



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MINISTRY OF TOURISM WEEKLY UPDATE

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- **Tourist Arrivals to Dominican Republic up Six Percent** | *Tourists arriving to Dominican Republic reached historic heights with arrivals being up 5.9% compared to 2017 welcoming 4,106,474 million non-resident visitors, according to the Central Bank. www.Expreso.com*
- **Playa Grande Golf Course Reopens** | *The Rees Jones designed 18-hole championship golf course located in Cabrera within the luxury Amanera resort is officially open for play again. The Discovery Land Company property entirely re-grassed, renovated with new bunkering and the introduced Las Brasas, a golf barbecue restaurant to the historic 1990's course. The property will have 60 new homesites in the golf course neighborhood and 16 clubhouse suites with more additions pending in the coming years. www.GolfWeek.com*
- **Samaná Property Announced Expansion** | *Viva Wydham V Samaná is expanding their property by introducing 34 new ground-level bungalows that include exclusive amenities such as 24-hour room service, a private pool and complimentary massages at V Samaná's Coconut Whispers Spa. The adults-only, all-inclusive property is on track to offer the expanded amenities in January 2019. www.CaribJournal.com*
- **La Romana Property Topped a Bucket List Destination** | *Casa De Campo Resort & Villas was recently named one of top Caribbean resorts for travelers to add to their bucket list. The honor was due in part because the resort's extensive amenities, word-class golf courses, luxurious spa and more. www.CasadeCampo.com*
- **Dominican Republic Wraps up 2018 with Events** | *Throughout the month of November and December Dominican Republic will host a series of festivals featuring the country's music and cultural traditions. On November 30 Marina Cap Cana will host the second annual Christmas Parade featuring boats decorated in Christmas Lights. In December Santo Domingo will host Grammy Award winner, Romeo Santos, among other events like the Juan Luis Guerra and Vincente García concert on December 1. Furthermore, the country celebrates Christian traditions the nine days leading up to Christmas. www.godominicanrepublic.com/events*

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