

## **Altos de Chavon Village**

In the midst of the world class sports, international dining and luxurious lifestyle in the Caribbean only found at Casa de Campo, is an unsuspected surprise.... an *architectural wonder* and a cultural mecca within the “Caribbean’s Most Complete Resort!”

High on the cliffs above the winding Chavon River is the famed **Altos de Chavon** village. Commissioned to invoke the feeling of a 16th-century Mediterranean village, Altos de Chavon is a village dedicated to the arts and is a center of culture for the Dominican Republic.

Authentic cobblestone streets, stone carvings, cool fountains, shady pathways and Spanish architecture give the feeling that this village is centuries old. *Surprise...Altos de Chavon was in deed* constructed by local artisans by hand, using stone, wood and iron, under the direction of famed Italian cinematographer Roberto Copa *in the 1970’s..* Its development continued throughout the late 1970’s and into the early 1980’s with completion of Genesis Discotheque on Dec. 31, 1980 ... just in time for a spectacular New Year’s Eve celebration. Work was complete on the village on August 20, 1982 as the final stones were laid at the 5,000 seat amphitheater for a gala inaugural celebration that evening featuring by Frank Sinatra!

At the heart of the village is the **Church of St. Stanislaus**, completed in 1979. Nearby, the Regional Museum of Archeology houses a comprehensive collection of pre-Columbian artifacts, and an art gallery showcases the works of Dominican, European and American artists. In keeping with Altos de Chavon’s commitment to cultural exchange with enrichment, Altos de Chavon/The School of Design, in affiliated itself with New York’s prestigious Parsons School of Design- in 1983 and offers' degrees in various design fields and the fine arts. An Artists-In-Residence program sponsors three annual showings of work produced at Altos during the artists’ residency

The spectacular 5,000 seat open-air amphitheater is home to the **Performing Arts Department of Chavon and the new KANDELA show**. The complex has hosted such international superstars as Julio Iglesias and Gloria Estefan as well as serving as a spectacular setting for private parties, recitals and private shows.

A tour through the winding streets brings guests to local craft shops, selling hand-made jewelry and pottery of such superb quality is has been cited for design excellence throughout the international art world. International designer Emlio Robba joined forces with Casa de Campo in late 2008 as the director of an art studio, working with local talent to create unique new collections and works of art. Guests to the village can stop by the **Ateliers by Emlio Robba** and watch the artisans at work as they create beautiful works of art. The nearby Gallery/Boutique will showcase these works to admire and for purchase.

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**Dining.** A variety of dining can be found throughout Altos de Chavon. Sophisticated palates enjoy the fine Northern Italian cuisine found at the La Piazzetta restaurant (featured on resort's inclusive dining supplement). Additional dining options not on the inclusive supplement at Altos de Chavon include Onno's Tapas Bar for breakfast, lunch or dinner; Sangria Tapas Bar for evening dining; Giacosa Restaurant for Italian specialties; the Melissa Bakery for sweet treats and international coffees and cappuccinos throughout the day and into the night and Papa Jack's Bar & Café!

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