

Cubana is offering more domestic flights again



The state-owned airline Cubana has updated its flight schedules (source: [Oleg V. Belyakov/Commons/CC-BY-SA 3.0](#))

The Cuban state airline [Cubana de Aviación](#) has expanded its domestic connections and revised its flight schedules for routes to and from Havana. As the company [announced](#) on Sunday, the frequency of flights to Santiago de Cuba and Holguín will be increased.

With the new flight schedule, which is effective immediately, Santiago de Cuba will now be served four times a week from the capital. Flights depart on Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m., Thursdays at 3:45 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., and Sundays at 3:45 a.m. Return flights from Santiago to Havana are scheduled for Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. On Thursdays, the plane departs for the capital at 11:30 p.m., and on Fridays at 6:45 p.m.

The route to Holguín will also be rescheduled. From Havana, planes will depart on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. and on Wednesdays at 10:20 p.m. In the opposite direction, flights will depart from Holguín on Mondays at 9:50 p.m. and Wednesdays at 11:30 p.m. The price for the Havana–Santiago route is currently listed at 184 euros on the company's booking portal. Havana–Holguín costs 171 euros.

Desde la Habana

Rutas		Frecuencia	Salida/Llegada
La Habana – Holguín	7874	Lunes	19:30 - 20:50
La Habana – Holguín	434	Viernes	22:20 – 23:50
Habana – Santiago de Cuba	7980	Martes	14:00 – 15:30
Habana – Santiago de Cuba	470	Jueves	03:45 – 05:15
Habana – Santiago de Cuba	7886	Jueves	21:00 – 22:30
Habana – Santiago de Cuba	472	Domingo	03:45 – 05:15

Desde Provincias

Rutas		Frecuencia	Hora de salida
Holguín - La Habana	7875	Lunes	21:50-23:10
Holguín - La Habana	432	Miércoles	23:30 – 01:15+1
Santiago de Cuba – La Habana	7981	Martes	11:30 – 15:30
Santiago de Cuba – La Habana	471	Martes	18:45 – 20:20
Santiago de Cuba – La Habana	7887	Jueves	23:30 – 01:00+1
Santiago de Cuba – La Habana	473	Viernes	18:45 – 20:20

The airline pointed out that customers who purchased their tickets before the change and are affected by the changes can request a refund or rebooking at the sales offices, provided that seats are available. In its announcement, Cubana emphasized that airline tickets can only be purchased through the official website or at its own sales offices. Payment can be made in cash or by bank transfer, as well as via digital payment channels. For more information, see the *guide*: [“Booking tickets for domestic flights in Cuba.”](#)

The resumption and expansion of flights comes against the backdrop of the recent [damage caused by Hurricane Melissa](#). Antonio Maceo International Airport in Santiago de Cuba resumed domestic flight operations on November 13. Work on the power supply and lighting was still ongoing at that time.

Transport Minister Eduardo Rodríguez Dávila explained that the gradual restoration of services in the east of the country would be accompanied by new timetables and logistical measures to ensure the mobility and supply of the population. Bus services to the eastern regions are also slowly starting up again, although road damage continues to cause disruptions.

Air transport, however, remains part of a deeper crisis in the Cuban transport system. According to official data, the use of public transport declined by more than 12 percent in 2024. For the first quarter of 2025, a slump of 23 percent is even recorded, which corresponds to a decline of 13.7 million passengers compared to the same period last year. ([Cubaheute](#))