch in a local restaurant

16:00 Return to CIJAM

Dinner then night free

Monday, 31st December 2018

07:30 Breakfast

08:30 Agricultural Work

13:00 Lunch

15:00 Depart for Habana & accommodation at Hotel Habana Paseo (3*)

Free time in the city

21:00 Dinner & cultural activity at the Friendship House (Casa de la Amistad) to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the revolution & the arrival of the New Year

Tuesday, 1st January 2019

01:00 Return to the Hotel

08:00 Breakfast at the Hotel then a free morning

12:00 Hotel check out then free afternoon

17:00 Attendance at el Gran Teatro for la Gala del Ballet Nacional de Cuba dedicated to the anniversary of the triumph of the revolution.

19:00 Return to CIJAM

Dinner. Free night

Wednesday 2nd January 2019

07:00 Breakfast

07:30 Matutino (Morning Meeting)

08:00 Agricultural Work

12:00 Lunch

14:00 Conference on the Cuban Economy & the carrying out of its economic model: results achieved & how wealth is distributed according to political & economic guidelines to benefit Cuban society.

19:00 Dinner

20:00 Dance Classes

Thursday, 3rd January 2019

07:00 Breakfast

07:30 Matutino (Morning Meeting)

08:00 Agricultural Work

12:00 Lunch

14:30 Conference on the electoral process, democracy in Cuba & information about Cuban society

19:00 Dinner

20:00 Dance Classes

Friday, 4th January 2018

08:00 Breakfast

09:30 Visit to la Unidad Central de Colaboración Medica (UCCM). Exchange with members of UCCM.

12:00 Lunch at the Friendship House (La Casa de Amistad)

14:00 Visit to the Museo de Denuncia

16:00 Meeting with representatives from the following organizations: FMC, FEU, UJC, PCC and CTC

18:00 Return to CIJAM

19:30 Dinner

20:30 Showing of a Cuban film

Saturday, 5th January 2019

08:00 Breakfast

09:00 Departure to ExpoCuba

10:30 Visit to ExpoCuba & discussion with the authorities & founders of the centre.

12:30 Lunch in a restaurant

View the exhibition celebrating the 30th anniversary of the foundation.

18:00 Depart for CIJAM

Dinner then a free night

Sunday, 6th January 2019

05:00 Breakfast

05:30 Leave for Ciego de Avila

13:00 Arrival at Hotel Ciego de Avila

Lunch

19:30 Dinner then free night

Monday, 7th January 2019

07:30 Breakfast

09:00 Welcome by the Province & ICAP officials of Ciego de Avila

12:00 Lunch in the Hotel

15:00 Visit to (the School of Arts) La Escuela de Arte "Ñola Saiz" in the Municipality of Ciego de Avila.

Meeting with the students especially those playing clarinet & saxophone.

16:30 Return through the heart of the old centre of the city

19:30 Dinner in the hotel then free night.

Tuesday, 8th January 2019

07:30 Breakfast

08:30 Voluntary work on an important social project

12:00 Lunch in the hotel

15:00 Visit to los Museos de Historia y Artes Decorativas (the Museums of History & Decorative Arts) in the Municipality of Ciego de Avila.

18:00 Return to the hotel

19:00 Dinner in the restaurant Don Ávila

Wednesday, 9th January 2019

07:30 Breakfast

08:00 Departure for the Municipality of Morón

The entire day in the Municipality of Morón with visits to:-

- i) El Policlínico Norte
- ii) La Casa del Abuelo
- iii) Las salas de Atención Medica Internacional (AMI) del Hospital Provincial Roberto Rodríguez Fernandez (the International Medical Waiting Rooms at the provincial hospital)
- iv) El Centro Recreativo-Cultural Laguna “La Redonda”
Lunch at the Recreation & Cultural Centre
- v) El Monumento a Roberto Rodríguez, El Vaquerito
- vi) La Fundación Nicolás Guillén
- vii) La Compañía de Teatro de Morón (Morón Theatre Company) – community projects & various cultural displays

18:00 Return to hotel in Ciego de Avila

19:30 Dinner then free night

Thursday, 10th January 2019

07:30 Breakfast

08:00 Voluntary work on a priority project

12:30 Lunch in the hotel

Free afternoon

Dinner in the hotel

20:30 Farewell activity at a CDR

Friday, 11th January 2019

06:30 Breakfast then check out from the hotel

07:00 Depart for Santa Clara

12:00 Lunch & accommodation at La Casa de Amistad Villa Clara

14:00 Visit to el Mausoleo del Che, el Tren Blindado & other historical sites

19:00 Dinner

20:00 Recreation – cultural activity in Santa Clara

Saturday, 12th January 2019

07:00 Breakfast then check out from rooms

08:00 Depart for CIJAM

12:00 Lunch

Free time *(Rehearsal & planning time for The Aust-NZ Night)*

18:00 Presentation of a local community project

Dinner then free night *(Rehearsal & planning time for The Aust-NZ Night)*

Sunday, 13th January 2019

07:00 Breakfast

07:30 Morning Meeting

08:00 Agricultural work at CIJAM

10:00 Final Production Activity

12:00 Lunch

Preparation for the Aust – N.Z. Night

The Australian – New Zealand Night

20:00 Dinner prepared by the Brigadistas for CIJAM & ICAP workers & their families followed by a performance for them to show our appreciation.

Monday, 14th January 2019

08:00 Breakfast

09:30 Visit to the School of Music - la Escuela de Música Alejandro García Caturia

12:00 Lunch in the Friendship House – la Casa de Amistad

14:00 Tour of the Historic Centre of Habana

18:30 Return to CIJAM

19:30 Dinner then free night

Tuesday, 15th January 2019

08:00 Breakfast

09:30 Conference on the closing of ties between Cuba & the U.S.A.

13:00 Lunch

16:00 Closure of the 36th Southern Cross Brigade – Final Declaration by the brigadistas, delivered by the Brigade Leader or a delegated representative.

18:30 Dinner

20:00 Farewell Cultural Activity

Wednesday, 16th January 2019

08:00 Breakfast

10:00 Departure from CIJAM to the airport for those leaving Cuba then on to La Habana for those staying in Cuba.

Please note there may be some minor variations to the programme due to weather or unforeseen circumstances but where possible the programme will be as above.

The following changes have yet to be scheduled in:-

i) ICAP is scheduling in the usual run (jog/walk for those less able) from CIJAM to the nearby village of Guayabal.

ii) Cienfuegos may be visited on route to or from Ciego de Avila as it celebrates its 200th anniversary in 2019