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DISCOVER THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

8 days | Santo Domingo | Jarabacoa | Santiago | Northern coastal region

The Dominican Republic offers a seamless blend of tropical terrain, rich history, and heritage. From evergreen rainforests to idyllic oceanside villages and bustling city squares, you'll explore colorful island life from a local perspective. Plus, you'll gain a sense of community as you visit an environmental school and art nonprofit.

EVERYTHING YOU GET:

-  **Full-time Tour Director**
-  **Sightseeing:** Comprehensive sightseeing of natural attractions
-  **Entrances:** Ozama Fortress; Tres Ojos Caves; El Instituto del Ambiente; whitewater rafting; Centro León museum; pottery-making workshop; street art tour; Fortaleza San Felipe; jiu-jitsu lesson; Carnival experience; ziplining adventure; dance lesson; Cayo Arena mangrove and snorkeling tour
-  **Personalized learning guide:** Our personalized learning experience engages students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create a final, reflective project for academic credit.
-   **All of the details are covered:** Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; 7 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms; 3 meals daily (Days 2–7); dinner on arrival day; breakfast on departure day
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Santo Domingo



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, **weShare**, 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.

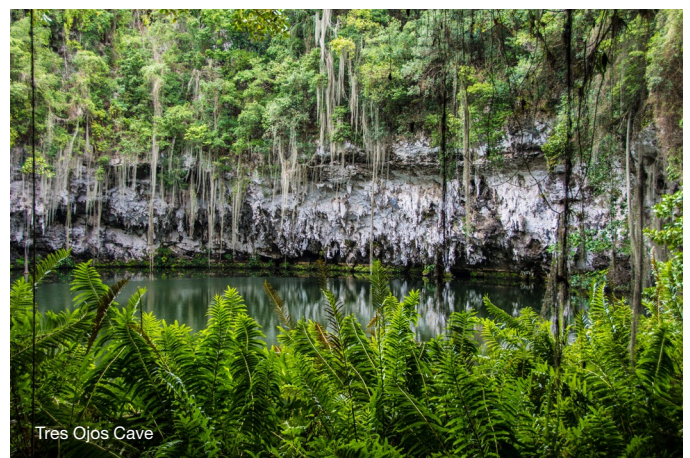
When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

@EFtours I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school #traveltuesday

— MELISSA, TRAVELER



Via Twitter



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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 oldest continuously inhabited European settlement in the Americas and the first seat of the Spanish colonial empire in the New World, 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-guided sightseeing tour of the city where you will see the Catedral de Santa María la Menor and Ozama Fortress.
- Visit the Ozama Fortress, the oldest European-built military structure in the Americas.
- Visit Tres Ojos Caves, a series of caves dotted with freshwater lagoons located in the eastern tip of Parque Mirador del Este.
- Travel to Jarabacoa.

Day 3: Jarabacoa

- Visit El Instituto del Ambiente, Jarabacoa's environmental school, where you'll learn about reforestation efforts within the Dominican Republic.
- Experience a waterfall hike.
- Enjoy a whitewater rafting excursion.
- Soak up local flavor with a BBQ dinner.

Day 4: Jarabacoa | Santiago

- Travel to Santiago, the second-largest city in the Dominican Republic and a tropical hotspot for Caribbean cigar and textile industries.
- Visit the Centro León museum to view its impressive collection of art tracing Dominican life throughout the 20th century.
- Explore the art of local handicrafts during a pottery-making workshop.
- Art and urban exploration combine as you participate in a street art walking tour and meet with a local nonprofit focused on supporting art within the community.

Day 5: Santiago | Northern coastal region

- Travel to Puerto Plata.
- Take a guided tour of Puerto Plata. With your expert local guide you will delve into the history of this coastal city and former trading port.
- Visit Fortaleza San Felipe, a historic Spanish fortress built to defend Puerto Plata from invaders, pirates, and privateers. Explore its rich past and strategic importance while enjoying stunning views of the surrounding coastline.
- Participate in a jiu-jitsu lesson.
- Learn about the traditions of Carnival in the Dominican Republic.

Day 6: Northern coastal region

- Enjoy time to explore or [participate in a surf lesson](#).
- Experience the thrill of a ziplining adventure through the Dominican canopy. (*Participants must weigh less than 200 lbs.*)
- Enjoy a Caribbean dance lesson.

Day 7: Northern coastal region | Santiago

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

Day 8: Depart for home

EF is a great company that provides awesome experiences for all involved. So glad I found EF because the world's doors have been opened for me and my students.

– MARRALEE, GROUP LEADER

“ Testimonial

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My daughter has gained such an amazing view of the world and history from this experience. She has not stopped talking since I picked her up at the airport. Thank you for all the organization, helpful hints, flexible payment plan, and knowledgeable tour guides.

—CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER



Tour review

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- **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.
- **All of our educational tours feature experiential learning activities** and visits to the best sites.
- **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.
- **Your full-time Tour Director is with your group** every step of the way on tour, providing insight about your destinations as well as great local tips.



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