

RELIGIOUS CEREMONIES:

For those seeking a tropical setting, but still wanting a religious ceremony, it is possible to arrange a church wedding in Dominican Republic. Many hotels have experience with church weddings and a Dominican wedding specialist will be able to better assist the couple through the formalities.

WEDDING REQUIREMENTS:

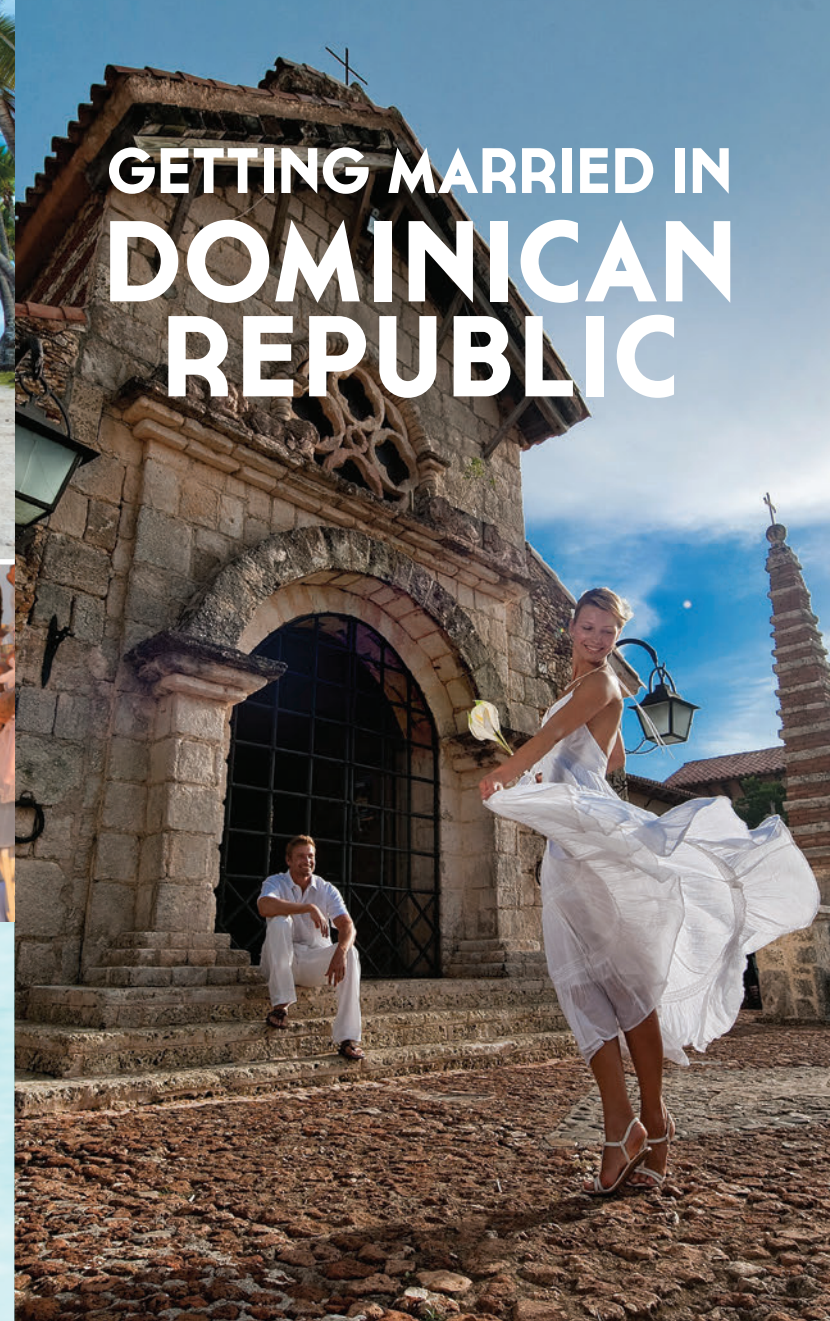
Submit the following paperwork before the Oficialía del Estado Civil (Civil Registry Office) for the preparation of your marriage certificate. You may send photocopies in advance and bring the original with you. Note that the documents are required to be translated into Spanish by an official translator:

- Original passport with photocopy of the front page with the latest entries into the country.
- Sworn declaration before a notary public of being single and eligible to marry, known as a Single Status Affidavit.
- Original Birth Certificates.
- If previously married, the Divorce Certificate or Death Certificate, if applicable.
- Adoption Certificate, if applicable.
- Parental Authorization, if applicable.
- Two or more witnesses with valid passports. Relatives cannot be witnesses.

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- An authorization from an archbishop in the couple's country of residence to the local archdiocese, if the couple wishes to marry in the Roman Catholic Church.
- Pre-marriage Certificate.
- Civil Marriage Certificate legalized by the Dominican Consulate, if the couple has already contracted a civil marriage in their country.
- Baptismal Certificates.
- Confirmation Certificates.
- Church Certificate of Annulment, if applicable.

Legal transcripts of the birth certificates, single status affidavit and divorce certificate are prepared at the Dominican Consulate in the country where the documents were issued.



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Breathtaking coastline, pristine beaches, enchanting history and fascinating culture set the stage for unparalleled romantic moments in the Caribbean's second largest country, Dominican Republic. The dynamic destination caters to "lovebirds" as its resorts not only provide professional wedding services, but also offer a variety of attractions that ensure an unforgettable celebration.

With more than 25 percent of its land and coastal areas preserved as national parks, reserves and sanctuaries, Dominican Republic's magnificent nature, stunning sea and sand, and world-class accommodations create one-of-a-kind wedding backdrop. From lush tropical gardens and romantic beaches with candlelit ceremonies to unique quaint villages and historical cathedrals, Dominican Republic accommodates memorable affairs for every style and budget.

Named one of 20 "Best Honeymoon Destinations in 2011" and one of the "12 Romantic Spots Ideal For Vows" in 2013 by Destinations Weddings & Honeymoons magazine, Dominican Republic boasts a collection of boutique, all-inclusive and family-friendly resorts that feature professional wedding planners, a variety of packages and professional support for an enchanting celebration. The country also offers a favorable exchange rate and eight international airports, making it easily accessible from major cities worldwide.



The Wedding

Pure bliss for honeymoons and destination weddings, Dominican Republic has become a Caribbean favorite for romance and the perfect backdrop for tying the knot. Brides-to-be conveniently have access to a vast variety of hotels that offer comprehensive wedding packages that include wedding coordinators, a photographer, honeymoon suites, personalized wedding cakes, catering, music, flowers, bridal treatments, couples spa services, amenities for guests and more to guarantee that the wedding day is as hassle-free, cost-effective and relaxed as possible. Your biggest worry will be staying dry-eyed when you say, "I do."

The Honeymoon

Dominican Republic is an all-in-one package, as the country is a popular destination for honeymooners as well. Couples can choose from a variety of environments to provide for a once-in-a-lifetime romantic experience – breathtaking Punta Cana, luxurious La Romana, historic and romantic capital city Santo Domingo, eco-pristine Samaná and adventurous Puerto Plata. Many of the destinations are only one to two hours apart, so couples have the opportunity to explore more than one area during their stay.

