

Samaná, Samaná Province, Dominican Republic

A lush, coconut-draped peninsula where humpback whales winter in the bay and waterfalls plunge through rainforest. Samaná rewards cruisers who go beyond the pier.

-  Tender (anchors in bay)
-  Typical call: 7-9 hrs
-  USD widely accepted / Dominican Peso
-  Spanish (basic English at tourist spots)
-  Whale watching: Jan–Mar

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date:	Arrive:	All aboard:
Excursion:	Notes:	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender — ships anchor in Samaná Bay; 15-min tender to public pier

Best For: Humpback whale watching, Cayo Levantado beach, El Limón waterfall, Los Haitises caves

Walk to center: Step off tender onto the Malecón — town is immediate

Don't Miss: Cayo Levantado (Bacardi Island) by water taxi; 15-min ride from pier

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  \$3–5 USD

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Humpback Whale Watching** — From mid-January through late March, thousands of North Atlantic humpback whales gather in Samaná Bay to mate and calve.
- Cayo Levantado (Bacardi Island)** — A postcard-perfect island in the middle of the bay with powdery white sand and turquoise water.
- El Limón Waterfall** — A 130-foot cascade hidden in dense tropical rainforest.
- Los Haitises National Park** — Accessible only by boat, this protected park features dramatic limestone karst formations rising from the water, dense...
- Playa Rincón** — Consistently ranked among the world's top beaches — a vast, wild crescent of white sand backed by coconut palms, with a...

BEST WALKS

- Malecón to the Bridge to Nowhere** 2 km round-trip · Flat · 30-40 min — Head along the waterfront Malecón from the tender pier past Pueblo Príncipe shopping and La Churcha church to the Puente de Samaná — a...
- Town Center & Market Stroll** 1 km · Flat · 20 min — From the pier, walk the Malecón past waterfront restaurants and vendors.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

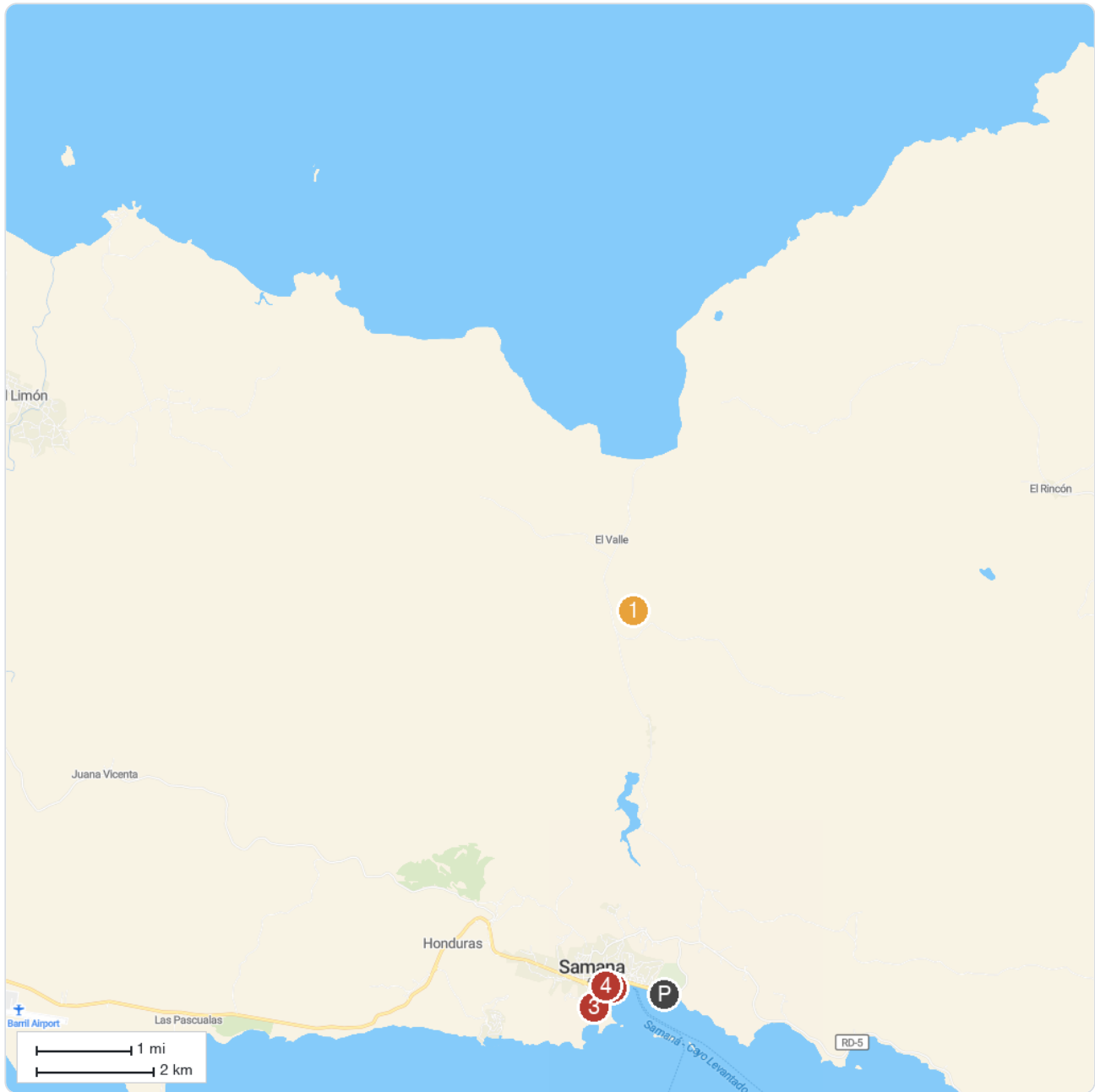
 CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				 DAYLIGHT &  MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:19AM–6:54PM · Jun 5:59AM–7:16PM · Aug 6:18AM–7:04PM · Sep 6:25AM–6:39PM · Oct 6:31AM–6:13PM	
Apr	83°	73°	16d	 USD widely accepted / Dominican Peso	
Jun	86°	77°	16d		
Aug	86°	78°	22d		
Sep	86°	77°	22d		
Oct	86°	76°	21d		

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- USD accepted everywhere. US dollars are widely accepted in tourist areas. Keep small bills (\$1, \$5, \$10) handy — change will be given in Dominican Pesos. ATMs are available in...

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



1 Cascada Lulu - Waterfall Cascada Lulu is a beautiful, accessible waterfall for swimming and photos.

3 Whale Museum of Samana / Nature Center Learn about humpback whales and Samaná's marine ecosystem.

P Cruise port / terminal

2 Samaná Boardwalk Stroll Samaná's scenic waterfront boardwalk with shops and restaurants.

4 Las Casitas de Colores See charming, brightly painted houses, perfect for unique photos.