

## Happy Spring! Happy Holidays!

I love this time of year. I always feel like it is the prelude to something new and fresh. The Passover Seder reminds of us of our past and what we overcame, but I always like to think of what we were and are able to do with our freedom. In Cuba we met so many wonderful people who had so little and needed so much, from medicine to food. I brought two groups there, one was a custom family trip that focused on the Jewish communities and the other Steppin Out group had more activity incorporated. But both groups had such amazing people who clearly understood their own freedom and good fortune and continually gave and supported the Cuban people they met. Among many things, I brought my mom's prescriptions and my dad's clothes that he never wore and knew that they would have been so happy that they were helping others. And while there will be an emptiness and sadness at our Seder, I am content to know that their legacy of giving and helping others will live on through me and my sisters.

Wishing everyone celebrating a meaningful holiday.



## That's a wrap on Cuba 2023!

Our 2023 trip to Cuba has officially wrapped, where we had the opportunity to immerse ourselves in the vibrant culture of the country. We met with a variety of locals, including artists, musicians, and farmers to name a few!

During our 10-day trip, we visited several places, including Viñales, Las Terrazas, Cienfuegos, and Trinidad. We explored the countryside and learned about the local production of coffee beans, guava, and honey. We visited a tobacco farm, where we had the opportunity to roll our own cigars.

We also had the chance to participate in a variety of activities, such as hiking, biking, kayaking, and horseback riding. We even took salsa lessons and had a cooking lesson which was an unforgettable experience.

One of the highlights of our trip was attending Friday night services at a synagogue in Havana and having dinner with the congregation. We also visited a primary school and rode in old cars, immersing ourselves in the country's rich history and culture.

Overall, visiting Cuba was an extraordinary experience. We had an action-packed trip filled with unique experiences that could never be done commercially.

If you want to join us on a future trip or if you'd like us to put together a trip for you and your family or friends based on your own interests (music, art, nutrition, public health, marine conservation and more- contact us.

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