



**DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MINISTRY OF TOURISM WEEKLY UPDATE**  
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**What's New in Dominican Republic:**

- **\$57M Investment Announced for Southwest of Dominican Republic** | *The Dominican Government recently unveiled a tourism development plan for the province of Pedernales, located on the southwest coast of the country. It was announced that the first phase of the project could reach as much as \$57M in investments. The proposal to develop the destination will be formally presented to international investors at the Madrid Tourism Fair (FITUR).* [www.dominicantoday.com](http://www.dominicantoday.com)
- **New Punta Cana Property set to Open March 2020** | *La Collection Resorts' Live Aqua Beach Punta Cana is set to open March 2020. The all-inclusive resort features 345 suites across seven different room categories, all with a spectacular view of either the ocean, gardens or swim-up rooms. The resort will also offer seven local and international restaurants, a beach bar, a lounge club, a sports bar, and a full-fledged beach club.* [www.lacoleccion.com](http://www.lacoleccion.com)
- **Punta Cana Beachfront Resort On Track for February Debut** | *AMResorts announced the official debut of their new all-inclusive family and couple-friendly resort. Dreams Macao Beach Punta Cana is set to open February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 and will feature a total of 500 guest rooms and suites. The resort will also offer nine restaurants, including six a la carte options, along with a buffet, a café, and a beach grille.* [www.amresorts.com](http://www.amresorts.com)
- **Celebrity Couple Vacation Lavishly in Cap Cana** | *Ashlee Simpson and Even Ross recently vacationed at the luxurious, adults-only Secrets Cap Cana Resort & Spa. Between beach cabana hangs and laidback dinners, the couple took up residence in the resort's Preferred Club Presidential Suite which features two spectacular oceanfront balconies, a plunge pool, bar, and separate dining and living room areas. The couple was also joined by friends, including Dominican film and music director Jessy Terrero.* [www.eonline.com](http://www.eonline.com)
- **Cabarete to Host 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Master of the Ocean Event** | *Competitors and spectators will travel to Cabarete Beach to experience the 16<sup>th</sup> annual Master of the Ocean competition. Watersport athletes from around the world will get the opportunity to show off their skills and compete in four different disciplines: surfing, windsurfing, kitesurfing, and SUP. At night, experience the local nightlife of Cabarete and join us for the independDance Music Festival. The one-week event will kick off February 23<sup>rd</sup> and end the 28<sup>th</sup> of February.* [www.godominicanrepublic.com](http://www.godominicanrepublic.com)

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