



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MINISTRY OF TOURISM WEEKLY UPDATE

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What's new in Dominican Republic:

- **1,500-Room Resort Announced for Punta Cana** | *Palace Resorts recently acquired land in Punta Cana to construct a 1,500-room, Palace-branded hotel expected to be open in as early as three years. Additional details are to be unveiled at the fifth annual Palace Resorts Global Conference August 22-25.* www.PalaceResorts.com
- **Dominican Golf Industry Expected to Generate \$5M in 2018** | *At a recent Dominican Republic Golf Travel Exchange press conference, event organizer TARGET Marketing announced the Dominican golf industry is expected to approach \$5 million by the end of 2018. The fifth annual conference will be held September 1-6 held for the second consecutive year SECRETS@ Cap Cana Resort & Spa. This event promotes the country as the lead Caribbean golf destination and is sponsored in part by the Dominican Republic Ministry of Tourism.* www.DRGolfTravel.com
- **Barahona Prepares for Global Triathlon** | *World renowned athletes are gearing up for the Xterra Panam Tour September 15 at Casa Bonita Tropical Lodge. The World Championship qualifying triathlon includes a 10k and 21k trail run through the lush terrain of Barahona and helps to further establish Dominican Republic as an adventure hub.* www.XterraDR.com
- **Puerto Plata Prepares for Seventh Annual Tourism Conference** | *The Puerto Plata Tourism Cluster is preparing for the seventh edition of the Discover Puerto Plata MarketPlace, October 3-5, 2018. The annual event promotes Puerto Plata among national and international travel personnel, highlighting it as a complete and diversified Caribbean destination with a wide variety of accommodation options, excursions, and tours.* www.DiscoverPuertoPlata.com
- **Punta Cana Resort Highlighted as Kids Dream Destination** | *Leading lifestyle outlet PopSugar recently recognized Nickelodeon Hotels & Resorts Punta Cana as an unforgettable family destination. The resort and hotel is located 25-miles north of Punta Cana and features a series of Nickelodeon inspired activities and amenities including a SpongeBob SquarePants pineapple villa, green slime machine and more.* www.NickResortPuntaCana.com

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