WORLDFACTBOOK

Dominican Republic

Travel Facts

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise increased caution in the Dominican Republic due to crime. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

Passport/Visa Requirements

For the latest passport and visa requirements for this country, please consult the U.S. State Department's "Learn About Your Destination" search tool, available through the link below.

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https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages.html

US Embassy/Consulate

[1] (809) 567-7775; US Embassy in Santo Domingo, Av. Republica de Colombia #57, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic; https://do.usembassy.gov/; <u>SDOAmericans@state.gov</u>

LGBTQIA+, Women, and Special Needs Travelers

Additional travel considerations can be found on the US State Department's International Travel page. <u>https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations.html</u>

Telephone Code 809

Local Emergency Phone 911

Vaccinations See WHO recommendations. http://www.who.int/

Climate

Tropical maritime; little seasonal temperature variation; seasonal variation in rainfall

Currency (Code) Dominican pesos (DOP)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

120 V / 60 Hz / plug types (s): A, B, C





Type C

Major Languages Spanish

Major Religions Evangelical, Roman Catholic, none, unspecified

Type B

Time Difference UTC-4 (1 hour a head of Washington, DC, during Standard Time) Potable Water

Yes

International Driving Permit Suggested





Tourist Destinations

Cuidad Colonial of Santo Domingo; Lake Enriquillo; Del Este National Park; Samaná Peninsula and Samaná Bay; Bahia de Las Aguilas and Jaragua National Park; Basilica of Our Lady

Major Sports

Baseball, soccer, boxing

Cultural Practices

Dominican people are generally warm, friendly, direct, and eager to speak about their families. Dominicans are expressive and speak loudly and quickly in conversation.

Tipping Guidelines

At most restaurants, a tip of 10% is expected unless service charges are pre-added. Typical bellhop tips are \$1-2 (USD) per bag and \$2-3 (USD) per night for housekeepers.

Souvenirs

Larimar jewelry and stones, amber jewelry, woodcarvings, pottery, baskets, limestone carvings, cigars, rum

Traditional Cuisine La Bandera — rice, red beans, and meat

