



Tour Name

Private Santo Domingo: Salinas Beach and Dunes Rural Food Adventure

Tour City

Santo Domingo

Tour Snapshot

Explore the natural treasures of the Dominican Republic on this private tour of the idyllic southwestern part of the island. Think nature reserves, deserted beaches and some of the biggest sand dunes in the entire Caribbean. Throw in some tasty local street food *and* a traditional lunch in our favourite seafood restaurant and you have a recipe for an unforgettable day trip! Just make sure your camera/phone is fully charged to capture some breathtaking holiday snaps!

This tour is priced for a minimum group size of three travellers. A solo traveller may still book this private experience but will be charged the base rate for three travellers.

Highlights

- Explore the largest sand dunes in the Caribbean and enjoy magical sea views
- Taste delicious Dominican street food and snacks from the south of the island
- Learn about sea salt production at one of the oldest salt works in the country

- Enjoy some time on a secluded beach that locals love
- End your day with a memorable seafood lunch at one of the best restaurants in the south of the island

Inclusions: Local English-speaking guide, 1 bottle of water, Dominican lunch with fish and sea food, national park entrance, salt work entrance, 2 corn treats, 1 beer or soda, 1 pastel en hojas, private transport.

Exclusions: Additional food and drinks, souvenirs and personal shopping, tips/gratuities for your guide.

Schedule details

- Duration:7 hours

- Pickup location:

We can pick you up at any hotel or private address in Santo Domingo City, near the Santo Domingo Cruise Terminal or the Sans Souci Cruise Terminal. Please provide your pick-up address when you book the tour.

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- Pickup time: 9.00 AM

- Drop off location:

We can drop you off at the starting point, or any hotel or private address or cruise terminal in Santo Domingo City. Please provide your drop-off address when you book your tour.

Full Itinerary

Our adventure starts from Santo Domingo. We'll head out in a private, air-conditioned vehicle and make our way to the barely explored southwest of the island. Here nature and culture remain almost untouched by tourism and modern life.

Our first stop will be at a local *parador*, a sort of luxury residence where you will learn about Dominican cuisine. You will also have an opportunity to try local dishes such as *pastel en hojas*, made with plantain and roots, stuffed with mouth-watering stewed beef and covered with plantain leaves.

If your visit happens to coincide with the mango season, we will visit Bani, known by locals as mango land! Here we will stop to taste some of the sweetest and most delicious varieties of the fruit that you're likely to taste anywhere.

At our next stop you will try some really special native treats made from locally grown corn. The recipe goes back hundreds of years and the sweet and salty varieties remain popular with locals. As we eat our snacks, you will be served a refreshingly cold coconut water (in the coconut of course!) and your guide will talk to you about the types of handicrafts that are indigenous to the island.

With our bellies happy, we will arrive at the Dunes National Park, where we'll channel our inner explorer and go and study the biggest dune. If you are feeling adventurous, you can climb to the top where you will be rewarded with dazzling views of the Caribbean and the secluded, cobbled beach below.

From here we'll take you to Salinas Beach — with its powdery sand and palm trees, this is that tropical beach you dream about during the long, cold winters back home! We will spend some time here, soaking up the beach vibes and maybe going for a swim, all the while admiring the beauty of this secluded bay.

After some relaxation time on the beach, we'll make our way to the nearby salt works, where you will learn how organic sea salt is traditionally made, right here on the island. Get your camera ready because this place is impossibly picturesque and will be an envy-inducing addition to your social media feeds!

Finally, we will enjoy a fabulous dinner together at a local family restaurant where you can enjoy delicious Dominican seafood (most likely caught that day) with an ice-cold beer in hand.

Your guide will then take you back to your accommodation. Before you go, don't forget to ask for more tips on what else to see, do and eat during your stay in the stunning Dominican Republic.

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Additional information

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Dress standard: Please wear closed-toe shoes to walk at the dunes, hat or cap, sunglasses, bathing suit, towel and change of dry clothes.

Confirmation of booking: If you have your voucher, your booking is confirmed. We'll see you at your hotel for pick up. Please

check your hotel details are correct on the voucher. If your details are not correct, it is very important to please email us to confirm your correct pick up hotel using the contact details on the voucher. If you prefer you may also phone the change through to us during business hours. If you make your last minutes booking, you should call to our local hotline number to check the availability

Child Policy: This is a child-friendly tour. Children between the ages of 6 and 11 inclusively are permitted on this tour at the rate listed above. Please select 'child' above when booking. Children under the age of 6 are permitted to join this tour free of charge. Please inform us at the time of booking if you'll be bringing a child under the age of 6. You can do so in the special request box on the checkout page.

Dietary Notes

We can accommodate vegetarians and other dietary restrictions. Please notify us in advance if you have any dietary requests. You can do so in the 'Additional information' box at checkout, or by emailing us at info@santodomingourbanadventures.com.

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