

TRAVELER'S GUIDE

Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages-Lingüística del Español del Caribe 2025
September 10th – 12th 2025, Santo Domingo

PLANNING YOUR TRIP

Travel Requirements		
Visa	<p>Please be sure to check if you require a visa to travel to the Dominican Republic.</p> <p>Use the link on the right to check if a visa required for citizens of your country of origin.</p>	<p>https://mirex.gob.do/condiciones-para-extranjeros-ingresar/</p>
E-ticket	<p>For entries and departures to and from the Dominican Republic, all travelers must fill out the online E-ticket.</p> <p>Use the link on the right to complete the form 0-3 days before arrival and departure.</p> <p>When filling in your E-ticket, you'll need to specify where you'll be staying while in the country. For Province: National District For Municipality: Santo Domingo de Guzmán In the Section field: "La Esperilla" for the Drake Hotel "Bella Vista" for the El Embajador Hotel "Gazcue" for the Catalonia Hotel.</p> <p>For other accommodations, contact your hotel or host directly for Section (<i>Sector</i> in Spanish) details.</p>	<p>https://dominicanrepublicticket.org/application/</p> <p>For the best results, use a computer to fill out the form, as mobile devices may experience issues.</p>

Travel Insurance

As a general recommendation, we encourage all international participants to obtain travel insurance that covers all airline related matters, such as flight delays and cancellations, lost baggage, etc., and also includes medical coverage in case of emergencies.

Some credit cards, specially airline or hotel affiliated ones, tend to include travel insurance among it's benefits, so be sure to check if one of your cards offers this service.

Airport Information

You can schedule your flight to arrive at these Dominican airports:

Airport	Location	Transportation
Las Américas International Airport (SDQ)	Santo Domingo	Uber airport-hotel or hotel-airport transportation for parties of 1 to 4 travelers, for US\$ 40 each way.
Punta Cana International Airport (PUJ)	Punta Cana	Private transportation, airport-hotel or hotel-airport transportation for parties of 1 to 4 travelers, for US\$ 200 each way.
Cibao International Airport (STI)	Santiago de los Caballeros	Private transportation, airport-hotel or hotel-airport transportation for parties of 1 to 4 travelers, for US\$ 150 each way.

Tourism Information

For information relating to leisure time during your visit, such as other cities to visit, sightseeing, sports or outdoor activities, accommodation, travel options and requirements, please visit the official tourism website for the Dominican Republic.

[Dominican Republic Tourism Official Website - GoDominicanRepublic.com](http://GoDominicanRepublic.com)

DURING YOUR TRIP

Transportation in Santo Domingo

We recommend using these private transportation methods:

Apps	Taxi Companies	Pre-scheduled services
Uber	Apolo Taxi (809) 537-000	Trasla.do (online)
Apolo Taxi	Aero Taxi (809) 686-1212	
InDrive		
Didi		

Restaurants and Supermarkets

Delivery Apps	Restaurant suggestions	Supermarkets
Uber Eats PedidosYa Didi Food	Dominican Cuisine: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adrián Tropical - Mesón de Bari - Buche Perico - Ajualä - Jalao International Cuisine: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Shibuya (Asian) - Okazu (Asian) - Perbacco (Italian) - Il Bacareto (Italian) - Casa Mencia (Spanish) - Boga Boga (Spanish) 	Supermercados Nacional Carrefour Market Supermercados Bravo Sirena Market Carrefour City

Medical Services and Pharmacies

Delivery Apps	Pharmacies	Private Hospitals	Emergency Services
Carol App FarmaValue	Farmacia Carol Los Hidalgos Farmacia GBC FarmaValue	Clínica de Medicina Avanzada Abel González Clínica Abreu	In case of emergencies call 911 for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ambulances - Firefighters - Police

Weather Forecast

In Santo Domingo, September falls during the summer, and is typically quite warm. Daytime maximum temperatures average around a steamy 31°C (88°F), while at night 24°C (75°F) is normal. Humidity also plays a significant part in the weather, hovering around 82%, making the day feel warmer. It is important to note that September is also in the peak of hurricane season, so there is a higher chance of tropical storms or hurricanes occurring during this month. We recommend packing light colored clothing, breathable fabrics such as cotton or linen, and Caribbean essentials such as sunscreen and sunglasses. Below is the forecast for the September 7th -14th week: (forthcoming)

LSRL55-LEC 2025

Venue

The LSRL55-LEC 2025 is being hosted by the Postgraduate School of the Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra (PUCMM) in their Santo Domingo Campus. The address is Av. Simón Bolívar esq. C/ Los Robles.



Dress Code

Formal wear is not required during any of the conferences or the opening and closing ceremonies. Business casual attire is appropriate for all events.

Wi-Fi Connection

The University offers a secure, password-free, Wi-Fi network for guests: PUCMM_INVITADOS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING DOMINICAN CULTURE

Gastronomy

Dominican gastronomy is a fusion of our African, Spanish, and Indigenous heritage, like most countries in the Caribbean region. However, unlike many of our fellow islands, our food is not spicy. We recommend you travel with your sauce or spices of choice and add them to the food if you prefer.

Our National Dish is called *La Bandera*, and consists of white rice, red beans, and a variety of chicken, pork, or beef. Additionally, other popular dishes include *Sancocho*, which is a meat and various starchy root vegetables such as potatoes and yucca, *Mofongo*, which is fried plantains smashed with garlic and crunchy pork belly, or as we call it; chicharrón. Our staple breakfast food is *Mangú con los 3 Golpes*, which consists of smashed boiled plantains, eggs, salami, and fried Dominican cheese.

Service personnel

Like the United States, Dominican service professionals such as restaurant servers, hotel bell boys, airport staff, taxi drivers, etc. are accustomed to receiving tips or gratuities from customers, typically in cash. They tend to accept US dollars or even Euros. Keep in mind that there are obligatory 18% tax and 10% gratuities added to bills in restaurants. Servers in these venues usually receive 5-10% additional tips in cash or on the bill itself.