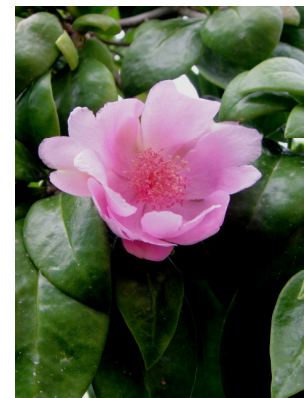


Country Fact File: DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Name of country	República Dominicana named after St Dominic
Continent	North America
Hemisphere	northern
Borders	Haiti
Capital City	Santo Domingo
Official language	Spanish
Population	10,075,045 (2016 estimate)
Area	48,445 km ²
Currency	Dominican Peso
Time Zone	UTC -4
Motto	Dios, Patria, Libertad
National Anthem	Quisqueyanos Valientes
Highest mountain	Pico Duarte 3,098 m above sea level
Longest river	Yaque del Norte 298 km
National sport	Baseball



palmchat
the national bird



Bayahiba rose
the national flower

Other Dominican facts

- ◆ 2nd largest Caribbean nation
- ◆ eastern two thirds of the island of Hispaniola
- ◆ first permanent European settlement in the Americas
- ◆ most visited destination in the Caribbean
- ◆ Merengue and Bachata are national music and dance forms
- ◆ Enriquillo lake, a salt lake 45m below sea level, is the lowest point in the Caribbean
- ◆ One of the most popular dishes is called La Bandera (The Flag)

Famous Dominicans

Oscar de la Renta	Michelle Rodriguez
Juan Luis Guerra	Zoe Saldana
Adrián Beltré	Dania Ramírez