



Instituto Intercultural del Caribe

Spanish & Surfing

Always a wave ahead



The surfing spot Cabarete

... is known as one of the best surfing areas in the world. While windsurfing beginners and experts find excellent conditions in the long stretched Cabarete Bay, kite surfers get their money worth riding the waves at Kite Beach which is only 200 meters away.

At night, surfers, Dominicans and tourists mingle in one of the numerous bars and enjoy partying together while romantics stroll along the beach watching the sunset. Cabarete is perfect for everyone.

“Spanish & Surfing”

... combines Spanish classes with wind-surfing or kite surfing lessons. The Spanish lessons are held at the Instituto Intercultural del Caribe (IIC) in Sosua; surfing classes take place in the near-by surfer's paradise, Cabarete.

The program has a modular structure: Every Spanish and surfing course can be mixed with any accommodation category. So everyone can create his or her individual package of “Spanish & Surfing”.

The Instituto Intercultural del Caribe

... was founded in 1994 as the Spanish Department of the German-Dominican Language and Culture Institute EDASE. With a school in Santo Domingo and one in Sosua, it has become one of the major institutions in the Dominican Republic offering Spanish as a foreign language.

Our school in Sosua is located in the old and more serene part of the town, called El Batey. The school building, sheltered by impressive old trees and lush vegetation, offers the **ideal ambiance for concentrated learning** in a tropical surrounding.



The institute is within a stone's throw of the city center and 5 minutes walk away from the main beach. The ambiance is so tranquil that classes often take place on one of the four shadowed and airy terraces.

Besides classes, the IIC student care also organizes regularly **excursions and outdoor activities** for our students.

The surf center

... has its school directly in Cabarete. With more than 16 years of experience it belongs to the first and most renowned surfing centers in the country.

Classes and briefings are multilingual. Individual care, the surfer's safety, and fun are the top priority. That is why group sizes are only up to a maximum of 3 participants per instructor for the kite surfing as well as for the windsurfing courses.

Groups of less than 3 students will receive reduced lessons. This regulation is valid for all courses except the surf pool.

With regard to wind and weather conditions surfing is usually possible all week long, Monday through Sunday. It takes about 15 minutes to get from Sosua to Cabarete by public transport and costs only a few Pesos.

The Program

Spanish

Classes consist of 20 45-minute-lessons per week (4 les/day). Students can choose between **group courses or private lessons**. Classes are usually 5 days a week, Monday till Friday, from 9am till 12:30 pm.

The **course concept** combines grammar with conversation. We teach the grammatical basis of the language, the Castellano; the linguistic differences between the Spanish spoken in Latin-America are pointed out during the course. We furthermore focus greatly on providing students with the opportunity to practice speaking. For this reason, group courses are limited to a maximum of 7 students.

Windsurfing (W)

Type W-1: This group course for windsurfing beginners provides you with all theoretical and practical knowledge needed to start with windsurfing. It meets 3 times 3 hours per time. The equipment during the course will be provided.

Type W-2: The advanced course is for those who want to fresh up their "rusty" windsurfing skills, who want to learn new things or for those who just want to get used to the unknown surf area. The equipment during this course will be provided, too.

Type W-3: Test the best 14 days long! The **surf pool** is for pros who just want to practice on excellent material without taking further classes.

Kite Surfing (K)

Type K-1: The group course for kite surfing beginners provides you with all theoretical and practical knowledge for secure kite surfing with fun. It meets 5 times 3 hours per time. The equipment during the course will be provided.

Type K-2 and K-3: The two packages are for those who already tried kite surfing and who would like to grow their skills. You can choose between a package of 9 or 15 kite lessons. The equipment during the course will be provided.

Dates & Facts:

1. Course Places: **Sosua and Cabarete**
 You should fly to Puerto Plata International Airport (POP).



2. Course Start: **Group Course Spanish Beginners 2010:**
 04.01. and 18.01. 10.05. and 24.05. 13.09. and 27.09.
 01.02. and 15.02. 07.06. and 21.06. 11.10. and 25.10.
 01.,15. and 29.03. 05.07. and 19.07. 08.11. and 22.11.
 12.04. and 26.04. 02.,16. and 30.08. 06.12. and 20.12.

Higher Spanish levels and Private Lessons: every Monday *
** If Monday is a holiday, courses start on Tuesday.*

3. Course Length: optional – 1 week and up

4. Course Type: **Spanish** Group Course or Private Lessons
Surfing Group Course

5. Turn out: no minimum number of participants required

6. Group Size: **Spanish** Mini groups with 2-7 participants
Surfing
Windsurfing max. 3 persons per Instructor
Kite Surfing max. 3 persons per Instructor



7. Levels: **Spanish** A. Beginner B. Beginner with Knowledge
 C. Intermediate D. Advanced

Surfing
Windsurfing A. Beginner B. Advanced
Kite Surfing A. Beginner B. Advanced

8. Performances: **Spanish**
 20 lessons (45 min/les) per week (private or in group), study material, registration fee, placement test, certificate of participation

Surfing
Windsurfing (W)
 Type **W-1:** 3 x 3 hours Beginner Group Course incl. equipment
 Type **W-2:** 3 x 3 hours Advanced Group Course incl. equipment
 Type **W-3:** 14 days Surf pool for advanced surfers (no course)



Kite Surfing (K)
 Type **K-1:** 5 x 3 hours Beginner Group Course incl. equipment
 Type **K-2:** 3 x 3 hours Advanced Group Course incl. equipment
 Type **K-3:** 5 x 3 hours Advanced Group Course incl. equipment

9. Public Holidays: Please note that no lessons will take place on the following public holidays (missed lessons will not be re-scheduled):

1 January	New Year's Day	1 May	Labor Day
21 January	Dia de la Altagracia	24 September	Dia de la Mercedes
27 February	Independence Day	25 December	Christmas Day
2 April	Good Friday		

10. Accommodation possibilities

in Sosua

School Studio: Single room, breakfast (except on Sundays and holidays), private bathroom, refrigerator, fan and Cable-TV. Situated in the school building.

School Apartment: Single room, breakfast (except on Sundays and holidays), fan, Cable-TV, shared bathroom, fully equipped kitchen. Situated on campus.

Mid-range Hotel: Single room, breakfast, private bathroom, refrigerator, air conditioning, Cable-TV; swimming pool, breakfast terrace with ocean view. Situated directly at the beach; 10 min walking to school.

in Cabarete

2-star Hotel Studio: Individual bungalows with breakfast; private bathroom, refrigerator, fan; air conditioning, safe at extra cost; garden with swimming pool; 5 min walking to the ocean.

2-star Hotel Apartment: Single occupancy in studio, self-catering; private bathroom, refrigerator, kitchenette, Cable-TV; terrace or balcony; air conditioning, safe at extra cost; garden with swimming pool; 5 min walking to the ocean.

11. Prices (in US Dollars)

Spanish *	1 week	2 weeks	Addit. Week	
Group Course Standard (20 les/wk)	230.-	420.-	190.-	
Private Lessons Standard (20 les/wk)	350.-	640.-	295.-	
Accommodation in Sosua ** + ***	1 week	2 weeks	Addit. Week	Extra night
School Studio (single/breakfast)	195.-	360.-	185.-	30.-
School Apartment (single/breakfast)	195.-	360.-	185.-	30.-
Mid-range Hotel (single/breakfast)	450.-	950.-	510.-	75.-
Accommodation in Cabarete ** + ***	1 week	2 weeks	Addit. Week	Extra night
2-star Hotel: Studio (single/breakfast)	230.-	470.-	240.-	35.-
2-star Hotel: Apartm.(single/self-catering)	280.-	580.-	310.-	45.-

* One lesson is 45 minutes. Course prices include: registration fee, study material, placement test, certificate of participation. Also incl.: refreshment during morning break, city orientation tour, student care.

** Accommodation in double occupancy per person: regular list price less 25%. Accommodation prices include: transfer on arrival from nearest airport to accommodation.

*** From 15 December 2010 until 5 January 2011 there is a 20% surcharge on all hotel accommodation, not on accommodation in IIC School Studio/Apartment.

Windsurfing	Beginner	Advanced
W-1: 3 x 3 h course incl. equipment		150.-
W-2: 3 x 3 h course incl. equipment		./. 190.-
W-3: Surf pool for 14 days (no course)		./. 390.-
Kite Surfing	Beginner	Advanced
K-1: 5 x 3 h course incl. equipment		395.-
K-2: 3 x 3 h course incl. equipment		./. 275.-
K-3: 5 x 3 h course incl. equipment		./. 460.-

Contact details

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