

CUBA

CASA BATIDA SANTA MARIA WORLD CLASS FISHING FOR TARPON

From December 2008, Loop Adventures in coop with Planet Fly Fishing and Casa Batida will take over the management of the fishing area north coast of Villa Clara province in Central Cuba in the west sector of Jardines del Rey. Unesco has declared this region a reserve of the biosphere. The area is beautiful and has all attributes for flyfishing with channels, mangroves and flats and world class tarpon!

The area is not very famous in Europe - yet - but it has proved a very good fishing potential for big tarpons, jacks, cudas, snappers, grouper, etc. during the past seasons.

World class tarpon!

Fishing for tarpon is world class. Fish from 10 to 40 lbs are present all year long and very big migrating tarpons up to 100 lbs+ start to show up in great numbers from March onwards. Classic sight flats flyfishing combined with chances in mangroves and channels when weather or tide is wrong for flats. Always a chance. Fishing for big snappers and jack is also great. Then the vicinity of the Bahamas Channel offshore offers good possibilities for wahoo, dorado and tuna.



Family friendly

There are several options for accommodation, near the fishing club, in very nice bungalows, just by a beautiful white sandy beach or in the Cayo nearby in a Sol Melia 5* - [click here for their website](#), all inclusive hotels. The islands are beautiful and hotels offer the same high quality standards than in Varadero or Cayo Largo.



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Easy transports

This place is easy to reach by car or by plane from Havana. A 48 km causeway links Cayo Las Brujas, Cayo Ensenachos and finally Cayo Santa Maria where the hotels are located. It does not take so much longer than the transport with domestic flight counting also check in and waiting time to take off. At the same time, it's a nice chance to see a bit more of Cuba.

Full service

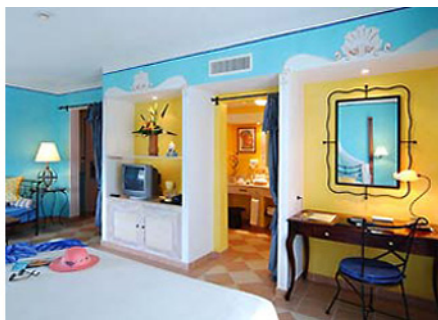
We will provide full services from the arrival of the clients in Havana. VIP welcome, airport transfers, accommodation in Havana and Cayo Las Brujas (full board) or Cayo Santa Maria (all inclusive), organisation of fishing, camp services.

Boats and guides

There will be 8 boats available. Four of the boats are Hewes Bonefisher 17 with 75hp and 90hp (those we had in Cayo Largo) and four brand new Carolina Skiff Sea Chaser with 60hp. They are all equipped for fly and spinning, with cooler, life jackets, first aid kit, and radios. Most fly-fishing guides are the same that worked with Fabrizio in Casa Batida at Cayo Largo with long experience of flyfishing.

Photos / Week Reports

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Loop Tackle

Like on all Loop Adventures destinations you have the option to travel light, as we will have a full service room with all the latest, easy to use, salt water fly tackle available to borrow free of charge.

First season discount!

For our starting season, we will offer a 15% discount on our prices for anglers.



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These prices include

VIP Reception in Havana Airport, all transfers inside Cuba, 8 nights in Cayo Santa Maria (all inclusive) or in Cayo Las Brujas (full board), 6 full days fishing, sharing a skiff, beverages on board, camp services.

Not included: International flight to Havana, beverage and food during transfers, tips, visa and airport tax (CUC 25).

Itinerary - 8 nights / 6 days fishing

Friday: arrival in Havana – VIP welcome – Transfer to Cayo Santa Maria (350 km – 4 hours). Accomodation 8 nights Hotel Melia or Las Brujas.

Saturday: Briefing with the guides.

Sunday to Friday: 6 full days fishing. 8 hours per day.

Saturday: transfer to Havana airport.

Options

Overnight in Havana: 1 night in Havana upon arrival (instead of transfer to CSM) and flight to Cayo Santa Maria the next morning: \$100

Single room Hotel Melia: High season (Dec 22 – Feb 28 & Jul 15 Aug 24) \$105/night).

Low season \$64/night

Single room Villa Las Brujas: \$35/night

Single boat: \$1000/week

Full board means alcoholic drinks not included (but very cheap) All inclusive, means also alcol included.

Las Brujas is situated near the Marina and is very nice but not as fancy with swimming pools as Melia.

Visa

We will send information you need for this when booking.

Prices 2009

For prices and booking please contact: travel@looptackle.se

