Wilderness Travel Sets Sail to Cuba Aboard Intimate Luxury Yacht with New Small Ship Cruise Launching in November

BERKELEY, CALIF. – While a variety of trips to Cuba have sprung up over the last year with People-to-People Exchange licenses now available in the U.S., Wilderness Travel is one of the few companies to offer a small ship cruise to the previously closed-off island. Their new Cuba Cultural Adventure will set sail for 8 days via a three-masted sail cruiser with room for just 48 passengers beginning November 29, 2014.

“We are so excited about this trip because it’s truly a new way to see Cuba and its magnificent history and culture,” says Barbara Banks, director of marketing and new trip development for Wilderness Travel. “While other large cruise lines may stop for a day in Cuba, our trip gives you an intimate look at this country over 8 days aboard a delightful vessel with just the right number of fellow travelers. We stop not just in Havana but sail to other overlooked, but just as lovely, cities and islands off the coast of Cuba, like Cayo Largo and Cabo San Antonio.”

On this cultural cruise to Cuba, travelers will explore the tropical island by land and by sea, learning about its culture and history. The voyage travels around the western side of the island with stops at multiple UNESCO World Heritage sites, including Old Havana, Cienfuegos and Trinidad City. Highlights include salsa dancing onboard the ship, a ceramics workshop, multiple walking tours of historic cities, a visit to a sea turtle breeding center, snorkeling Cayo Largo, a stop at an 18th century coffee plantation, and viewing the Canon Blast Ceremony that dates to the Colonial period in Havana.

The 48-guest Panorama cruiser is a comfortable ship, offering two bars, a sun deck, a swimming platform, two lounges and a library. All cabins face outward and have private bathrooms.

Wilderness Travel will offer 19 different departures for the journey beginning November 2014 and continuing through April 2015. Pricing starts at $4799 per person double occupancy. For more information or to make a reservation, call Wilderness Travel at 1-800-368-2794 or visit www.wildernesstravel.com.

About Wilderness Travel
Wilderness Travel, founded in 1978 and still run by founder Bill Abbott, a consummate traveler, offers some 200 trips every year to more than 75 destinations around the world. The company is known for its one-of-a-kind detailed itineraries that take travelers deep into an area’s culture. There are four ways to travel with Wilderness Travel: Small Group Adventures; Private Journeys; WT Expeditions: Rare Journeys and Exploratories; and Small Ship Cruises, for which the company doubled its offerings in 2014. Constantly on the look-out for new adventures and ways to improve existing journeys, the company focuses on quality, design and the uniqueness
of its trips. Almost 70% of individuals who travel with Wilderness Travel are repeat guests or direct referrals from past travelers. For more information, visit www.wildernesstravel.com or call 800-368-2794.

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EDITOR’S NOTE: Photos and detailed itineraries available upon request.