Papua New Guinea

Travel Facts





US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens reconsider travel to Papua New Guinea due to crime, civil unrest, and piracy. Exercise increased caution due to kidnapping, unexploded ordnance, inconsistent availability of healthcare services, and potential for natural disasters. <a href="https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/tr

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

+(675) 321-1455; EMER: +(675) 7200-9439; US Embassy Port Moresby, Douglas Street, adjacent to the Bank of Papua New Guinea, PO Box 1492, Port Moresby, NCD 121, Papua New Guinea; ConsularPortMoresby@state.gov; https://pg.usembassy.gov/

Types of Travelers

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

Telephone Code

675

Local Emergency Phone

Fire: 110; Police: 000

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Papua New Guinea: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, yellow fever, typhoid, Japanese encephalitis, 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; northwest monsoon (December to March), southeast monsoon (May to October); slight seasonal temperature variation

Currency (Code)

Kina (PGK)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

240 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): I



Major Languages

Tok Pisin, English, Hiri Motu, some 839 indigenous languages

Major Religions

Protestant and Roman Catholic

Time Difference

UTC+10 (15 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); note: Papua New Guinea has two time zones, including Bougainville (UTC+11)

Potable Water

Opt for bottled water

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Left



Tourist Destinations

Varirata National Park; Rainforest Habitat in Lae; Port Moresby (includes Parliament House, Boman War Cemetery, National Museum & Art Gallery); Kokoda Track; Tari Basin; JK McCarthy Museum

Major Sports

Rugby, cricket, soccer, Australian football, basketball

Cultural Practices

People will often point with their chins instead of their fingers.

Tipping Guidelines

A tipping culture does not exist. Tips are neither required nor expected.

Souvenirs

Woven billum bags; tribal masks; wood-carved storyboards, spirit boards, and drums; inlaid wooden bowls; woven baskets

Traditional Cuisine

Mumu — pork, sweet potato, rice, and vegetables cooked in an earth oven filled with hot coals or stones

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