## Saint Barthelemy

### **Travel Facts**





#### **US State Dept Travel Advisory**

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise normal precautions when traveling to the French West Indies, which includes the islands of Guadeloupe, Martinique, French Saint Martin, and Saint Barthélemy. Consult its website via the link below for updates to travel advisories. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

#### **Passport/Visa Requirements**

For the latest passport and visa requirements for this country, please consult the U.S. State
Department's "Learn About Your Destination" search tool, available through the link below.
https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages.html

#### **US Embassy/Consulate**

None (overseas collectivity of France); US citizens may call US Dept of State (202)-501-4444 for emergencies; alternate contact is the US Embassy in Barbados [1] (246) 227-4000; US Embassy in Bridgetown, Wildey Business Park, St. Michael BB 14006, Barbados, WI; BridgetownACS@state.gov; https://bb.usembassy.gov/

#### **Types of Travelers**

Additional travel considerations can be found on the US Dept of State International Travel page. <a href="https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html">https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html</a>

#### **Telephone Code**

590

#### **Local Emergency Phone**

Ambulance: 17; Fire: 18; Police: 17

#### **Vaccinations**

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Saint Barthélemy: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, typhoid, yellow fever, rabies, meningitis, polio, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis), chickenpox, shingles, pneumonia, COVID-19, and influenza. http://www.who.int/

#### Climate

Tropical, with practically no variation in temperature; has two seasons (dry and humid)

#### Currency (Code)

Euros (EUR)

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

230 V / 60 Hz / plug types(s): C, E



#### **Major Languages**

French (primary), English

#### **Major Religions**

Roman Catholic, Protestant, Jehovah's Witnesses

#### **Time Difference**

UTC-4 (1 hour ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

#### **Potable Water**

Yes, but some opt for bottled water

#### **International Driving Permit**

Suggested

#### **Road Driving Side**

Right

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#### **Tourist Destinations**

Colombier Beach; Anse de Grande Saline; Gustavia (includes Fort Karl, Lighthouse)

#### **Major Sports**

Rugby, yachting, kitesurfing

#### **Cultural Practices**

Celebrations of life are accompanied by a "ti-sec" shot of rum, a baked galette or traditional St. Bart breads, or sweet potato puddings.

#### **Tipping Guidelines**

Hotels usually add a service charge of 10-15%; always ask if this is included in the price quoted. Restaurants add a 15% service charge. Taxi drivers expect a tip of 10%.

#### Souvenirs

Straw woven items, sarongs, shell necklaces, beauty products

#### **Traditional Cuisine**

Accras — salt cod fritters served in a spicy Creole sauce

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