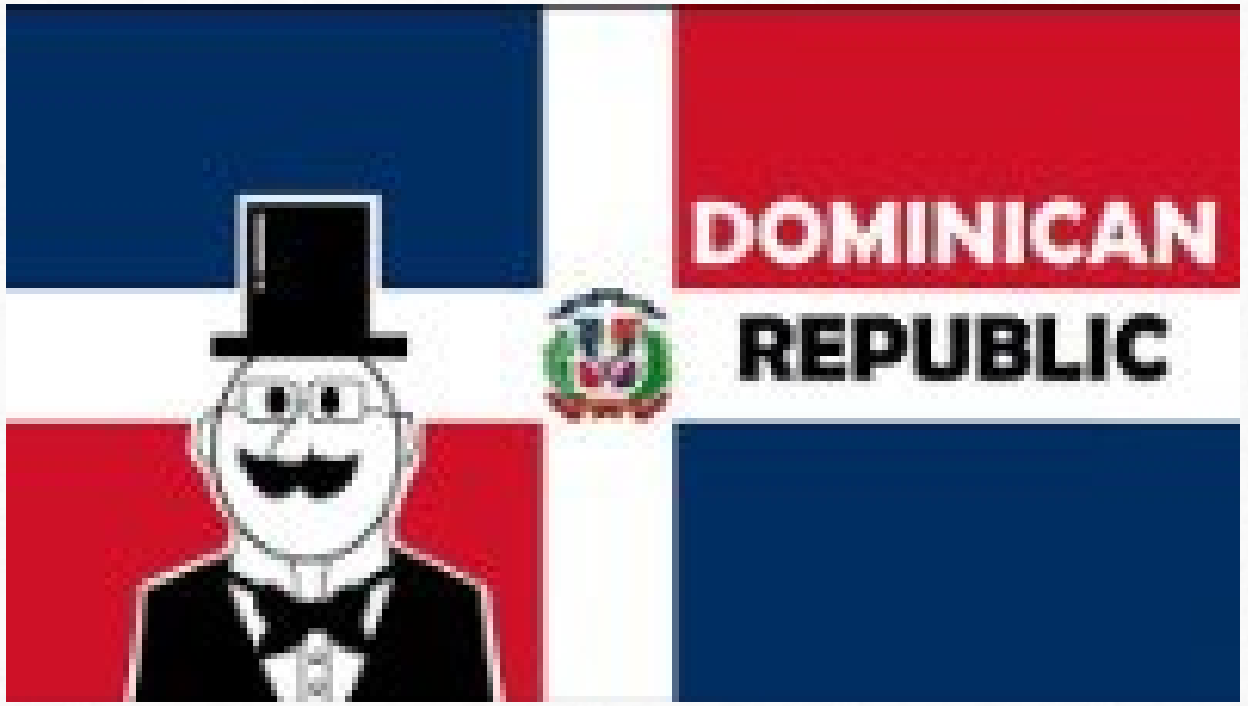
Dominican Independence day
February 27



History time



The Dominican Republic has two independence days.

- The Dominican Republic's first independence day is February 27th, marking its independence from Haiti in 1844, and the other on August 16th, known as Restoration Day, commemorating its 1863 victory in restoring independence from Spanish rule



When did slavery end in the Dominican Republic?

- 1822
- Meanwhile, slavery was abolished in 1804 in the French part of the island
- later in the Spanish part when it was unified under Haitian rule in 1822.
- In 1844 when the Dominican Republic became an independent country, slavery remained prohibited.

7 BEST DOMINICAN REPUBLIC BEACHES



PLAYA MINITAS, LA ROMANA



PLAYA DORADA, PUERTO PLATA



PLAYA GRANDE



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CAYO LEVANTADO, SAMANÁ PROVINCE



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PLAYA BOCA CHICA, BOCA CHICA

Dominican Republic

- Dominican Republic
- Country in the Caribbean
- Description
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- The Dominican Republic is a Caribbean nation that shares the island of Hispaniola with Haiti to the west.
- It's known for its beaches, resorts and golfing.
- Its terrain comprises rainforest, savannah and highlands, including Pico Duarte, the Caribbean’s tallest mountain.
- Capital city Santo Domingo has Spanish landmarks like the Gothic Catedral Primada de America dating back 5 centuries in its Zona Colonial district.
- Capital: Santo Domingo
- Currency: Dominican peso

About the country

- A Democratic nation with a population of over 10 million people, the Dominican Republic has a territory stretching 48,442 square kilometers (18,704 square miles).
- That's just over twice the size of New Jersey, or nearly the size of Costa Rica. Its coveted shores face the Caribbean Sea in the south, and the Atlantic Ocean in the north.



Quisqueya

- *Quisqueya*, as Dominicans affectionately call their home– meaning "mother of all lands"– is a country of superlatives.
- This was the first permanent Spanish settlement in the Americas or the "New World," with the arrival of Christopher Columbus on his first voyage in 1492. Aside from choosing the DR as his sole residence in the region–a land blessed with fertile soil and gold deposits–Columbus and the Spanish Crown used the country as a launching pad for conquests across the Caribbean and United States. Today, the first city of the Americas, Santo Domingo, is the capital of the DR, and continues to thrive while preserving its history and original Spanish architecture.



Did you know !!

- Aside from historic firsts, the Dominican Republic ranks among the most diverse Caribbean countries in geography, nature, and people.
- Its landscape ranges from the highest peak in the region, Pico Duarte, to the lowest body of water, Lago Enriquillo. A whopping 6,000 species of flora and 7,000 species of fauna include cacti flowers, endemic hawks, and humpback whales.
- The country's cultural make up–Taino, European, and African–includes a diverse population welcomed in the DR since the 19th century, from Jewish and Japanese communities to UNESCO-proclaimed Afro-Caribbean groups.



Our passion

- Whether you choose to visit our shores along our more than 1,600 kilometers (nearly 1,000 miles) of coastline, our verdant mountain towns, our fishing villages, or our cactus-lined landscape, you'll uncover a unique side of the DR.
- Along the way, you'll experience a unified passion for our music and dance–merengue, bachata, and son–our diverse gastronomy taking you beyond rice and beans, our love for baseball, family, and hospitality.
- Together, they make up the essence of our Dominican spirit.

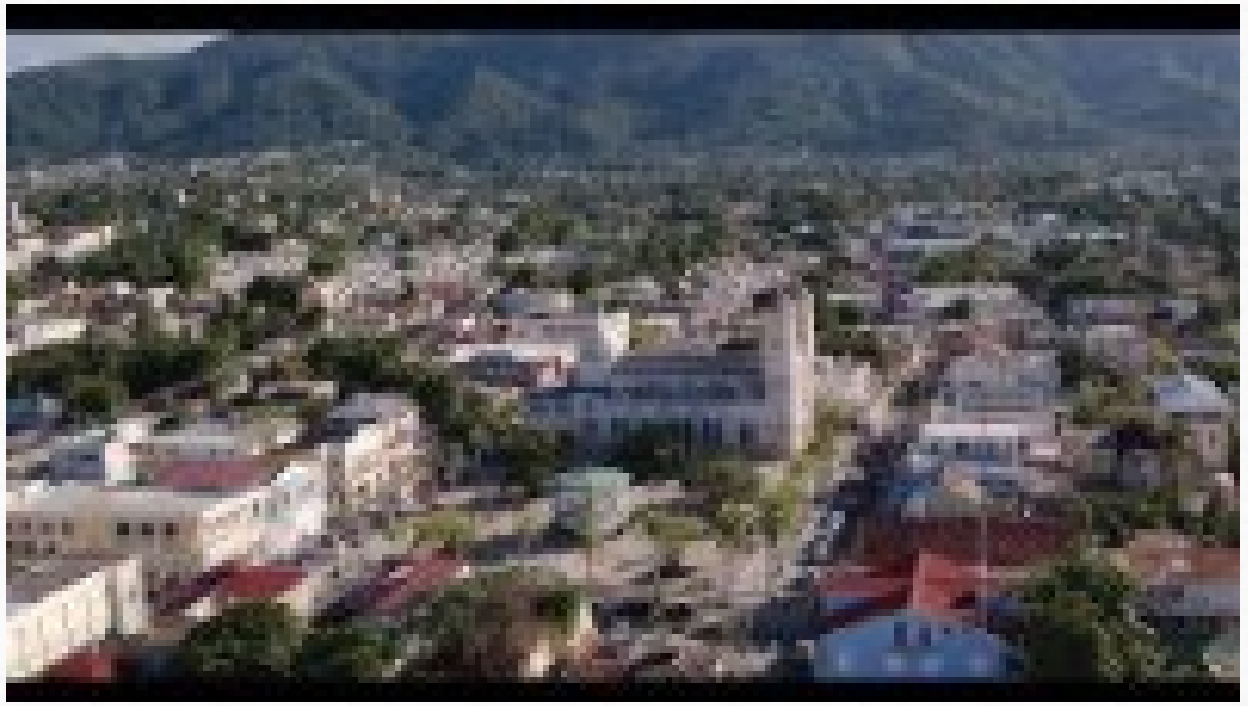


Merengue



- **Merengue típico is a musical genre of the Dominican Republic, and the oldest style of merengue. Merengue típico is the term preferred by most musicians as it is more respectful and emphasizes the music's traditional nature. The Instruments that are used are the accordion, bass guitar, güira, conga, and tambora.**

Dominican Republic- DR



Did you know!



- The middle icon of the flag the word
- Dios translate to God
- Patria translate to Homeland
- Libertad translate to Liberty

What is "La Bandera Dominicana"?

***La bandera*'s namesake is the *tricolor* Dominican flag with its distinctive red, white and blue design framing the national insignia. "La Bandera" food is mainly composed of Dominican rice and beans with chicken, the red represented by the beans, the white by the rice, and – with a splash of poetic and culinary license here – the meat – usually chicken or beef – represents the third color. There's always also some type of salad to go with them.**



ABICHUELA CON DULCE- SWEET BEAN DESERT

This traditional and unique Dominican Lent and Easter dessert is much appreciated and is prepared in large quantities to share with relatives and neighbors. There are many ways to prepare it. The ingredients and the preparation method indicate its diverse origins: indigenous, European, African and Asian. It is best served cold with milk cookies or toasted yuca bread, but it can also be enjoyed hot.



Be prepared to take your time with this recipe. Link with recipe below. ENJOY!

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David Ortiz

- **David Américo Ortiz Arias, nicknamed "Big Papi", is a Dominican-American former professional baseball designated hitter and first baseman who played 20 seasons in Major League Baseball, primarily with the Boston Red Sox. He also played for the Minnesota Twins.**
- **Born: November 18, 1975 (age 45 years), Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic**



Dascha Polanco

- Dascha Yolaine Polanco is a Dominican-American actress. She is known for portraying the role of Dayanara "Daya" Diaz on the Netflix series Orange Is the New Black. Wikipedia
- Born: December 3, 1982 (age 38 years), Dominican Republic





Amelia Vega

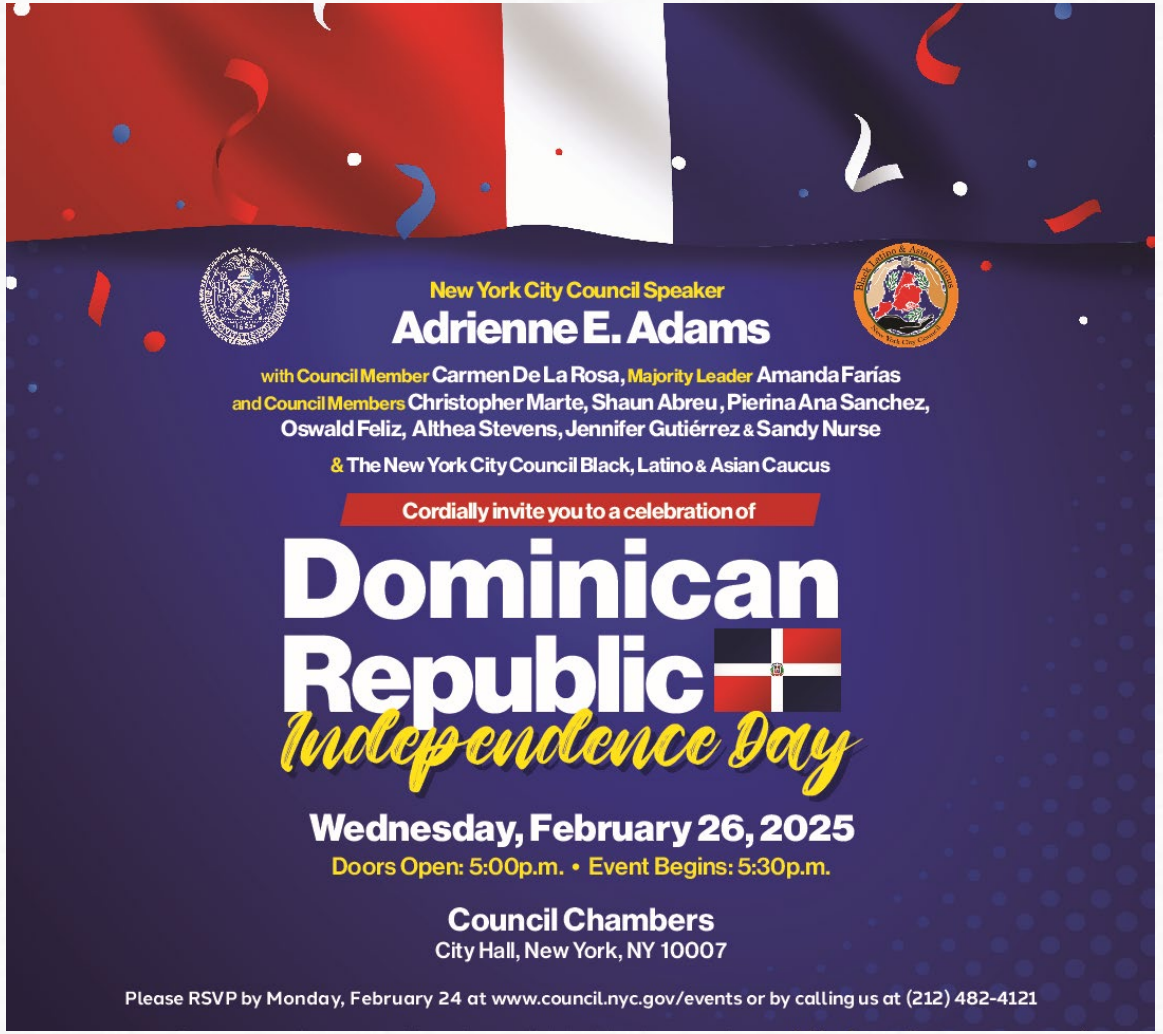


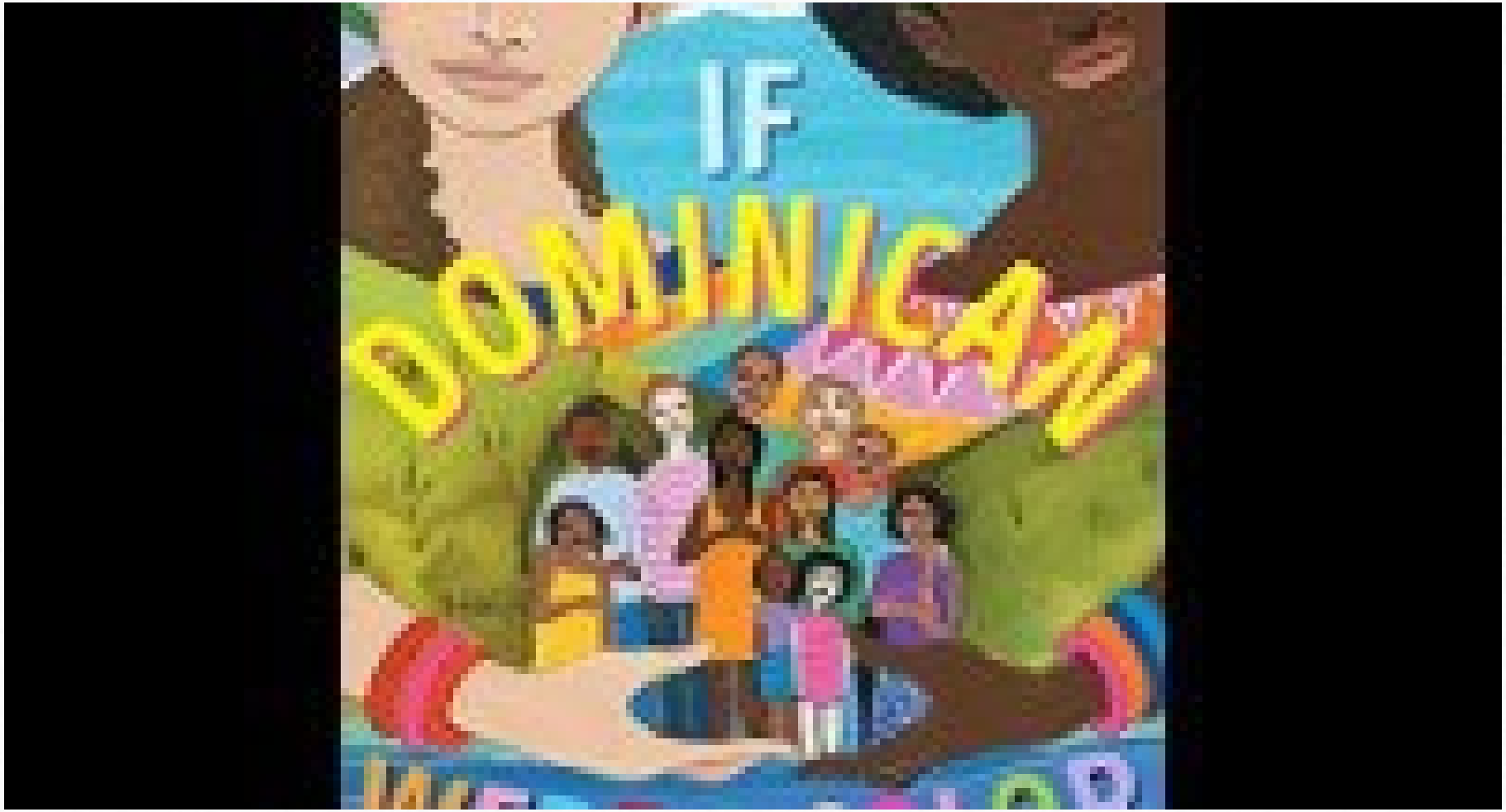


- Amelia Patricia Vega Polanco is a Dominican model, actress, author, singer, and beauty pageant titleholder who was crowned Miss Universe 2003, the first ever Dominican entrant to become Miss Universe. At the age of 18, she was the youngest winner to be crowned Miss Universe since 1994. Wikipedia
- **Born:** November 7, 1984 (age 36 years), Santiago De Los Caballeros, Dominican Republic

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