

Impressions of the Dominican Republic

Santo Domingo | Jarabacoa | Santiago | Northern coastal region

Get ready to soak up rich history and tropical sunshine—this journey through the Dominican Republic spans rainforests, cities, and beaches. From whitewater rafting in Jarabacoa to crafting pottery in Santiago, you'll gain new perspectives and a profound appreciation for Dominican culture on this coast-to-coast adventure.



Get even more bang for your bucket list

Designed with school calendars in mind, this flexible, highlight-rich tour lands in the sweet spot between a long weekend and a lengthier getaway—so you can focus less on scheduling and more on exploring.

Your experience includes: Full-time Tour Director; 1 sightseeing tour led by an expert, licensed local guide; comprehensive sightseeing of natural attractions; entrance fees for whitewater rafting; pottery making workshop; street art tour; jiu-jitsu lesson; Carnival experience; dance lesson; Cayo Arena mangrove and snorkeling tour; personalized learning; round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; 5 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms; dinner on arrival day; 3 meals included days 2–5; breakfast on departure day

Anyone can see the world.

You're going to experience it.

As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

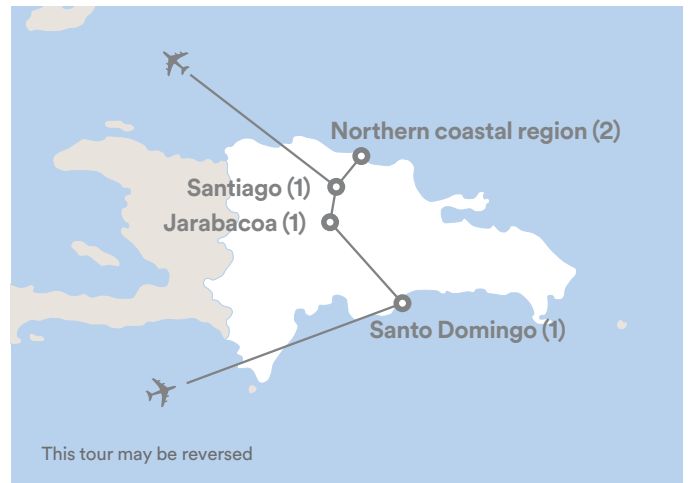
And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your Tour Director in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. Expert local guides will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

“As a teacher, it's an amazing feeling to see my students light up and get excited about 'that thing we talked about in class.' Not only do they have a rich educational experience, they transform into young adults who are eager to take on more travel.”

Bobby, Group Leader



Learn from your Tour Director and expert local guides



Soak up tropical sunshine and incredible views



Explore the Cayo Arena mangroves

What you'll experience on your tour

Day 1: Fly to the Dominican Republic

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Santo Domingo, the capital and largest city in the Dominican Republic. The city's rich historic and cultural heritage greets you in an eclectic mix of Victorian houses, palm tree-lined boulevards, ultra-modern shopping centers, and traditional eateries.

Day 2: Santo Domingo | Jarabacoa

- Dive into island life with an expert local guide. On your sightseeing tour, you'll see the Catedral de Santa María la Menor and the Ozama Fortress.
- Travel to Jarabacoa.
- Enjoy a whitewater rafting excursion.
- Savor some local flavors during a BBQ dinner.

Day 3: Jarabacoa | Santiago | Northern coastal region

- Travel to Santiago, the second-largest city in the Dominican Republic and a tropical hotspot for the Caribbean cigar and textile industries.
- Explore the art of local handicrafts during a pottery-making workshop.
- See the city from an artistic point of view during a street art walking tour.
- Travel to the Northern coastal region.

Day 4: Northern coastal region

- Explore on your own or
 - enjoy a surfing lesson in Cabarete.
- Participate in a jiu-jitsu lesson.
- Learn about the traditions of Carnival in the Dominican Republic.
- Enjoy a Caribbean dance lesson.

Day 5: Northern coastal region | Santiago

- Explore the Cayo Arena mangroves during a snorkeling tour.
- Travel to Santiago.

Day 6: Depart for home

- Optionals and excursions



“I will confidently book with EF knowing that they truly have the infrastructure to handle a crisis, that they care deeply for the students, and that they remain committed to sharing the wonder of travel.”

Jennifer, Parent

“I loved the Dominican Republic. This tour opened up my eyes to how other people live.”

Jojo, Student



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“My daughter has gained such an amazing view of the world and history from this experience. Thank you for all the organization, helpful hints, flexible payment plan, and knowledgeable tour guides.”

Charlotte, Parent



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For over 55 years, EF has been working toward one global mission: *Opening the World Through Education*. Your teacher has partnered with EF because of our unmatched worldwide presence, our focus on affordability, and our commitment to providing experiences that teach critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration, and global competence. What's more:

- **We always offer the lowest prices** so more students can travel.
- **We're fully accredited**, just like your school, so you can earn credit while on tour.
- **We include experiential learning activities** and visits to the best sites on all of our educational tours.
- **We're completely committed to your safety.** We have more than 600 schools and offices in over 50 countries around the world, so local EF staff members can react quickly and in person wherever you travel.
- **We provide a full-time Tour Director** who's with your group every step of the way on tour, providing insight about your destinations as well as great local tips.

