

Henrique Capriles

Venezuela's opposition presidential candidate who hopes to lead the oil-rich nation out of socialism



■ **1972:** Born July 11 in Caracas to Catholic father, Jewish mother

■ **1994:** Graduates as specialist in Commercial Law from **Universidad Católica Andrés Bello** in Caracas

■ **1998:** Elected as Venezuela's youngest-ever member of parliament

■ **2000:** Becomes mayor of Baruta district. Re-elected in 2004, defeating Chavista candidate **Simon Pestana**

■ **2006:** Jailed on charges of inciting violence outside Cuban Embassy but acquitted at trial

■ **2008:** Elected governor of Miranda state, defeating heavyweight Chávez loyalist **Diosdado Cabello**

■ **Oct 2012:** Loses to Chávez in presidential election, but wins 6.6 million votes, 44% of total

■ **Apr 2013:** Stands for presidency against Nicolas Maduro, making education, economy and fight against crime his flagship policies