



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MINISTRY OF TOURISM WEEKLY UPDATE

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What's New in Dominican Republic:

- **Dominican Republic Launches New Accessibility Website Widget** | In preparation for the anticipated [surge in travel planning](#), the Dominican Republic Ministry of Tourism recently launched a new accessibility widget on its website, [GoDominicanRepublic.com](#). This new tool makes Dominican Republic one of the first destinations in the Caribbean to offer robust website functionality for users with differing abilities. The widget enables users with limited visual, cognitive, and mobility abilities to make full use of the website, with intuitive tools that enhance accessibility. [www.godominicanrepublic.com](#)
- **TripAdvisor Recognizes Dominican Republic As Top Vacation Spot** | TripAdvisor, one of the world's largest travel platforms, named Dominican Republic to its list of the 20 most popular destinations in the world for 2021. The list was released as part of TripAdvisor's annual Best of the Best Awards recognizing travelers' favorite destinations worldwide. This year, Dominican Republic landed the no. 19 spot with mentions of its white-sand beaches, historic architecture, and enticing opportunities for adventurous travelers. [www.tripadvisor.com](#)
- **Dominican Republic Simplifies Travel Process** | In an effort to optimize passenger inbound and outbound process in the country, as well as help reduce the spread of COVID-19, the Dominican Republic has implemented a new electronic system combining digital versions of the Traveler's Health Affidavit, Customs Declaration, and International Boarding/Disembarking forms, in single digital form. To facilitate the transition between the physical forms and the new digital one through the [Electronic Ticket Portal](#), until March 31, 2021, the authorities will accept both forms. As of April 1, 2021, the use of digital forms will be mandatory. [www.godominicanrepublic.com](#)
- **Gastronomic Forum To Be Held In Dominican Republic** | Dominican Republic is set to host the seventh edition of the Dominican Gastronomic Forum from March 13 - April 10. Organized by the Sabores Dominicanos Foundation, this event, which will be held virtually through the [saboresdominicanos.org.do](#) portal, is part of an international event in Italy, further positioning Dominican Republic as a leading culinary destination. For more information on this event, visit: [www.godominicanrepublic.com](#)
- **World Golf Awards Nominates Dominican Republic** | Dominican Republic has been selected as a nominee in the 8th annual World Golf Awards for Best Caribbean Golf Destination 2021. From La Romana to Punta Cana, Juan Dolio, and Puerto Plata, the DR's courses, counting 86 sea-facing holes and 39 ocean-side, offer you tee time by the sea, or along lush inland courses designed by the most acclaimed golf course architects, including Pete Dye, Jack Nicklaus, Robert Trent Jones Sr., Gary Player, Tom Fazio, Nick Price, and Greg Norman. To vote visit: [www.worldgolfawards.com](#)

News releases, images and the press kit also can be accessed from the official DR Ministry of Tourism website: [www.GoDominicanRepublic.com](#). For additional photos, b-roll and more specific needs, please contact Callie Murphy (callie.murphy@bvkc.com) or Pacome Schembri (pacome.schembri@bvkc.com), BVK PR for the Dominican Republic Ministry of Tourism.