

WELCOME TO THE **SANTO DOMINGO** INSIDER COLLECTION

Truly memorable meetings and events with authentic local flavor – that is the inspiration behind the InterContinental Insider Collection.

Our network of hotels and resorts is global; our knowledge and expertise local, giving planners guaranteed choice, range and depth to add to any meeting or conference. Each hotel offers its own bespoke selection of services which are firmly rooted in their location and are responsibly guided by our partnership with National Geographic's Center for Sustainable Destinations.

The options are limitless, the local knowledge rich, the service professional and faultless, the delegate experience enriching and rewarding every time.

Sample for yourself some of our wonderful Santo Domingo experiences.

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INSIDER LOCATIONS

Choose an InterContinental venue for your event and a world of possibilities opens up. As locals, your hotel team hold the key to a side of your locality tourists never see. What and who they know gives you an exclusive mix of authentic venues and experiences to play with.

INSIDER SPEAKERS

Bring your event to life with an inspirational speaker – someone who can really strike a chord with your delegates and enrich their experience beyond measure. Fascinating and engaging, motivating Insider Speakers range from celebrities and cultural experts to sporting heroes. Whatever their passion, they all have a local connection and you will discover that their unique insights and local know-how make your event one to remember.

INSIDER COMMUNITY

There's nothing quite like immersing yourself in the community to gain an added depth and understanding to your experience in a new destination. Insider Community has been designed to benefit local people and create truly memorable and meaningful experiences for your delegates too.

INSIDER INTERACTIONS

This team-building experience will help your delegates connect with each other as never before. Using the unique character, heritage or geography of your destination to inspire interaction, each experience, whether based on or off-site offers an original way to engage delegates and motivate them to build effective working relationships.

INSIDER BREAKS

With Insider Collection even your breaks are fulfilling experiences. From serving up a delicious lunch of provincial dishes for a taste of regional cuisine to spending some quality time with your Concierge team to get their best insider tips, a few minutes out of your busy schedule becomes a whole experience in itself.

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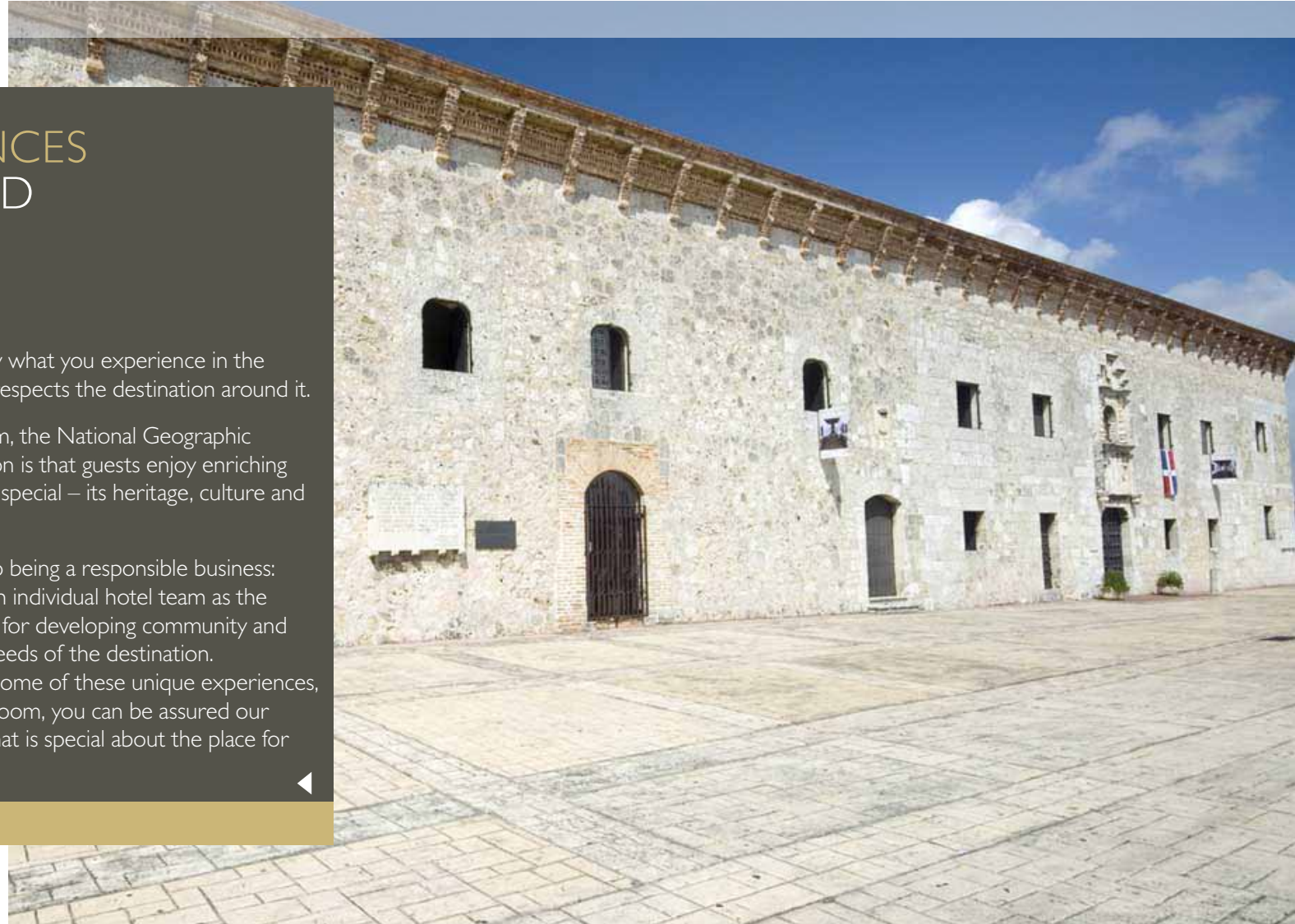
ENRICHING EXPERIENCES FOR OUR GUESTS AND OUR ENVIRONMENT

We believe that a responsible meeting is not only what you experience in the meeting room but also knowing that your hotel respects the destination around it.

We're proud to partner the leaders in geotourism, the National Geographic Center for Sustainable Destinations. Our ambition is that guests enjoy enriching experiences that reveal what makes a place truly special – its heritage, culture and tradition – and the importance of protecting it.

At InterContinental we use a holistic approach to being a responsible business: to work from the grass roots up, recognising each individual hotel team as the experts best placed to use their local knowledge for developing community and environmental initiatives that meet the specific needs of the destination. This Insider Collection gives delegates access to some of these unique experiences, and for those meetings that stay in the meeting room, you can be assured our hotel is working behind the scenes to protect what is special about the place for fellow travellers.

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HOLD PART OF YOUR MEETING IN THE FIRST MONASTERY OF THE NEW WORLD

The Monastery of San Francisco was built in 1508 by Nicolas De Ovando and was the first monastery in the whole of the Americas. Located in the Colonial Zone of the city, it has immense historical and symbolic significance. Having survived earthquakes, hurricanes and pirate attacks, this was the site where many Spanish settlers first began their exploration of Central and South America.

You can hold a unique and memorable event among the ruins of this beautiful Franciscan church where delegates will be inspired by its romance and will savor the opportunity to step back in time in an atmosphere steeped in history.

You can choose the theme for your event and be reassured that every detail will be catered for.

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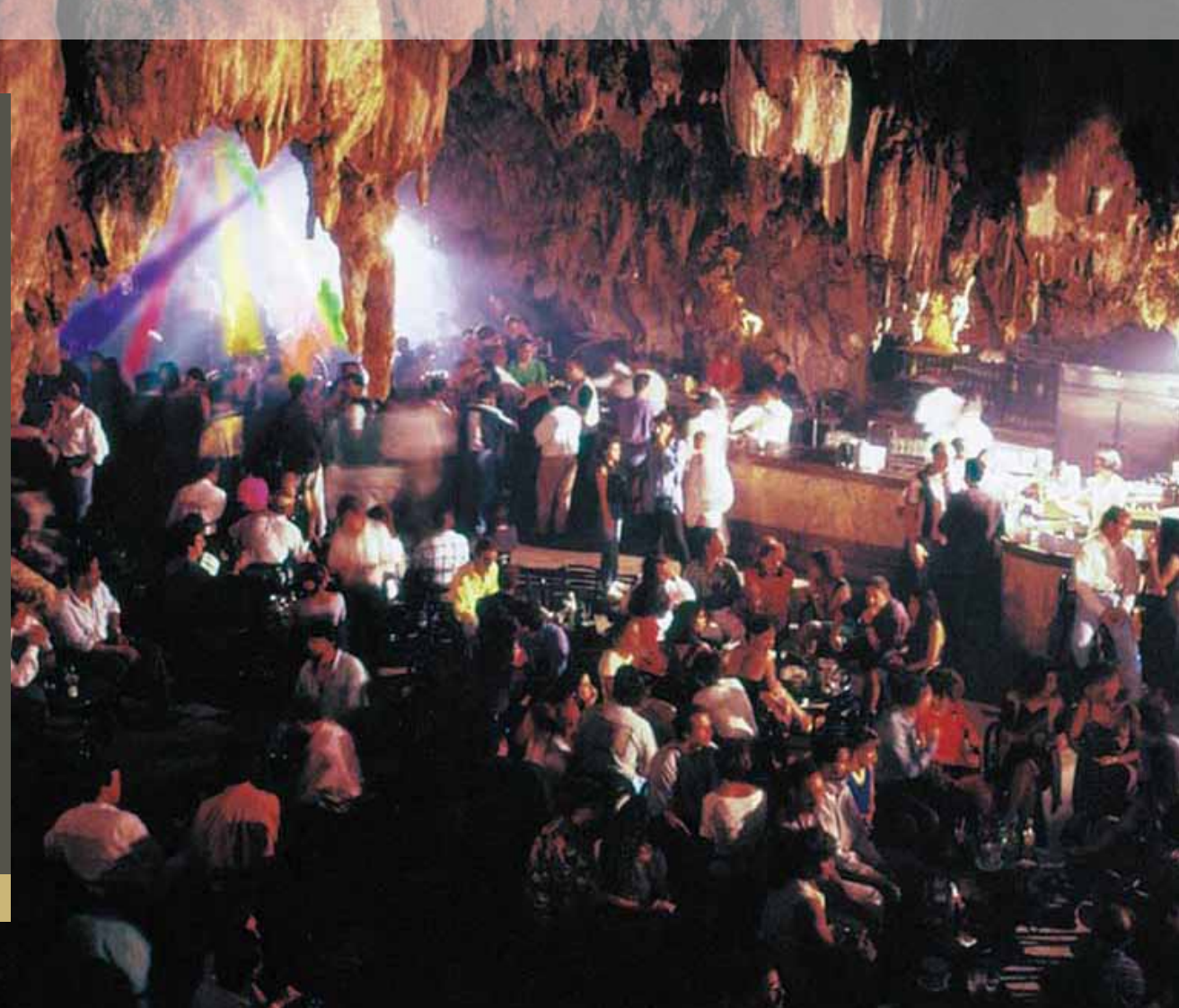


HAVE YOUR EVENT UNDERGROUND

The Guacara Taina cave disco is the only one of its kind in the world and it comfortably hosts events for up to 4,000 people within caverns adorned with original pre-Colombian paintings and murals. All the action takes place 80 ft below ground where the temperature is a constant 65 degrees Fahrenheit.

We will transfer delegates to this natural cavern at 'Mirador Sur' state park and plan and prepare all the fine details for you to help make your event go with a swing. This subterranean adventure is sure to prove an unforgettable and unique experience for your delegates.

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LIVE LIKE A DOMINICAN – LEARN TO DANCE THE ‘MERENGUE’

For a lively and authentic travel experience, connect with local tradition, culture and history while dancing to the Dominican rhythm of ‘merengue’. Whether for business or pleasure your delegates will enjoy this unique activity experiencing at first hand what it is to be a true Dominican.

An expert dance instructor will be on-hand to pass on dancing skills and provide cultural insights into the proud tradition of dance in The Dominican Republic. Your delegates will also have the opportunity to take part in a dance contest – a fantastic way to build morale and inspire teamwork.

At the end each participant will receive a CD with a selection of the very best Dominican ‘merengues’ to take home with them.

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‘MERENGUE’ DANCERS

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DISCOVER THE SECRETS OF CIGAR MAKING

Bring a different twist to your meeting with a demonstration and talk by a local cigar expert. Delegates can learn the fascinating history of this vital trade for The Dominican Republic and share insights on the intricate and highly skilled process of hand-making cigars to global standard.

The largest producer of the finest cigars in the world, The Dominican Republic is known as 'Cigar Country' to enthusiasts everywhere. Dominican varieties are of a far superior quality overall with products that cover a wide range of aromas, colors and price tags. Delegates won't be able to resist sampling and returning home with a local 'stogie' (handmade cigar) or two of their own.

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BOND AS A TEAM, HELP LOCAL ORPHANS

InterContinental V Centenario Santo Domingo invites your delegates to enjoy the rewards of helping local children.

Villa Benedición is an orphanage inspired by the enigmatic Dominican pastor, Lucy Cosme de Scourtias. What started as a simple act of human kindness on her part has now become a haven for almost 200 children.

InterContinental V Centenario Santo Domingo has been working with Villa Benedición providing corporate volunteer activities and donations for the children of the orphanage. Activities include preparing and serving the children's meals, organizing social or sporting events and helping to maintain the facility. We can organize similar events for your group to give you and your colleagues the opportunity to enjoy some fun and rewarding downtime with these very special children.

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REFORESTATION CAMPAIGN ACTIVITY

Cooperating with the environment and conservation of Dominican forest is a dynamic activity for all participants.

The activity promises to be of great interest to all participants and highlights all rural and mountain areas of the country. This event will be organized with the local Ministry of Environment and includes all plants, reforestation materials, transportation, snacks on route and lunch box with soft drinks.

A hotel guide and an environmental specialist will chaperone during this event.

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REFORESTATION OF THE DOMINICAN FOREST

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LEARN HOW TO COOK DOMINICAN STEW

With the support of our chef your delegates can learn how to create this classic Dominican dish.

The 'Sancocho' recipe, common in the North-East of the Island, varies from region to region. It usually consists of large pieces of meat and vegetables served in a broth.

Delegates will enjoy interacting with our kitchen team and learning authentic Dominican cooking skills from our experienced chef. Something that will stay with them always.

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WHITEWATER RAFTING AT JARABACOA

Invite your delegates to an experience of a lifetime at Jarabacoa – a beautiful city located in the mountainous central rainforest, about two hours from Santo Domingo.

Under the experienced supervision of eco-adventure instructors, delegates will get the opportunity to take on the 'Yaque del Norte' River whose source is on the highest peak of the Caribbean, 'El Pico Duarte'. These magnificent rapids provide an exhilarating ride through the canyon and waterfalls with breathtaking views of Jarabacoa and its natural surroundings.

All equipment, transportation to and from the site, breakfast, lunch and soft drinks are included.

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WORK UP A HEALTHY APPETITE

During this break, our chef will be on hand to provide nutritional information and cooking techniques for healthy eating.

Our menu selection includes:

- Celery juice
- Parsley and orange
- Soya milk oatmeal
- Low fat yoghurt
- Garbanzo croquettes
- Mini palm wrap with avocado
- Fiber with honey biscuit
- Mini pizza beans
- Casabe artichokes stuffed with cheese

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EXPERIENCE SANTO DOMINGO CULTURE AND CUISINE

Indulge in an authentic taste of Dominican cuisine with delicious morsels of local food specialities to the backdrop of traditional music.

Our menu selection includes:

- Carrot and beet juice with ginger
- Sweet carrot rolls
- Pork in casaba canapés
- Casaba carimanolas
- Beet mini muffins
- Sweet potato bread

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ENJOY THIS COCONUT BREAK

With this unusual break we offer delegates a choice of delicious and refreshing coconut-based hors d'oeuvres.

Our menu selection includes:

- Coconut milk (in coconut container)
- Wrap with coconut and shrimp
- Coconut cinnamon bread
- Coconut tarts
- Coconut melao
- Dram of dulce de coco

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THANK YOU

Contact us to learn more about the Santo Domingo Insider Collection and how we can help you create a truly memorable experience with authentic local flavor.

Whichever Insider Collection experience is right for you, you can be assured that it reflects the best principles of Responsible Business, a commitment demonstrated by our partnership with the National Geographic Center for Sustainable Destinations.

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