

## The Half Cuban Eight A turnaround maneuver

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There is a whole bunch of very useful maneuvers in the family of Cubans. As two halves make a whole, let's begin with the Half Cuban Eight.

As you will see, the Half Cuban Eight is part loop and part roll, both of which you now know, so this should be quite easy for you to fly. Here it is:

The model picks up speed and starts the Half Cuban Eight straight and level, pulls up into five eighths of a loop, hesitates, flies inverted 15 degrees down followed by a half roll right side up, hesitates, then pulls up to level flight. For the Half Cuban Eight, you need only enough airspeed to get over the top of the loop. From then on, you're home free and, once you begin to nose down, you will have plenty of airspeed to complete the rest of the maneuver. This is one of the best and easiest of the turnaround maneuvers.

If this description confuses you, go to the diagram. As they say, 'a picture is worth a thousand words'

