



## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MINISTRY OF TOURISM WEEKLY UPDATE

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### What's new in Dominican Republic:

- **Dominican Republic Achieves Impressive Hotel Occupancy Rate** | Dominican Republic has achieved an average hotel occupancy rate of 85.3 percent in the first four months of 2018, according to the National Association of Hotels and Tourism of Dominican Republic (ASONAHORES). The areas with the highest occupancy rate January – April are Bayahibe (89.7%), followed by Punta Cana - Bávaro (88.3%), and Samaná (87.9%).
- **La Romana Golf Course Unveils New \$2.5M Expansion** | Casa de Campo Resort & Villas has opened a new Golf Learning Center and practice course at its La Romana property. These offerings will provide hands-on expertise from golf professionals and advanced technology to tourists and locals, in addition to its two world-class courses, Teeth of the Dog and Dye Fore. [www.CasadeCampo.com](http://www.CasadeCampo.com)
- **Leading Hotel Group Receives Ten Excellence Awards** | Premier hotel group, AM Resorts was recently awarded ten UVC Gold Crown's by the leading travel group, Resorts Condominiums International (RCI), for their commitment to quality and service. The ten resorts are located throughout Dominican Republic's east coast in Bávaro, Cap Cana and Punta Cana. [www.amResorts.com](http://www.amResorts.com)
- **Dominican Republic Prepares for Annual North Coast Marathon** | Global athletes are preparing for the seven-day, 100 km (62 miles) marathon that spans Cabarete to Samaná June 10 –19. Participants will cross five towns, waterfalls, white sand beaches and dirt roads. The 100 km del Caribbean Marathon promotes the country's diverse natural offerings while running. [www.100kmDelCaribe.com](http://www.100kmDelCaribe.com)
- **Punta Cana Resort Recognized for Environmental Excellence** | CHIC by Royalton Punta Cana was recognized by Green Globe for the third consecutive year for its sustainability practices. The all-inclusive adults-only property, located on Uvero Alto Beach, is home to 320 rooms, a 11,500 square-foot CHIC Mansion, and mermaid pool, among other offerings. [www.ChicResorts.com](http://www.ChicResorts.com)

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