# Dominican Republic

# **Travel Facts**



# US State Department Travel Advisory

The US State Department currently recommends US citizens exercise increased caution in the Dominican Republic due to crime. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

# Passport/Visa Requirements

For the latest passport and visa requirements for this country, please consult the U.S. State Department's "Learn About Your Destination" search tool, available through the link below.

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages.html

## US Embassy/Consulate

[1] (809) 567-7775; US Embassy in Santo Domingo, Av. Republica de Colombia # 57, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic; https://do.usembassy.gov/; <u>SDOAmericans@state.gov</u>

## LGBTQIA+, Women, and Special Needs Travelers

Additional travel considerations can be found on the US State Department's International Travel page. <u>https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations.html</u>

#### **Telephone Code** 809

Local Emergency Phone 911

Vaccinations See WHO recommendations. http://www.who.int/

# Climate

Tropical maritime; little seasonal temperature variation; seasonal variation in rainfall

Currency (Code) Dominican pesos (DOP)

# Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

120 V / 60 Hz / plug types(s): A, B, C





Type C

Major Languages Spanish

Major Religions Evangelical, Roman Catholic, none, unspecified

Type B

**Time Difference** UTC-4 (1 hour ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time) Potable Water

Yes

International Driving Permit Suggested

Road Driving Side Right



## **Tourist Destinations**

Cuidad Colonial of Santo Domingo; Lake Enriquillo; Del Este National Park; Samaná Peninsula and Samaná Bay; Bahia de Las Aguilas and Jaragua National Park; Basilica of Our Lady

**Major Sports** 

Baseball, soccer, boxing

## **Cultural Practices**

Dominican people are generally warm, friendly, direct, and eager to speak about their families. Dominicans are expressive and speak loudly and quickly in conversation.

# **Tipping Guidelines**

At most restaurants, a tip of 10% is expected unless service charges are pre-added. Typical bellhop tips are \$1-2 (USD) per bag and \$2-3 (USD) per night for housekeepers.

## Souvenirs

Larimar jewelry and stones, amber jewelry, woodcarvings, pottery, baskets, limestone carvings, cigars, rum

Traditional Cuisine La Bandera — rice, red beans, and meat



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