



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC - GENERAL INFORMATION -

- ★ [Why to invest in the Dominican Republic?](#)
- ★ [General information about the Dominican Republic](#)

WHY TO INVEST IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC?

There are many reasons to invest in the Dominican Republic;

1. Political, Social and macroeconomical Stability: the Dominican Republic is one of the more stable countries of the Caribbean and Latin America, with civil and employment rights.
2. Investment Policies: Legislation that promotes foreign investment with proportional treatment among local and foreign investors, allowing to repatriate the invested capital plus dividends.
3. Fiscal policies: Fiscal advantages exist to invest in the Dominican Republic (Article 4 Rule 158-01 to promote touristic development), as they are exempt for 10 years of the payment of some taxes (National and Municipal taxation for the establishment of an organization, the transfer of Real Estate rights, sales, barter etc.) .
4. Intrinsic characteristics of the country:
 - a. one of the main touristic destinies in the world.
 - b. low cost of life.
 - c. moderate tropical climate, perfect throughout the year.
 - d. beautiful white sand beaches and extensive forests.
 - e. human resources; nice and serviceable personnel and efficient workers.
 - f. strategic location, few hours away by plane from the US, Europe and Latin America.
 - g. is a safe country.

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Located in the center of Las Antillas Archipelago, the Dominican Republic landscape is characterized by its mountains (the highest among the Caribbean Islands), rivers and beaches.



The East Coast

The country's East coast has the best and most famous beaches of the island: wide and long, soft white sand, Chrystal waters, high coco-palm trees and a coral reef along the coast; with two national parks with the opportunity to dive around the coral reefs and different colorful species of fishes.

This area happens to be in the injunction between the Atlantic Ocean and the Caribbean. Is one of the most visited by the different visitors around the world, vital place of the country's tourism.

Has a great hotel infrastructure, Real Estate promotions or Resorts and is 20 Km (12.5 miles) away from the Punta Cana International Airport. Also offers a vast variety of opportunities to enjoy sports such as golf, sailing or scuba-diving.

PUNTA CANA & BAVARO

This is one of the areas with highest growth in tourism of the country.

With 30 miles of soft sand beaches, is also called by Real Estate promoters as the "coconut coast" due to the large amount of coco-trees surrounding its beaches.

In addition to its untouched beaches Punta Cana has the best and most luxurious hotel and Real Estate complexes of the Dominican Republic. Adding to the luxury also has a beautiful golf course by the beach. Bavaro, with more touristic complexes and shopping malls is located further north.

LA ROMANA

We should stand out the enormous "Casa de Campo" complex, with 2,833 ha, more than a dozen pools and restaurants, polo field, Tuscan village called "Los Altos de Chavon" and two golf courses; "Dientes de Perro" and "The Links". It also has a private airport.

BAYAHIBE

Bayahibe's landscape is a bit different, as we encounter ourselves with one of the most important National Parks.

This area has received two awards for its ability to protect the environment, where we find: "La Isla Saona" which is the bigger of the park; and "La Isla Catalina" surrounded by coral reef, with a plethora of tropical fish and amazing beaches.



The National Park of the East, with 310 km² (119.7 sq. mi.) of surface, is made up by forests and wetlands, "La Isla Saona", and 400 different type of caves with engraved and cave paintings.

Main beaches from the East Coast

- "Isla Catalina", with amazing coral reefs, mangrove swamps and sand dunes.
- "Isla Saona", natural park with abundant marine and wild fauna such as turtles, wales or sharks among others.
- "Playa Bavaro" located in the north of Punta Cana.
- "Punta Cana", also called "the coconut coast". Recommended for scuba diving.
- "Playa Dominicus".
- "Playa Minitas", the private beach of the luxury resort from la Casa de Campo in La Romana.

Golf Courses

- Casa de Campo (www.casadecampo.com.do): Dye Fore, The Links and Dientes de Perro.
- Punta Cana Resort and La Cana Golf Course. (www.puntacana.com)
- Punta Blanca (www.punta-blanca.com)
- Cocotal Golf & Country Club (www.cocotalgolf.com).
- Golf de Bavaro (www.barcelo.com)
- Corales Golf Course (www.puntacana.com)
- Las Iguanas Golf Course (www.capcana.com)
- La Hacienda
- Punta Espada Golf Course
- Roco Ki Golf Course
- Catalonia Cabeza de Toro Golf Club
- White Sands Golf Course
- La Estancia golf Course

The North East Coast

Samana, Las Terrenas and Las Galeras are located in the North East area.

The mountains full of vegetation and the endless blue water beaches are the principal characteristic of the area. The waterfalls at the mountains go through the lush vegetation of its forests.

One of the biggest humpback whale farm/bed is located here.



SAMANA

The town of Samana is located in the southern side of the peninsula, along the Samana Bay.

Is the suitable place for tourists interested in observing humpback whales that migrate from the Atlantic Ocean to these waters.

Covers a wide range of cultures: African American, Europeans from France, Italy or Spain that, when combined, give a European taste. Due to its variety of natural attractions, allows visitors to play sports such as; scuba diving, sailing, horse riding or golf among others. The nearer two airports are the International Airport of Puerto Plata and Las Americas Airport in Santo Domingo.

LAS TERRENAS

This place has turned from being a small fishing oriented town to a touristic place in part, due to "La Cascada del Limon"; a 52 meters (57 yards) waterfall that falls into a bathing place.

The most demanded areas for scuba diving are in "isla ballenas" and "cabo cabron"; Accessible through the international Airport of El Portillo.

LAS GALERAS

Las Galeras is located in the tip of the Peninsula of Samana, near the beach of El Rincon. Initially was also a small fishing oriented town that has experienced great development, although remains tranquil.

Main BEACHES on the Northeast coast

- Cayo Levantado; small island located a couple miles away from the coast of the City of Samana.
- Las Terrenas.
- Playa Bonita; eight miles of a peaceful beach North of the Peninsula of Samana.
- Playa Las Flechas, close to Cayo Levantado.
- Playa Rincon; surrounded by a spectacular mountain plenty of coconut trees.



North Coast

On the north coast we find Cabarete, Playa Dorada, Puerto Plata and Sosua.

This area goes from the Haiti border to the San Juan river. In Punta Rucia, near Monte Cristi, is the circular reef of Cayo Arena (not always visible), with an amazing underwater life.

CABARETE

This area is well known among youngsters due to its excellent conditions to practice a big variety of aquatic sports such as Kite board, wind surf, surf, sailing and mountain sports; mountain bike, mountaineering among others.

PLAYA DORADA & PUERTO PLATA

Playa Dorada is formed by two half moons of yellowish sand banks with touristic complexes in the background.

Puerto Plata is known as the commercial and residential location of this area of the north coast, with more than ten touristic complexes located on a beach in the east side.

SOSUA

Also called "El Acapulco" of the Dominican Republic, one of the best places of the north coast, located at a Caribbean bay of white sands and luxury resorts.

This was one of the first touristic destinies of the country in the 70's and 80's. Also went from being a fishing oriented town to a first class touristic destiny.

Principal beaches of the north coast

- Cabarete, among the top five beaches to practice windsurf, surf or paragliding.
- Playa Cofresi, home of the marine park "Ocean World".
- Playa Dorada, protected by reefs.
- Playa Grande, as its name indicates, one of the biggest in the area.
- Playa Punta Rucia.
- Playa Sosua, special for its sharp mountains right on top of the intense blue waters with a high variety of marine life: dolphins, sharks, manta rays, etc.



Golf Courses

- Playa Dorada Golf Course.
- Playa Grande Golf Course.

South west coast

Main cities are Barahona, San Cristobal and Pedernales.

Although looking like the perfect place, it is still an unexplored territory for many tourists. Its beaches differ from the typical. Has two salt water lakes, one of them being the biggest of the Caribbean with a great habitat of birds and reptiles. One side of the coast is mainly filled with mountain jungles and the other with pine forests and deserts.

In this side of the island we find the Pedernales Peninsula, with three national parks and many miles of Caribbean shore.

BARAHONA

Besides Barahona's spectacular cliffs over its rocky beaches, we should emphasize that its habitants live in "tejemani" style homes, built with tables and branches.

SAN CRISTOBAL

The most important city to the west of Santo Domingo, where "Las cuevas de Borbon" are located.

PEDERNALES

This city is near the border with Haiti, but since there is no office of immigration, its not possible to go through it from that point.

This area comprises the National Park of Jaragua, Las Aguilas Bay and the Sierra of Bahoruco National Park with a wide vegetal variety that grows at different climates that range from a desert dry to a mountain humid. Not to forget Isla Cabritos National Park, that includes the island and the lake (with its shores full of crocodiles).



Principal beaches of the Southwest coast

- Playa de Pedernales
- Playa de San Rafael, with its interesting natural pool formed by the waterfalls that descend from the nearest mountains.

South Coast

Santo Domingo, Boca Chica and Juan Dolio are located in this area of the country.

SANTO DOMINGO

Is the capital of the Dominican Republic with 2.2 million people, is the oldest city of the new world.

Santo Domingo is where all the political, economic and cultural forces of the country reside. Its interesting colonial area, which belongs to the world's patrimony of UNESCO, is rich in museums (Museum of Las Casas Reales, Alcazar de Colon Museum, Mundo de Amber Museum: www.amberworldmuseum.com, or Larimar Museum: www.larimar.com) and historic buildings.

Its closest access is through the International Airport of Las Americas.

BOCA CHICA

Is a touristic area, near Las American Int. Airport and the country's capital, Santo Domingo. Is also one of the most complete touristic destinies of the Dominican Republic.

JUAN DOLIO

Located between Santo Domingo and La Romana, is a peaceful town that allows going on excursions and scuba diving.

Main beaches of the south coast

- Playa de Boca Chica, a lagoon protected by reefs, of quiet blue waters and white sand shores. Ideal for kids.



- Playa Juan Dolio, white waters but not as crowded as Boca Chica (still with restaurants and bars).
- Playa Guayacanes, of soft sand beaches is the favorite of boogie-boarding fans.

Golf courses

- Guavaberry Golf & Country Club (www.guavaberrygolf.com)
- Las Lagunas Country Club (www.laslagunas.com.do)
- Los Marlins Golf Course (www.groupmetro.com)
- Santo Domingo Country Club

NEWHOMES-OBANUEVA
www.newhomes-obranueva.com