



# AMANERA

Celebrations & Events

## Host the perfect event

Life's milestones are the moments we celebrate, the occasions we never forget. Individual and intimate, with limited room numbers and intuitive, personalised service, Aman resorts and hotels can be booked exclusively for family and friends, providing the ideal private settings for celebrations from weddings and anniversaries to special birthdays. Each Aman tells a story, interwoven with the culture it's immersed within and the convivial spirit of its venues. We invite you to create an unforgettable story of your own when hosting your next event at Amanera in the Dominican Republic, with an exclusive buyout of the resort for you and yours alone.







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## Welcome to Amanera

Overlooking legendary Playa Grande Beach from its cliff-top setting on the north coast, Amanera is surrounded by verdant jungle and backed by the island's dramatic Cordillera Septentrional mountain range. The 25-Casita resort offers a private Beach Club, Aman Wellness Casa and a plethora of venues both indoors and out for hosting one-of-a-kind ceremonies, receptions and other celebrations. Claiming breath-taking ocean views alongside the lauded fairways of the private Playa Grande Golf & Ocean Club, the property aptly draws its name from the Sanskrit-derived word for 'peace' and *era*, the word for 'water' in Taíno.







## Venues

Ideal for multi-day celebrations with personalised activities in between, Amanera offers a host of venues with both indoor and alfresco settings. Exclusive use of the resort promises your own private coastal paradise, with every detail of every event's evolution and meticulous execution our priority. Whether a pre-wedding beach barbecue, a sunset ceremony or a glamorous poolside reception beneath the stars, we ensure your vision becomes seamless reality, while you simply enjoy every minute. Specialising in Central and Latin American cuisines, as well as Mediterranean, using only the freshest, locally sourced ingredients, Amanera's expert chefs personally curate menus for private events.









## The Lawn at Hole 14

300 guests standing  
200 guests seated (ceremony)  
200 guests seated (reception)

Originally designed by golf legend Robert Trent Jones Sr., the Playa Grande Golf & Ocean Club course was recently refreshed by his son, Rees Jones, and still boasts the most oceanfront holes of any 18-hole course in the western hemisphere. The 14th might well be its most spectacular, with a rolling emerald green fairway ending in a verdant cliff-top lawn. A special natural setting in which to say one's vows, this beautiful site overlooking the sea can witness large open-air ceremonies, parties and receptions, as well as smaller gatherings.





## Main Restaurant

120 guests standing (indoors and pool terrace)

80 guests seated (pool terrace)

40 guests seated (indoors)

Offering sweeping views at every turn, the resort's striking main pavilion is an architectural masterpiece that seemingly floats above a three-tiered cascading water feature. As well as a lofty open-air Lounge Bar, an intimate Cigar Lounge and a Library, it houses Amanera's signature restaurant with its expansive indoor and outdoor dining areas and uninterrupted views of the mile-long, golden stretch of Playa Grande Beach.

Floor-to-ceiling glass windows ensure expansive views from indoors, while beyond the restaurant and its terrace lies the curved swimming pool fringed with daybeds. This is an exceptional setting for a ceremony or reception, with possibly the most photogenic backdrop in all the Caribbean.



## Lounge Bar

60 guests standing  
20 guests seated

A lofty setting for a memorable champagne toast, a private dinner or a cosy pre- or post-celebration drink, the Lounge Bar offers spectacular views of Playa Grande Beach and the ocean from the second floor of Amanera's main pavilion.



## Beach Club

150 guests standing (restaurant and beach)  
70 guests seated (beach)  
30 guests seated (restaurant)

Framed by coconut palms and lush foliage, Amanera's Beach Club is set on the golden sands of Playa Grande Beach with expansive decks and lounging areas providing mesmerising views of the sparkling ocean. Offering elegant feet-in-the-sand dining and an authentic pizza oven, the Beach Club is the ideal venue for champagne breakfasts, long lazy lunches and festive beach barbecues with bonfires and torches adding to the romance. With space and atmosphere to spare, this venue is the perfect spot for a large reception or beach party, perhaps after a sunset ceremony by the water's edge.





## Bay View Casa

40 guests standing (outdoors)

20 guests seated (indoors)

30 guests seated (outdoors)

This magnificent two-bedroom villa is perched in its own private garden on the very edge of the cliffs, claiming completely unobstructed views of Playa Grande Beach and the ocean from its expansive living areas, outdoor terrace and private infinity swimming pool. The ideal venue for an intimate ceremony or reception, it also makes a stunning setting for a sunset cocktail party or a rehearsal dinner prior to the big day.

Dinner Venue	Cocktail Party	Seated Dinner	Privatisation Fee
Restaurant	120	40 indoor / 80 outdoor	\$8,500
Beach Club and Beach*	150	100	\$10,000
The Lawn at Hole 14	300	200	\$2,500
2 Bedroom Villa	40	20 indoor / 30 outdoor	Upon Request

### Small Celebrations

Venue	Seated Dinner	Privatisation Fee	Additional guests
Library	2	\$650	\$200
Beach Dinner	2 - 14	\$750	\$200
Pool Side	2 - 6	\$750	\$200
Casita	2 - 4	\$750	\$200

\*For evening buyouts: 1-20 pax USD 1,800 plus USD 200 per person for each additional guest.

Privatisation fee for small celebrations includes a set menu. Soft drinks and alcohol will be charged according to consumption. These fees are subject to a 10% service charge and 18% government taxes.





## Exclusive Use of Amanera

Designed by renowned architects with intimate spaces, a limited number of rooms and intuitive, personalised service, Aman properties make ideal settings for special celebrations dedicated exclusively to just one group of guests. At Amanera, the minimum number of guests to make a buyout of the resort possible is 52 (double occupancy) or 65 (triple occupancy).

## Ceremonies

Amanera's spectacular natural surroundings and unique architecture means that almost every turn reveals yet another setting suitable for exchanging or renewing your vows. Ceremonies can be held on the beach at sunset, on a clifftop overlooking the ocean, alongside the main swimming pool or in the privacy of the Bay View Casa, to name just a few of the possibilities.









## Say 'I do'

For wedding celebrations, Amanera can arrange a Marriage Officiate prior to your arrival. Arrangements for a legally binding marriage require six months' notice, however a symbolic ceremony can be organised in significantly less time.

On arrival at Amanera, the bride and groom will be welcomed with a bottle of champagne and a selection of canapés. On their big day, they will be presented with a wedding bouquet and a boutonniere. A private dinner on the beach for two and a romantic turndown service with champagne are also included

A special touch for those who have tied the knot at Amanera is an invitation to return to celebrate your first wedding anniversary. Two complimentary nights are offered as part of a five-night stay along with a romantic private beach dinner for two to mark this special milestone.

### Marriage License and Legal Requirements

To officially say 'I do' at Amanera, the couple must present apostilled documents including birth certificates and notarised sworn declarations of each individual's single status. All documents need to be translated into Spanish. Amanera can assist with all legal requirements, but please note that the paperwork must be completed a minimum of 6 months prior to your Amanera ceremony.

### Religious Ceremonies

To hold a religious ceremony in a church, mosque or synagogue in the Dominican Republic, the couple will generally need to be part of a practicing congregation at home and have a letter of introduction from their religious leader.



## Private Dining

Exceptional culinary journeys that satisfy, surprise and delight are an intrinsic part of the Amanera experience. The range of private dining experiences on offer is constantly evolving thanks to the visionary excellence of Amanera's talented chefs. Specially tailored meals can be arranged in the privacy of guest Casitas, in a variety of indoor venues or in a plethora of alfresco settings surrounded by nature.



## Beach

With your feet in the sand and only the stars above, dine at a table set just for you and yours on the water's edge, with a personal waiter seeing to your every need. Afterwards relax beside a bonfire, as late as you desire.



## Library

The ultimate setting for a tranquil romantic evening, the Library offers serene views over Playa Grande Beach and the restful company of books. As the moon rises above the sea, savour a multi-course menu personalised to your preferences.





## Private Casita BBQ

As the sun begins its descent towards the sea and smoke from the grill curls lazily skyward, settle into your Casita's alfresco lounging area with delicious canapés and refreshments. Your own private chef will prepare a bespoke barbecue menu for you and yours alone, including your choice of rib-eye, T-bone or wagyu steaks, fresh lobster or catch of the day and a range of delicious starters and sides. Dessert beneath the stars is the finishing touch.

## Accommodation

When making Amanera your own for an unforgettable period of time, you and your guests will enjoy the utmost privacy in consummate comfort, in one of the world's most spectacular natural settings. Perched atop 60-foot cliffs at the western end of Playa Grande Beach, Amanera offers unrivalled dining, spa and recreational facilities and 25 free-standing Casitas. Each of the 24 one-bedroomed Casitas enjoys unobstructed sea views from an expansive terrace, while the two-bedroomed Bay View Casa enjoys the finest setting on the property, with panoramic views of the ocean and Playa Grande Beach and a 20-metre infinity pool. Every Casita is accessed via a winding pathway through a private garden and 14 of the one-bedroom Casitas feature their own 10-metre swimming pools.















## Adventure & Wellness

Outdoor enthusiasts are spoilt for choice at Amanera, with options ranging from surfing and whale watching, to horse riding, nature walks and kayaking through Laguna Gri Gri's mangroves and sea caves. After a day in the sun, relax in Amanera's Wellness Casa, a tranquil sanctuary offering three serene treatment rooms.













## Relaxation at the Wellness Casa

Amanera's signature spa journeys provide healing treatments inspired by the moon cycles and designed to rebalance using lunar energy, holistic hands-on techniques and Mother Nature's ingredients. Local shamanic wisdom has inspired the use of various plants that reflect the healing traditions of the island's indigenous Taíno Indians. All signature journeys begin with a purifying foot ritual, a holistic consultation to personalise the treatments and a Palo Santo smudging ceremony. They conclude with a Larimar chakra balancing meditation.

### **New Moon – The Beginning**

120/150 minutes

The new moon is a great time to build focus and regain clarity, to plant the roots of your wishes and intentions and to forgive and let go to renew your inner power.

### **Full Moon – Enlightenment (Four Hand Signature)**

90/120 minutes

The full moon is a time of enlightenment when heightened psychic awareness allows for the healing of emotional blocks and attunement to one's own divinity. Whatever is going on in the body, mind and spirit will be amplified.

### **Waning Moon – Purification**

120/150 minutes

The waning moon is the time for introspection and the releasing of emotional imbalances and blockages that may be obstacles in your evolutionary journey. In sync with these natural lunar rhythms, the body's detoxification processes are encouraged to leave you feeling cleansed and purified.



## Massages & Beauty Treatments

The complete Wellness Casa menu offers a range of holistic massages, body treatments, organic facials, prenatal treatments and beauty services, and adopts a holistic approach to wellbeing through relaxation and movement.

### Holistic Facial

60/90 minutes

Experience a holistic facial that includes a deep cleanse, exfoliation, facial massage and mask. A soothing massage of your neck, shoulders and scalp is performed while the natural anti-ageing ingredients of the skincare products penetrate deeply into the skin to nourish and rejuvenate. The 90-minute treatment includes a hand and foot massage.

### Pre-Sun Dominican Coffee Scrub

60 minutes

Recommended at the beginning of your stay as a pre-sun treatment, this invigorating coffee exfoliation will boost circulation, reduce fluid retention and help to detoxify the body, while tightening the skin and reducing the appearance of cellulite. After the scrub, a coral-safe, mineral sun protector is applied to your face and body, leaving you beach ready and glowing.

### Coconut Moisture Massage

90 minutes

Indulge your senses in an exotic escape of local coconut and cacao in this moisturising head-to-toe hydration ritual. The ultimate tropical treatment, it concludes with a coconut foot exfoliation and cocoa body butter pressure point foot massage.





## Movement & Posture

Amanera has a dedicated team of movement specialists with vast experience in their fields who are looking forward to meeting you and customising your personal wellness and fitness experiences.

### **Salsa, Bachata and Merengue**

60 minutes

Experience the Dominican rhythms of salsa, bachata and merengue with our dance instructor, a fun and healthy way to get your body moving whether you're simply learning the basic steps or practicing advanced turns. Dance is known to harmonise body and mind, providing a deep sense of wellbeing.

### **Yoga & Meditation**

60 minutes

Yoga is a physical, mental and spiritual practice that strengthens the mind/body connection. Various yoga postures (asanas), breathing techniques and elements of meditation are incorporated to promote the flow of vital energy. Working within your range of flexibility, you will move through postures with a focus on breath and body awareness.

### **Thai Massage**

60/90 minutes

Increasing range of movement and flexibility, this passive yoga-like massage is a blend of stretching, acupressure, joint mobilisation and muscle compression. Therapists use their hands, knees, legs and feet to slowly stretch and energise your muscles, while remaining constantly aware of your physical limits.









### Nature Walk

A 7km loop begins at the main pavilion and takes you up to some incredible views from the mountain ridge behind the resort. It gradually descends through the lush rainforest to the other end of Playa Grande and concludes with a walk back along the beach. Enhance your Nature Walk experience with a sunrise breakfast in our pavilion at the top of the rainforest.

### Kayak or Stand-Up Paddleboard Eco Tour

A novel way to enjoy the natural beauty of the north coast, Amanera's water-based eco-tours begin on a secluded beach in Rio San Juan (ocean condition dependent). After launching your kayak or paddle board, you will paddle east along the coast and into Laguna Gri Gri, where the mangrove trees provide an important ecosystem for many species of birds, fish and reptiles. Along the way you will come across protected coves, home to schools of fish that often leap out of the water, sea urchins on the sandy bottom and oysters. After exploring the mangroves, stop at a natural pool for some snorkeling before heading back.



### Rum Tasting Class

How many kinds of rum exist? What are the countries producing rum? What is the difference between rum and rhum? All these questions will be answered by our bartender during a tasting of local rums. You will be sipping the finest products from the Dominican Republic and appreciate them even more with our selection of organic chocolate. Finally, our barman will help you prepare your very own Amanera Old Fashioned, our signature cocktail to be enjoyed with an Amanera cigar.

### Cigar Class with a Maestro del Cigarro

The Dominican Republic is famous for its tobacco and cigars. Learn more about the process of cigar-making in our private cigar class with Juan Alberto, our Maestro del Cigarro who has more than a decade's experience at Arturo Fuente, one of the Dominican Republic's most exclusive cigar brands. In this exclusive class, guests can discover how to blend, roll, press and distinguish different types of cigars and try one of our very own Amanera cigars.

## Extra Services

Certain aspects of a celebration require specialist services, and Aman works with trusted professionals in every destination who are known for their expertise. Our preferred photographers and videographers are some of the best in their fields, while our recommended florists will design floral decorations from bouquets and buttonholes, to table centrepieces and stands, in line with individual tastes.

A crucial aspect of any event, the music and entertainment can be specially curated to contribute to the uniqueness of your celebration. Each Aman is very much a part of its cultural setting and can arrange local musicians to perform traditional music. Traditional dance performances or cultural demonstrations can also be arranged, depending on the destination. Classical and contemporary options are also covered, with a selection of recommended string quartets, soloists, bands and DJs available.







## Getting to Amanera

Amanera lies 77km (47 miles) east of Puerto Plata Airport and west of Samaná Airport, and 177km (109 miles) north of Santo Domingo Airport. Airport transfers include VIP fast track service (with the exception of Samaná and Punta Cana). Private helicopter transfers to and from the Republic's domestic airports can be arranged. Amanera is a 75-minute drive from Puerto Plata and Samaná Airports.

Direct flights are available from Puerto Rico and the Turks and Caicos Islands, as well as from New York, Miami, Boston, Toronto, Mexico City, Panama City, Madrid, Paris, Frankfurt and other international cities.

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