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SANTO DOMINGO  
COLLECTION OF EXPERIENCES





# 01

## History and Culture Colonial Zone & Surroundings

### **Colonial Zone (UNESCO World Heritage Site)**

The historic heart of the city and the first permanent European settlement in the Americas. Cobblestone streets, colonial architecture, vibrant plazas, and a charming culinary and cultural scene.

### **Primada de América Cathedral**

Considered the first cathedral of the New World, this architectural gem stands out for its impressive Gothic design with Renaissance influences and its great historical and cultural value. A must-visit on any tour of the Colonial Zone.

### **Ozama Fortress**

The oldest military fortress in the Americas, built in the 16th century. It offers stunning views of the Ozama River and is a perfect spot for those who enjoy history, architecture, and photography.



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### **Plaza de España**

One of the most iconic and picturesque squares in Santo Domingo. Surrounded by restaurants with outdoor seating, bars, and historic architecture, it is the ideal place to stroll, enjoy local cuisine, and admire beautiful sunsets.

### **Colón Park**

A social and cultural gathering point located in the heart of the Colonial Zone. Surrounded by cafés, live music, and historic buildings, it is perfect for experiencing the city's authentic energy and local atmosphere.

### **Cafés & Galleries in the Colonial Zone**

Small cafés, boutiques, and contemporary art galleries that reflect the creativity and modern cultural spirit of Santo Domingo.



# 02

## Experiences

### **Dominican Rum Tasting**

Discover the richness and complexity of one of the Caribbean's most iconic products through a guided sensory experience. This tasting explores the aromas, nuances, and production processes of Dominican rum, a reflection of tradition, character, and refinement. An ideal experience for those who want to connect with local culture through its most emblematic flavors.

### **Dominican Tobacco Experience**

Immerse yourself in the art and tradition of Dominican tobacco, globally recognized for its artisanal quality. During this experience, visitors discover the production process, from leaf selection to hand-rolling, while exploring the aromas and history surrounding this important cultural expression of the country. An authentic experience that celebrates the legacy and elegance of this Caribbean tradition.





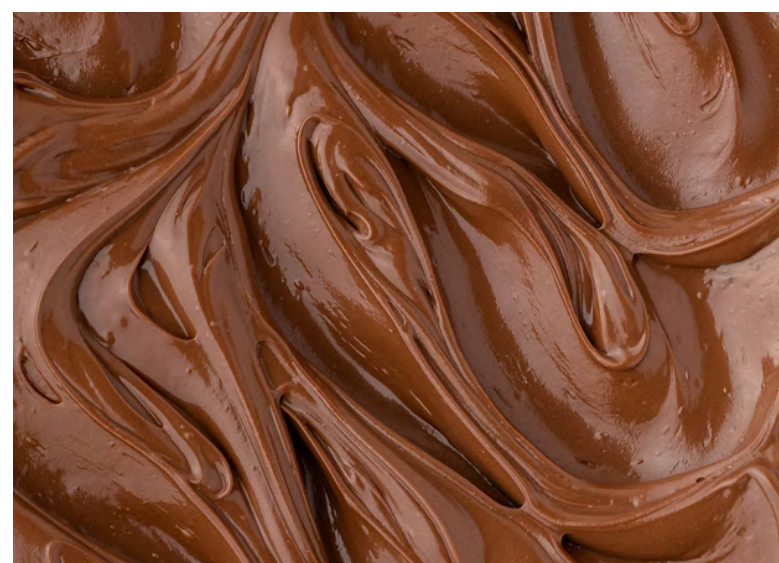
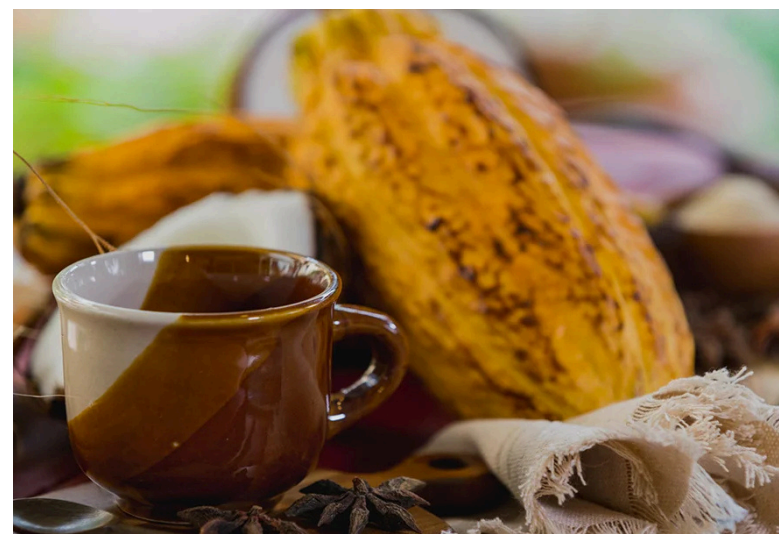
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### **Dominican Cocoa Tour**

Discover the cultural and gastronomic richness of Dominican cocoa through an interactive experience that reveals its fascinating journey from cultivation to chocolate production. During the tour, visitors learn about the history of cocoa and its deep connection to local identity and tradition, while participating in tastings that highlight the distinctive aromas and flavors of Caribbean cocoa.

The experience also invites guests to engage in the process in a hands-on and creative way, allowing visitors to create their own chocolate bar. For those who wish to dive deeper, they can also participate in chocolate-making classes where they learn artisanal techniques and the art of working with this noble ingredient. It is a sensory, cultural, and memorable activity, ideal for discovering one of the most representative and refined products of the Dominican Republic.





# 03

## Museums

### **Museum of the Royal Houses**

Located in one of the most emblematic colonial buildings, this museum offers an elegant journey through the history of the Spanish colonial period and the administration of the New World.

### **Dominican Rum Museum**

A tour that explores the tradition and production of Dominican rum, accompanied by tastings that allow visitors to discover one of the country's most representative products.

### **Casa Mella - Russo**

A historic 16th-century colonial mansion located in the Colonial City of Santo Domingo. It stands out for its coral stone architecture and cultural significance, offering an authentic glimpse into the Dominican colonial past. It is a space that blends history, art, and tradition.



# 04

## Nature & Wellness

### **Cueva de las Maravillas**

One of the most fascinating natural treasures of the Dominican Republic, where impressive millenary rock formations blend with valuable Taíno cave art along a guided, illuminated path that reveals the magic of the pre-Hispanic past.

### **National Botanical Garden**

A vast green space offering tranquility, natural trails, and a wide variety of tropical flora. Perfect for relaxing walks and moments of disconnection.

### **Santo Domingo Malecón**

A coastal avenue that runs along the Caribbean Sea, ideal for sunset strolls, enjoying ocean views, and experiencing the city's local atmosphere.



# 05

## Beaches & Nearby Getaways

### **Bayahibe**

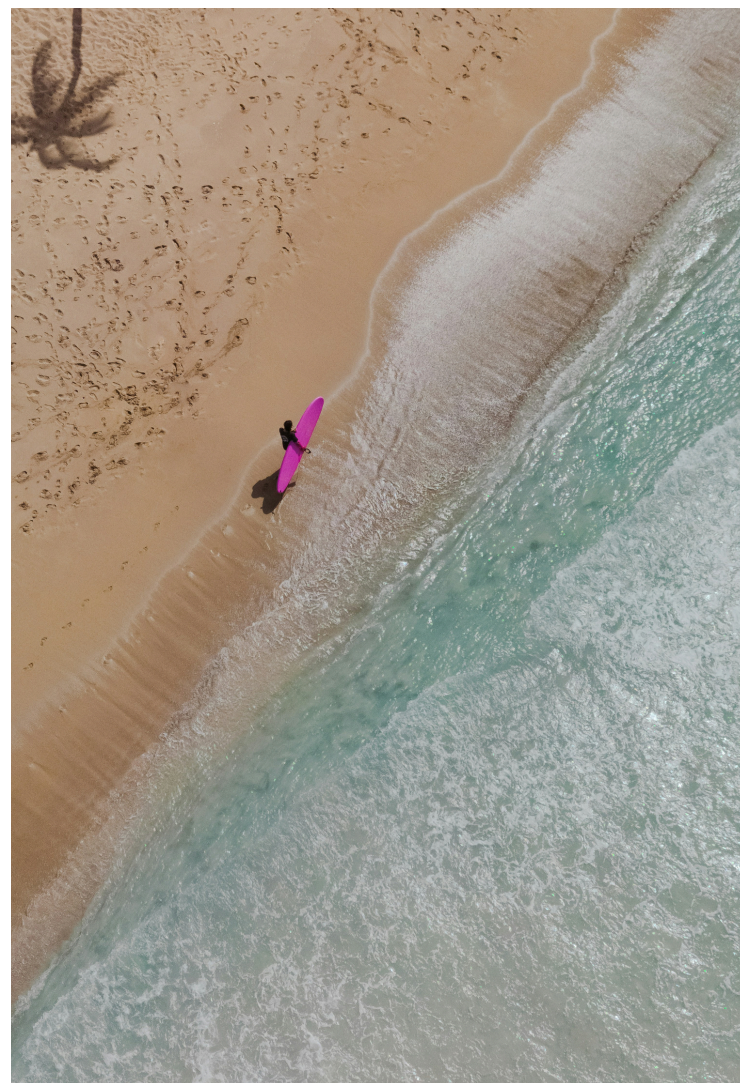
One of the most beautiful beaches in the country, famous for its turquoise waters and proximity to Saona Island. Ideal for a premium full-day getaway.

### **Juan Dolio**

A quieter and more sophisticated beach destination, known for its seaside restaurants and beach clubs. Perfect for a relaxed and elegant day trip.

### **Boca Chica**

A beach with calm, crystal-clear waters located a short distance from the city. Very popular for enjoying fresh seafood and a relaxed seaside atmosphere.





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