Mali

**US State Dept Travel Advisory**

The US Department of State currently warns US citizens to NOT TRAVEL to this country due to crime, terrorism, and kidnapping. Consult its website via the link below for any updates to this advisory.

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

**Passport/Visa Requirements**

US citizens should make sure their passport is valid at the date of their entering the country. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for any entry stamp that will be required. A visa is required. US citizens will need to get in touch with the country’s embassy or nearest consulate to obtain a visa or Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) prior to visiting the country.

**US Embassy/Consulate**

[223] 2070-2300 or [223]-6675-2860; US Embassy in Bamako, ACI 2000, Rue 243, Porte 297, Bamako, Mali

**Vaccinations**

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for all travelers. See WHO recommendations

http://www.who.int

**Climate**

Subtropical to arid; hot and dry (February to June); rainy, humid, and mild (June to November); cool and dry (November to February)

**Currency (Code)**

Communaute Financiere Africaine francs (Western African CFA francs, XOF)

**Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)**

220 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): C, E

![Plug Type C and E](image)

**Major Languages**

French, Bambara 46.3%, Peul/Foulfoulbe 9.4%, Dogon 7.2%, Maraka/Soninke 6.4%, Malinke 5.6%, Sonrai/Djerma 5.6%, Minianka 4.3%, Tamacheq 3.5%, Senoufo 2.6%, Bobo 2.1%, unspecified 0.7%, other 6.3%; note: Mali has 13 national languages in addition to its official language (French)

**Religions**

Muslim 94.8%, Christian 2.4%, other 2.8%

**Time Difference**

UTC 0 (5 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

**Potable Water**

Opt for bottled water.

**International Driving Permit**

Suggested

**Road Driving Side**

Right

**Cultural Practices**

Pointing at people with the index finger is considered rude. Use the
whole hand to gesture instead.

**Telephone Code**
223

**Local Emergency Phone Numbers**
Ambulance: 15; Fire: 17; Police: 18

Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

- **World Health Organization (WHO)** - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. [http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)
- **To obtain an international driving permit (IDP)**: Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs: [American Automobile Association (AAA)](http://www.aaa.com) and [American Automobile Touring Alliance (AATA)](http://www.aataidp.com)

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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