



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MINISTRY OF TOURISM WEEKLY UPDATE

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What's new in Dominican Republic:

- **Santo Domingo Property Introduces Luxury Program** | *Casas del XVI located in the heart of Santo Domingo recently announced a connoisseur program which provides luxury offerings to guests including art gallery tours, private polo classes and more. The property also added an onsite complimentary wellness coach.*
- **Dominican Republic Promotes Diverse Group Activities** | *In addition to enjoying pristine beaches groups are encouraged to partake in cultural offerings such as discovering Santo Domingo's historic colonial zone and thriving cigar scene. Off the south east coast groups can explore the National Park Cotubanamá, one of the Caribbean's most biologically diverse land reserve which includes Isla Saona and is home to over 500 species of plants and more eco-gems.*
- **New Ecotourism Initiative in Samaná** | *A new ecotourism initiative in Samaná Bay provides looking points for whale watching, hiking and eventually snorkeling along the shores of Cayo La Farola. The program was recently inaugurated. The Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Dominican Republic's north coast is famous for its adventure and ecotourism offerings on and off the Atlantic Ocean.*
- **Sport Tourism Trending in Dominican Republic** | *For the first time this spring, large sailing competitions will travel to the south of Dominican Republic with a special regatta on April 15 to celebrate the 174th anniversary of the Dominican Navy. Other treks include a competition on March 10 departing from the Calderas Naval Base and a final trek in May returning to Barahona.*
- **March, the Month of Music** | *Travelers heading to Dominican Republic in March will have a variety of music offerings to choose from, starting with The Romantics March 10 at Hard Rock Live Blue Mall in Santo Domingo. On March 14, Spanish native Joaquín Sabina will perform his new album in Santo Domingo at the Virgilio Travieso Sports Palace. Lastly, March 31 Wisin and Yandel will perform at the Anfiteatro of Altos de Chavón.*

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