## New Caledonia

### Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. 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 not required as long as the stay is less than 90 days over a 6 months period.

### Vaccinations

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of yellow fever transmission and for travelers having transited through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. See WHO recommendations.

### Climate

Tropical; modified by southeast trade winds; hot, humid

### Currency (Code)

Comptoirs Francais du Pacifique francs (XPF)

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

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

### Major Languages

French, 33 Melanesian-Polynesian dialects

### Religions

Roman Catholic 60%, Protestant 30%, other 10%

### Time Difference

UTC+11 (16 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

### Potable Water

Yes, but some opt for bottled water.

### International Driving Permit

Suggested

### Road Driving Side

Right

### Cultural Practices

It is considered impolite to cut into a conversation uninvited (wait to be asked), to speak too loudly in public, to arrive late to a pre-arranged meeting, or to fail to show respect to everyone, especially elders.

### Telephone Code

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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) ([www.aaa.com](http://www.aaa.com))
- American Automobile Touring Alliance (AATA) ([www.aataidp.com](http://www.aataidp.com))

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

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