

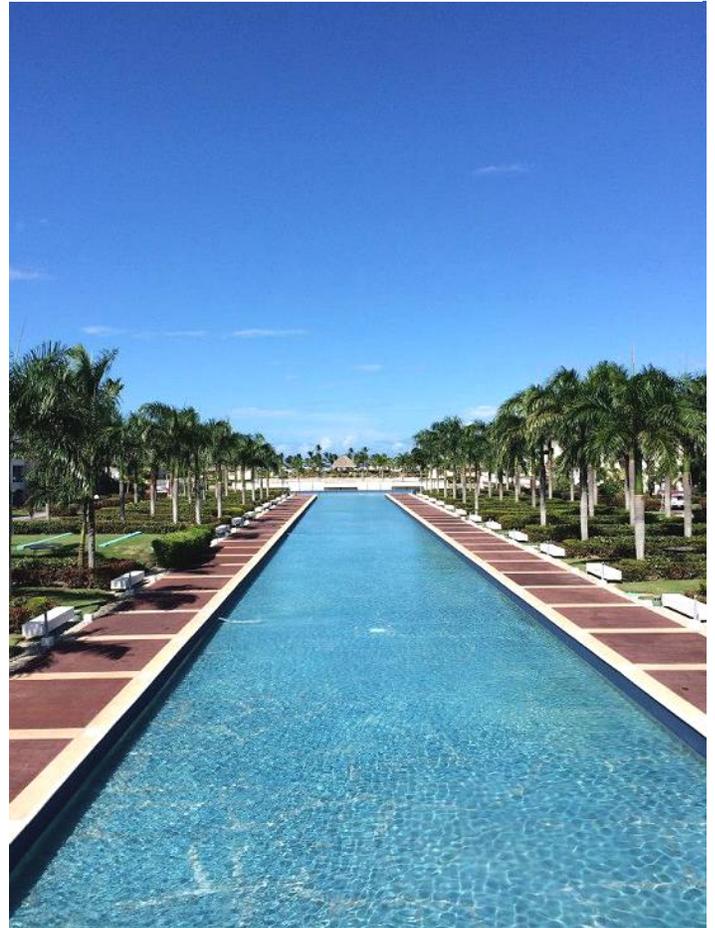
Hard Rock, Punta Cana - Dominican Republic

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Madonna's limo sits in the lobby, as does Elton John's piano.

You're at the Hard Rock, and you'll know it. Memorabilia is everywhere, as are lyrics. My favorite is the one posted over the ATM machine: "Take the money and run."

The all-inclusive Punta Cana Resort is huge - 1,784 rooms, 19 bars, and 13 pools, three of which are for kids and one for adults only. Stroll the main lobby, and it's like waking through an indoor shopping mall. There's something everywhere to capture your attention - eateries, lounges, rock paraphernalia, and stores where you can spend the up-to-\$1800 per room resort credit you'll receive upon check-in. This money can be used at the spa or for tours, too, but guests pay 20 percent tax on all purchases.



"Amplify your experience" is the mantra of this resort. Lounges are lively, and the vibe is high energy. In case that's not enough, there's the independently-run Oro Night Club on the premises, and also the largest casino in the Dominican Republic. The Body Rock gym is topnotch. For winding down, there a Jack Nicklaus Signature golf course and, the beautiful beach.

Entry level rooms, called Caribbean Suites, are very spacious. Actual suites are larger than some New York apartments. All rooms come with a whirlpool tub and a stocked bar.

I stayed at this resort when I trained to become a Hard Rock WOW Wedding specialist, and you'll find me listed as such on the wedding website. If you want to get married here, or at any of the Hard Rock Resorts in Mexico, I am the person to call, and I have a letter of endorsement from wedding Guru Colin Cowie himself, whose collections are exclusive to Hard Rock.

For more information or to book a trip, [contact](#) "Commodore" Camille today.

This article was accurate when it was written, but everything in life changes. Enjoy the journey!