



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MINISTRY OF TOURISM WEEKLY UPDATE
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What's New in Dominican Republic:

- **Dominican Republic Announced Tourism Arrivals for First Half of 2019** | *This week the Dominican Central Bank announced the country has welcomed nearly 3 million tourists from January to May of 2019. Of those tourists, 64% of them come from North America. www.Expreso.com*
- **Sustainable Tourism Top Priority of Dominican Republic** | *Dominican Republic has pledged to reduce marine and land-based pollution, reduce waste, and diminish waste associated with tourism. The country is working in conjunction with the UN Environment Programme to implement strategies and regulations to reduce food waste, increase energy efficiency and promote the use of renewable energy in hotels. www.UNEnvironment.com*
- **Cabarete Classic's 14th Annual Celebration to Commence** | *Competitors and spectators will flock Cabarete Beach to experience the 14th annual Cabarete Classic on July 18 – 21. Categories will be freestyle, paddleboarding, foiling and a downwinder, open to kite – and windsurfers. The competition is open for all classes and levels. www.GoDominicanRepublic.com*

News releases, images and the press kit also can be accessed from the official DR Ministry of Tourism website: www.GoDominicanRepublic.com. For additional photos, b-roll and more specific needs, please contact Annie Holschuh (annie.holschuh@bvk.com) or Callie Murphy (callie.murphy@bvk.com), BVK Word for the Dominican Republic Ministry of Tourism.