



## **Tailor-Made Itinerary – carolina**



## TRIP OVERVIEW

<b>Weather</b>	25-30°C - Warm and mostly sunny with occasional showers
<b>Budget</b>	€1,400 / person
<b>Safety</b>	Low Risk - Stay aware of your surroundings and avoid isolated areas at night.



## ✦ Introduction

Dear Carolina,

Thank you for entrusting Travel Differently with your special journey. Based on your preferences, we have crafted a preliminary 8-day itinerary for your honeymoon in the Dominican Republic, focusing on relaxation, direct travel, and boutique hotel experiences. This proposal leverages our expert local knowledge and is designed to be fully customizable to your pace, interests, and comfort.

- **Traveler Profile:** 2 adults (couple, honeymoon)
- **Dates:** November 3–11, 2026 (8 days, 7 nights)

- **Budget:** Approx. €700 per person
- **Style:** Boutique hotels, relaxation, direct routing
- **Interests:** Rest, climate, easy logistics

**TIP:** To stay within your budget, combine 1–2 “treat” nights at a special property with several nights in locally owned boutique guesthouses (€80–120/night).

## **Why the Dominican Republic?**

The Dominican Republic offers a perfect blend of idyllic beaches, vibrant culture, and boutique hospitality. November is an excellent time to visit: the hurricane season is ending, temperatures are warm (avg. 28°C/82°F), and crowds are lighter. The country’s infrastructure allows for direct flights and smooth transfers, especially to popular honeymoon destinations like Punta Cana, Samaná, and Las Terrenas. Boutique hotels here provide intimacy, charm, and personalized service—ideal for a romantic escape.

**TIP:** November is a shoulder season—expect mostly sunny weather, lighter crowds, and better rates. Bring a light rain layer for occasional showers.

## **Custom Program**

### **Day 1: Arrival in Punta Cana – Welcome to Paradise**



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**Morning:** International arrival at Punta Cana International Airport (PUJ). Private transfer (15–30 min) to your boutique hotel in Punta Cana Village or Playa Bávaro. Early check-in arranged if possible.

- **Afternoon:** Settle in, enjoy a welcome cocktail, and relax by the pool or on the beach.
- **Evening:** Romantic beachfront dinner at the hotel's restaurant.
- **Highlight:** Sunset stroll along Bávaro Beach.
- **Accommodation Options:**

- **Tortuga Bay – Puntacana Resort & Club** (luxury eco-boutique) – Cap Cana/Punta Cana. Oscar de la Renta design, private beach, part of a leading sustainability program (coral restoration, reforestation, sea turtle protection). From €350–450/night. Ideal for a honeymoon splurge night.
- **Adults-only Boutique Hotel** (locally managed) – Bávaro/El Cortecito. Small, Dominican-owned guesthouse (10–20 rooms), contemporary Caribbean style, pool, AC, short walk to the beach. From €80–120/night. Supports local staff and businesses.
- **Boutique Hotel near Punta Cana Village** – Airport side. Urban-style, 20–40 rooms, easy access to airport, supports local cafes. From €70–90/night.
- **[To Customize]:** Preferred arrival time, dietary restrictions, room type.

**TIP:** Choose smaller, locally managed properties over large all-inclusives to reduce resource use and support the community.

## **Day 2: Punta Cana – Spa & Leisure**



- **Morning:** Couples' spa treatment at the hotel or nearby wellness center. 60–90 min massage using local products (coconut, cacao, coffee scrubs) in an open-air palapa or spa cabin. **€80–150 per couple.**
- **Afternoon:** Free time for beach, pool, or optional water sports.  
**Optional:** Small-group sailing/catamaran with snorkeling (eco-operator, reef-friendly). 3–4 hours, **€50–80 per person.**
- **Evening:** Explore local dining at Playa Blanca or a romantic dinner in

Cap Cana Marina.

- **Highlight:** Private cabana reserved for sunset cocktails.
- **Accommodation Options:**
  - Same hotel options as Day 1.
- **[To Customize]:** Choice of spa treatments, add-on excursions.

**TIP:** Bring reef-safe sunscreen and a reusable bottle for excursions. Many local spas use sustainable, locally sourced ingredients.

### **Day 3: Punta Cana to Samaná Peninsula – Road to Tranquility**



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- **Morning:** Private transfer to Samaná Peninsula (approx. 4h, scenic drive via new highway; comfort stop included).
- **Afternoon:** Check-in at boutique hotel in Las Terrenas or Samaná town. Lunch at a beachfront café. Explore the village or relax by the sea.
- **Evening:** Dinner at the hotel or a local seafood restaurant.
- **Highlight:** Evening walk along Playa Bonita.
- **Accommodation Options:**

- **Dominican Tree House Village** (eco-lodge) – El Valle, Samaná Peninsula. Open-air treehouses in the jungle, rope bridges, plantation setting, low-impact, breakfast and some activities included. From €160–220/night. Magical for 1–3 nights in nature.
- **Eco-boutique Guesthouse** – Playa Cosón/Las Terrenas. Small, locally owned villa or B&B (8–20 rooms), tropical gardens, solar water heating, natural ventilation, walking distance to beach and local shops. From €80–130/night.
- **Casa-style Beachside Boutique** – Playa Bonita/Las Terrenas. Beach access, local decor, breakfast included, supports local businesses. From €90–120/night.
- **[To Customize]:** Preferred transfer time, hotel selection.

**TIP:** The 4-hour road transfer is direct and comfortable. For a premium experience, a private helicopter transfer (45 min) is available at extra cost.

#### **Day 4: Samaná – Waterfalls & Nature**



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**Morning:** Guided excursion to El Limón Waterfall (hike or horseback, 2–3h; moderate, bring swimwear). **€25–40 per person** in a small group, includes local guide and ranch lunch.

- **Afternoon:** Lunch at a local ranch. Return to hotel for relaxation or optional yoga session.
- **Evening:** Dinner in Las Terrenas village (recommendation: El Lugar).
- **Highlight:** Swimming in the natural pool beneath the waterfall.
- **Accommodation Options:**
  - Same hotel options as Day 3.
- **[To Customize]:** Hiking vs. horseback, dietary preferences.

**TIP:** Choose a local operator that limits group size and keeps to marked

trails to protect the environment. Bring good sandals or light hiking shoes.

## **Day 5: Samaná – Secluded Beaches & Leisure**



- **Morning:** Private transfer to Playa Cosón or Playa Rincón (30–60 min). Enjoy one of the Caribbean’s most beautiful, uncrowded beaches.
- **Afternoon:** Optional: Kayak, paddleboard, or simply relax. Picnic lunch arranged at a family-run beach restaurant. **€25–45 per person**

for transport and lunch.

- **Evening:** Return to hotel. Optional sunset horseback ride.
- **Highlight:** Secluded beach picnic for two.
- **Accommodation Options:**
  - Same hotel options as Day 3.
- **[To Customize]:** Activity selection, dietary needs.

**TIP:** Support family-run beach shacks and avoid disturbing dunes and mangroves. Stick to existing paths to protect the ecosystem.

## **Day 6: Samaná – Culture & Village Life**



- **Morning:** Explore Las Terrenas: artisan shops, local markets, and vibrant street art.  
**Optional:** Guided food and village walk (3–4h), tasting local fruit, empanadas, cacao, and rum. **€30–50 per person.**
- **Afternoon:** Free time for beach or pool.  
**Optional:** Private salsa or bachata dance lesson for couples (1h, €30–50 per couple).
- **Evening:** Dinner at a local fusion restaurant (recommendation: Baraonda).
- **Highlight:** Private dance class for couples.

- **Accommodation Options:**

- Same hotel options as Day 3.

- **[To Customize]:** Add-on experiences, special requests.

**TIP:** Many small eco-lodges and tours prefer cash (DOP) and basic Spanish. Learning a few phrases helps your tips go directly to local guides and vendors.

📍 **Day 7: Samaná to Punta Cana – Return to the Coast**



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**Morning:** Leisurely breakfast. Private transfer back to Punta Cana (4h, comfort stop included).

- **Afternoon:** Check-in at a boutique hotel near the airport or beach. Last swim or poolside relaxation.
- **Evening:** Farewell dinner at a gourmet restaurant (recommendation: La Yola, Cap Cana).
- **Highlight:** Final sunset toast by the sea.
- **Accommodation Options:**
  - **Tortuga Bay – Puntacana Resort & Club** (luxury eco-boutique) – Cap Cana/Punta Cana. From €350–450/night. Ideal for a final splurge night.
  - **TRS Turquesa Hotel** (adults-only, boutique feel) – Bávaro Beach. Modern, beachfront, adults-only. From €120–180/night.
  - **Boutique Hotel near Punta Cana Village** – Airport side. Urban-style, 20–40 rooms, convenient for early flights. From €70–90/night.
- **[To Customize]:** Early vs. late transfer, special dinner arrangements.

**TIP:** For your last night, a boutique hotel near the airport saves time and reduces transfer emissions before your flight.

## **Day 8: Departure – Hasta Luego**



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**Morning:** Breakfast at hotel. Private transfer to Punta Cana International Airport (15–30 min, 2h buffer for check-in).

- **Afternoon:** International departure.
- **Highlight:** Departure with lasting memories and personalized souvenirs.
- **[To Customize]:** Departure flight time, late check-out if needed.

**TIP:** All airport–hotel transfers are private and direct. For early flights, stay near the airport for a stress-free departure.

## ✦ Customizable Options

- **Upgrade to private helicopter transfer** between Punta Cana and Samaná (45 min, scenic, premium experience; higher cost, not low-emission unless offset).
- **Private catamaran cruise** (half or full day, snorkeling, lunch included, eco-operator, reef-friendly). From €50–80 per person (small group).
- **Professional honeymoon photoshoot** at sunset on the beach.
- **Gourmet tasting menu** with wine pairing at a top restaurant.
- **Wellness package:** daily yoga, meditation, or private fitness sessions.
- **Guided cultural excursions** (cocoa/coffee plantation, local art workshops).

**TIP:** Prioritize a few key eco-experiences (El Limón, Los Haitises, spa, or dance class) to stay within budget and maximize impact.

## ✦ Alternative Options

- **Slower pace:** Stay the full week in Samaná or Punta Cana for maximum relaxation, fewer transfers.
- **Budget focus:** Choose smaller boutique guesthouses (10–15 rooms), local dining, and shared transfers. Many eco-boutiques in Las Terrenas and Punta Cana Village are €70–110/night.

- **Active adventure:** Add hiking in Los Haitises National Park (full-day boat & mangrove tour, €60–90 per person), ziplining at Dominican Tree House Village (€20–40 per person), or whale watching (seasonal: Jan–Mar).

**TIP:** Shared shuttles and public buses (Caribe Tours, guaguas) are the most sustainable transport options, but private transfers are more comfortable for couples.

## ✦ Practical Info & Budget

- **Seasonality:** November is warm, post-rainy, with fewer crowds. Occasional showers possible, but mostly sunny.
- **Comfort:** All hotels offer AC, pools, and high comfort. Boutique properties are handpicked for couples.
- **Health & Visa:** No visa required for most nationalities (TBD for your passport). Routine vaccines recommended. Bottled water advised.
- **Logistics:** All transfers are private and direct. No day exceeds 4h of driving. Airport–hotel transfers included.

Item	Estimated Cost (per person)
Accommodations (7 nights: mix of boutique guesthouses and 1–2 splurge nights)	€560–840

Private transfers & excursions (El Limón, beach day, spa, etc.)	€200–350
Meals (local restaurants, beach shacks)	€140–280
<b>Total Estimated Cost</b>	<b>€900–1,400</b>



**TIP:** To meet your €700 pp budget, focus on boutique guesthouses (€80–110/night), limit private excursions, and enjoy local dining. Let us know your priorities for a tailored quote.

## ✦ **Next Steps**


- Please review this proposal and share your feedback—preferences, must-haves, or any changes.
- Let us know your preferred hotel style, transfer comfort, and any special honeymoon touches you desire.
- Once we receive your input, we'll refine the itinerary, confirm availability, and provide a detailed quote.

We look forward to making your Dominican Republic honeymoon unforgettable!


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