



## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MINISTRY OF TOURISM WEEKLY UPDATE

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### What's New In Dominican Republic:

- **Pedernales to Welcome Tourism Developments** | A recent ruling in Pedernales will lead to a series of tourism developments along the shores of Bahía de las Águilas. The anticipated projects may include airports, cruise ports among other projects. The area is located on 8 kilometers of untouched shoreline within the Jaragua National Park. [www.DominicanToday.com](http://www.DominicanToday.com)
- **Whale Watching Season Starts Now** | Looking for an experience of a lifetime? Watch the 1,500 to 2,000 whales that migrate to the waters of the Samaná Bay on a guided boat tour or from the land at the observatory in Punta Balandra. Whale watching season is from mid-January through March. [www.GoDominicanRepublic.com](http://www.GoDominicanRepublic.com)
- **Puerto Plata To Welcome Three Hotel Investments** | Marriott International is partnering with Ocean Club Group on a \$350 million-dollar project that would add three new luxury resorts to Puerto Plata. The hotels would likely include a Ritz-Carlton, a W and a Luxury Collection property. [www.CaribJournal.com](http://www.CaribJournal.com)
- **Two Dominican Golf Courses Highlighted for Winter Golfing** | Golf.com, a leading golf website, recently highlighted the world-famous Teeth of the Dog course at Casa de Campo for its soothing landscape, beautiful Caribbean colors and impeccable design. The article also recognized out Corales Golf Course located within Puntacana Resort & Club, host of the 2019 PGA Tour March 28-31. [www.Golf.com](http://www.Golf.com)
- **New Luxury All-Inclusive Opens in Punta Cana** | The Grand Reserve at Paradisus Palma Real officially opened its doors, debuting the country's first Meliá's Paradisus hotel. The all-inclusive property offers an array of astounding luxury accommodations. Among its 288 rooms include 14 restaurants and bars, spa and fitness center, plus an exclusive members-only property which includes an additional 144 suites. [www.CaribJournal.com](http://www.CaribJournal.com)
- **Cabarete Hosts 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Caribbean Laser MidWinter Regatta** | The Annual Caribbean Laser MidWinter Regatta marks the start of Laser Sailboat Regattas worldwide. This event attracts the best sailors in the world to Cabarete, the capital of wind sports. Sponsored by Laser Training Center and the Dominican Sailing Federation, this event will take place January 18<sup>th</sup> through January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019. For more upcoming events in Dominican Republic please visit [www.GoDominicanRepublic.com](http://www.GoDominicanRepublic.com).

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