



## **LEISURE, SPORTS AND SERVICES**

The Punta Perla Caribbean Golf, Marina and Spa resort will offer a wide and impressive range of sporting, recreational, and leisure activities and facilities in addition to numerous top rate services for residents and tourist visitors alike.

### **Sports and Recreation**

**Marina** – Made especially for sailing and boating aficionados, the impressive marina area will include an exclusive zone for residents and their water vessels and another area for those stopping in Punta Perla during their Caribbean sailing journeys. Occupying a total area of 29 hectares (69 acres) – with a total water surface area of 12 hectares (30 acres) – the marina will be almost as big as Spain’s remarkable Puerto Banus, west of Marbella. It will have berths for around 400 craft of all sizes, including deep water moorings for larger yachts. Marina facilities will include an immigration and customs area, refuelling zone, and a dry dock with repair and maintenance workshops. A chandlery and duty free shopping area are being planned for the marina.

**Three Signature Golf Courses** – Set in the heart of the resort and surrounded by lush green landscape and attractive residential communities, these courses will be built to be listed among the Caribbean’s leading sites for golf enthusiasts from around the world. Each will have its own clubhouse and a golf academy will be available for those wishing to improve their game.

The first course will be designed by the prestigious European Golf Design in association with Colin Montgomerie, Europe’s leading golfer of the last decade and perennial Ryder Cup player. Speaking on his participation in the project, Mr. Montgomerie has stated, “I am thrilled to be so closely involved in the design of the first golf course at Punta Perla. I select the locations for golf courses which carry my name very carefully indeed, but Punta Perla was an easy choice. This is a stunningly beautiful corner of the Caribbean. The world-class golf course we are planning will be magnificent – not only for players; it will also provide a wonderful green outlook for the people who buy the homes which overlook it.” The first course is scheduled for completion in 2008.

Purchasers of properties at Punta Perla will be entitled to become members of the resort’s golf club. The membership fee of US\$10,000 and annual subscription (currently US\$1,500) include golf and sports club services. The membership is transferable with the property if it is sold at a later date.

**Polo club** – Two polo fields and a practice area. Plans include direct consultation with the Dominican Republic’s Federation of Polo, which will help the resort establish its own team to compete internationally. The polo club is expected to be operational during the summer of 2008.

**La Playa de Perla Beach Club and Spa** – This exclusive club will feature luxury short-term accommodations and space for important social events for its members and VIP visitors to the resort. A gorgeous swimming pool, a spa, a bar and restaurant, and spectacular views of the sea will help make this club one of the most luxurious of its type in the Caribbean. Located right next to the Beach Club, a boutique hotel consisting of 16 beautifully designed palapas will help make this part of the Punta Perla beachfront extremely attractive for international visitors.

**Dolphinarium** – Paraiso Tropical has consulted closely with the Swiss international dolphin conservation specialist, Rene Duss, to help plan a proposed natural dolphinarium in the sea, 600 meters from the beach in front of the hotels. Mr. Duss, who draws on more than 40 years of experience working with dolphins, has pioneered therapies and educational projects so that children and adults who are disabled or have learning difficulties can benefit from interacting with them. Given the uniqueness of this type of facility, access to the dolphinarium would be limited based on criteria established by the resort developer in association with the dolphin specialists.

**Casino** – A high class gaming space for interested visitors, the casino area will also feature top notch hotel accommodations.

**Tennis Club** – Complete facilities and services for serious tennis players and those that want to improve their game.

**Equestrian Center** – This area will include stables and facilities for grooming and jumping, as well as a trail for riders.

**Wilderness Trail** – For outdoor trekking and outdoor enthusiasts or those that simple want to take in the region’s natural offerings in all their splendor.

**Water Sports** – Options range from windsurfing to snorkeling and scuba diving, and include surfing, sailing, parasailing, and big game fishing.

**Water Park** – A family-oriented area with yet another way to cool off in the sunny and warm climate of the Dominican Republic.

**Other Nearby Leisure Activities** – Beyond the resort, numerous other sporting and leisure pursuits are available on the island, including rock climbing, kayaking, cross-country cycling and mule-trekking. Biking and helicopter tours of the coastal area are among excursions on offer locally.

### Leisure

**Marina** – This area will feature a large part of the exclusive leisure options, including:

- **Luxurious commercial center** – top international brand stores and boutiques will headline this impressively designed area.
- **Restaurants** – a wide variety of establishment ranging from family-oriented eateries with more traditional fare to high gourmet restaurants featuring the finest in international cuisine.
- **Bars and night clubs** – a lively and eclectic list of nocturnal entertainment offerings, ranging from traditional pubs to chic centers for those seeking a more glamorous and adventuresome escape.
- **Cinemas** – An attractive entertainment option for those looking for an escape from the natural outdoor setting.
- **Tax-free shopping area** –Plans for the resort comprise an exclusive duty free shopping zone featuring top luxury brands at great international prices.

**Shopping Center** – Located at the far end of the resort near the main entrance, this complex will include additional commercial services such as a supermarket, small shopping stores, and a gasoline station.

### Services

**Hotel Accommodation** – Four 5-star hotels located along the coast of the resort area will provide up to 2000 rooms. Designed to be no more than two stories in height and to mesh with the surrounding environment, these hotels will certainly delight and pamper its exclusive visitors. Guests will have optional access to some of the main resort’s sports and recreational offerings, including golf and spa.

**Rental Pool** – For certain investors seeking attractive returns on their property purchases, a rental pool service will be offered and administered in Punta Perla. The administrative office will be located near the main entrance of the resort property.

**Medical Center** – Punta Perla will rely on a small hospital capable of addressing the principal health needs – from accidents or illness occurring while in the Dominican Republic to many previous on-going ailments – of the resident and visiting populations. Operated through an experienced international medical services company, the hospital will rely on medical staff that will be familiar with additional medical services and centers in the Dominican Republic so as to recommend supplemental coverage and care when needed. For emergency cases, an adjacent heliport will serve to transport patients to a national hospital or the international airport for rapid evacuation.

Health insurance and coverage plans will be available for those residents or visitors that spend extended periods of time in Punta Perla and would like to be covered for emergency assistance and/or periodic medical check ups.

**Business Center** – For those that need to keep abreast of their business affairs or that need to keep productive during their days away from the office, this center will provide the necessary working conditions and services for all: computer work stations and full connectivity including wireless access for laptop users; conference rooms with teleconferencing and video projection options; and standard fax, scanning, and photocopying services.

**Transportation Services** – A variety of transportation options will be available, many with an environmentally friendly focus:

- **Car Rental** – Punta Perla will accommodate car rental services provided via established international companies.
- **Golf Carts** – Punta Perla will supply property owners with these pollution-free golf buggies. Special paths and specific lanes in main roads will facilitate their quick movement between key points in the resort. Short-term rentals of golf carts will also be available.
- **Vaporetto Ferry Service** – these small and quiet Venician-style water craft will provide transportation options around the marina area with stops at key locations every five minutes.
- **Water Taxis** – Current plans include a taxi service through water channels running alongside the main road of the resort and providing a connection between golf residential zone, on the one hand, and the beach club and marina, on the other.
- **Bicycles** – A rental service will be available for those interested. Bicycle use will be encouraged through special paths – both on road and off – make for riders throughout the resort.

**Places of Worship** – Tentative plans have been made to include chapels or worship centers that accommodate the religious needs of the visiting population.

**Worker Residences** – Set in the far end of the resort near the main highway, a large community of living quarters for local employees of Punta Perla will be set up with all the necessary installations and conveniences so as to provide an ideal living situation for those that work so hard to make Punta Perla the exclusive vacation space that it strives to be.

**Heliports** – Punta Perla will include two heliports, one reserved primarily for medical-related use and another for the development company, VIP guests, and special, pre-approved flights.

### **Other Points of Interest**

**The Horse of Helios** – Punta Perla will have the honor of being able to include the only replica of The Horse of Helios, an imposing and famous equestrian statue which stands close to London's Piccadilly Circus in London. Using the original moulds, sculptor Rudy Weller will make a second bronze casting in the Dominican Republic. A symbol of power, strength and energy, it will stand on the resort's main avenue, Santa Fe, close to the entrance to the marina.

**Punta Perla Foundation** – The developer of Punta Perla, Paraiso Tropical, S.A. will create a special charitable foundation with the mission to give back to the local community of the region. While no doubt Punta Perla will provide a meaningful and lasting boost to the local economy, Paraiso Tropical wishes to ensure that its positive contributions reach as many people as possible, including otherwise marginalized groups such as children living in conditions of poverty or suffering from chronic illnesses.