

dominican republic

Cabarete is on the north eastern shores of the Dominican Republic which forms two thirds of Hispaniola and is the second largest of the Caribbean Islands. Cabarete is located on the relatively undeveloped north eastern shores. The entire village is heavily devoted to the windsurfing and kitesurfing. It has a typically Caribbean atmosphere, with laid back bars and brightly coloured local houses, in sharp contrast to the comparative luxury of the high standard holiday accommodation. Cabarete is one of those rare windsurfing destinations, where sailing conditions can suit all levels and improvement in confidence and ability can almost be guaranteed at this wonderful, year round venue.

Fact File

Best Time: January to March - wave conditions. April to Sept -slalom conditions.

Launch: Sandy beach, exposed reef upwind.

Wind Direction: Cross/cross off-shore from right.

Wind Type: Frontal/ Accelerated Trades.

Shorebreak: Normally slight in centre of bay, strong on downwind side.

Water Conditions: Flatwater, rolling swells between reefs & waves.

Suitability: All levels.



Air°C	26	26	26	27	26	27	28	30	30	29	27	26
Water°C	26	26	26	28	27	27	27	28	28	28	28	27

CLUB MISTRAL

On the 4km long beach of crescent shaped bay. Reef 600m offshore. Slight wind shadow, clean wind 50m off shore. Shallow water to edge of reef. Rescue & storage available. Kit Range: 2009/10 approx 50 Mistral & Fanatic Boards & 70 rigs. North Sails sizes 3.7-8.1m².

Board Hire 1 wk £179 2 wks £299

SKYRIDERS

Mobile operation using best location to fit conditions/skill level. Wide training beach with ideal conditions. Preferred sites La Policia, Pozo Beach (Word Cup location) & Kite Beach all within 5 mins walk. Video Clinic & surf safari. Rescue & storage available. Rental: North approx 10 boards & 25 kites. Sizes: 4.0-16m².

Kite Hire 1 wk £199 2 wks £319

Instruction: Starter, Progress, Advanced, Unlimited, Kids, clinics, groups & private. Kitesurf: All levels. Joker voucher.

Other Sports: Surfing, Diving, Mountain Biking, Hiking, Tennis, Horse riding, Golf. Beach volleyball.

Excursions: Boat trips. Good value local bars (Happy Hour) & restaurants, live bands. Group trips/activities with Club Mistral.



Velero Beach Resort



Location: Approximately 25 minutes drive from the airport and located on the idyllic eastern end of Cabarete beach surrounded by tropical gardens.

Accommodation: This deluxe resort has 50 air-conditioned and spacious rooms spread over three storeys. All rooms and suites have a direct view on the ocean with modern amenities. The double rooms are on the ground and first floors featuring satellite TV, safe, phone, internet access, fridge and private balcony. The deluxe rooms are slightly larger and located on the top floor. They are equally



equipped but with a king size bed and luxurious bathroom. The junior suites have a separate bedroom, living room and well appointed kitchen.

Facilities: Swimming pool, beach/pool bar, 24 hours security, fitness centre, beach club, terrace, infinity pool and nearby supermarket. Breakfast is served on the terrace of the beach bar with spectacular ocean view. Activities such as mountain biking, horse riding and scuba diving are available.

Windsurfing/Kitesurfing: Next door to the Club Mistral/Skyriders centre on the beach and short 5 minute walk from Vela Spinout Centre.



El Magnifico



Location: Around 25 minutes drive from the airport. Situated on the edge of the village, well set back from the road and separated from the beach only by the dunes.

Accommodation: The beautifully designed complex has several three storey buildings comprising of studios and apartments, each air conditioned and individually furnished. Each a slightly different layout with the choice of Standard Rooms with private bath, Junior Suites with garden view and the Deluxe Suites with sea view. One and two bedroom apartments are also available with a bath, living room, separate bedroom/s, kitchen and a balcony.

Facilities: The swimming pool and sun terrace are in the middle of the grounds surrounded by a magnificent garden. A jacuzzi is situated right on the beach. Daily cleaning service. Babysitting services available (subject to fee). Wireless internet access. All units are self-catering with many restaurants and bars very close by.

Windsurfing/Kitesurfing: Situated a short 5 minutes (200m) walk from the Club Mistral/Skyriders centre and Vela Spinout centre.





Sailing Spot & Conditions

The variety is truly unique. Upwind the protected area inside the reef provides a flat water, slalom area. In the centre of the bay, the wide gap in the reef allows access to gentle rolling Atlantic swells. The reef is exposed in places but downwind sits 2-3m below the surface provide safe, wave sailing and good jumping conditions. With a wide bay, there is room for everyone with windsurfing and kitesurfing zones. The wind builds gently in the morning, perfect for beginners in the upwind, shallow water training area. From May to October the wind blows mainly sideshore Force 4-5. From November to April it mainly blows cross offshore building to Force 5-7, is less consistent but wave conditions increase to 4m high waves. There are many superb surfing spots here for entry level to expert.

Caribe Surf Hotel



Location: Set amongst picturesque palm grove on the upwind end of Cabarete beach. Approximately 30 minutes from the airport and 100m from the beach. Ideally located in the village.



Accommodation: A small, family run hotel with relaxed and friendly atmosphere. All rooms have bathroom with shower, cable TV, WiFi, safety box, fan fridge and balcony or terrace. Some of the rooms have sea views.

Facilities: Tropical gardens with small relaxing pool & small bar. The Toma La Luna restaurant is open in the evenings and offers excellent meals. Breakfast is served in the Veleró hotel, which is directly adjacent to the hotel.

Windsurfing/Kitesurfing: 3 minutes walk to Club Mistral/Skyriders centre and 300m from Vela SpinOut centre.



Agualina Kite Resort



Location: Located right in the heart of Kite Beach. 20 minutes from the airport and only 5 minutes taxi or 20 minute beach walk from the centre of Cabarete.

Accommodation: This new hotel is made up of 22 luxury apartments or rooms. Standard Rooms, Studios, Junior Suites and 1, 2 or 3 bedroom Apartments all have sea views. All tastefully furnished with private entrance, air-conditioning, en-suite bathroom, telephone, satellite TV, high speed internet access, fridge, safe, and private balcony or terrace. Except for the standard rooms, all have an equipped kitchen or kitchenette. Apartments have additional living room. The deluxe, top floor Penthouse Apartment can accommodate 4-6 persons.



Facilities: Swimming pool, ocean front restaurant and bar. Daily housekeeping, baby sitting service and small shopping area. Free internet access in lobby. Supermarket close by.

Windsurfing/Kitesurfing: Dare2Fly Kitesurfing School on-site with storage. Club Mistral and Spinout Windsurf in Cabarete Bay 2-3km.



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VELA SPINOUT



Perfectly situated in the middle of Cabarete Bay, directly between the two reefs and 30m from the water's edge, with small shore break. Rescue & storage. Kit Range: Approx 125 2010 JP & Starboard boards & rigs. Full range 2010 Neil Pryde sails. Sizes 1.0-9.2m². Pool system. Kiddy rigs available. Boogie board & Kayaks.

Board Hire 1 wk £173 2 wks £277

DARE2FLY

IKO kiteboarding centre based at Kite Beach, 2.5km downwind from sister company Vela Spinout. Training area, ideal conditions. Direct access to Cabarete bay. Storage available. Rental: Cabrinha boards & kites. Sizes: 4.0-16m². Starboard & Cabrinha SUP. Dedicated hire service.

Kite Hire 1 wk £218 2 wks £336

Instruction: All levels of instruction.

Prices (7 nights) from:	Low	High
Veleró Beach Resort	£719	£988
El Magnifico	£709	£958
Caribe Surf Hotel	£679	£918
Agualina Kite Resort	£679	£919

Price includes return flights, accommodation & transfers.