

Get to know the Dominican Republic, a playground of tropical ecosystems and rich cultural history. Here, nature blends into metropolitan life as you glimpse beautifully restored monasteries, learn about the country's reforestation efforts, and experience snorkeling and whitewater rafting. You'll also see history and art combine as you discover traditional handcrafts and visit a local art nonprofit.

EVERYTHING YOU GET:



Full-time Tour Director



Sightseeing: Comprehensive sightseeing of natural attractions



Entrances: Columbus' tomb; Tres Ojos Cave; whitewater rafting; Centro Leon museum; pottery-making workshop; street art tour; Teleferico; Fort San Felipe; Cayo Arena mangrove and snorkeling tour; zipline



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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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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 online 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 of 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

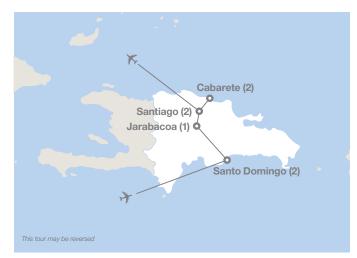




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What you'll experience on your tour

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

- Dive into island life with an expertly guided sightseeing tour of the city.
- Visit Columbus Tomb.
- Visit Tres Ojos Cave, a series of caves dotted with freshwater lagoons located in the eastern tip of Parque Mirador del Este.

Day 3: Jarabacoa

- Transfer to Jarabacoa.
- Visit the Escuela Ambiamental, 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 through a traditional
 Caribbean dinner and later, a dance lesson.

Day 4: 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 handcrafts 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.

Days 5-6: Cabarete

- Continue on to Carabete, a sun-bleached town in the Puerto Plata province and home to the Master of the Ocean kite surfing competition. Created by German windsurfer and entrepreneur Marcus Bohm in 2003, the competition provides Dominicans with the opportunity to compete side-by-side with international watersport professionals.
- Take in awe-inspiring views of the city as you ride the Teleferico cable car to the top of the massive Pico Isabel de Torres Mountain.
- Visit Fort San Felipe, a historic Spanish fortress commissioned by King Felipe II of Spain in 1564 as a means of protecting the city from pirates.
- Explore Cayo Arena mangrove during a snorkeling tour.

Day 7: Cabarete | Santiago

- Fly through the Dominican rainforest during a zip line experience.
- Enjoy free time or
- participate in a surf lesson.
- Transfer 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

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-CHARLOTTE, DAUGHTER TRAVELED JUNE 2015



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