

# Nigeria

## Travel Facts



### US State Dept Travel Advisor

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens reconsider Travel to Nigeria due to crime, terrorism, civil unrest, kidnapping, and armed gangs. Some areas have increased risk.

<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 2 blank pages 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 prior to visiting the country.

### US Embassy/Consulate

[234] (9) 461-4000; US Embassy Abuja, Plot 1075 Diplomatic Drive, Central District Area, Abuja, Nigeria; AbujaACS@state.gov;

<https://ng.usembassy.gov/>

**Disabled Travelers** <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/traveling-with-disabilities.html>

### LGBTQ+ Travelers

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/lgbtqi.html>

### Women Travelers

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/women-travelers.html>

### Telephone Code

234

### Local Emergency Phone

199

### Vaccinations

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

### Climate

Varies; equatorial in south, tropical in center, arid in north

### Currency (Code)

Nairas (NGN)

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

230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): D, G



Type D



Type G

### Major Languages

English, Hausa, Yoruba, Igbo (Ibo), Fulani, over 500 additional indigenous languages

### Major Religions

Muslim 53.5%, Roman Catholic 10.6%, other Christian 35.3%

### Time Difference

UTC+1 (6 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

### Potable Water

Opt for bottled water

### International Driving Permit

Suggested



### Road Driving Side

Right

### Tourist Destinations

Abudja (includes Millennium Park, Zuma Rock, Arts & Crafts Village); Nana Living History Museum; Ancient Nok Settlement; New Afrika Shrine; Osun-Osogbo Sacred Grove

### Major Sports

Soccer, boxing, rugby, track and field, basketball

### Cultural Practices

Using the left hand for eating or greeting is considered unclean; use the right hand instead.

### Tipping Guidelines

Service charges are added in many restaurants, but if not, a 10% tip is customary. Negotiate taxi fares before embarking on a journey. Tipping is not necessary.

### Souvenirs

Tribal ceremonial masks, carved idols, and weapons; leather goods, cane furniture, brass and bronze carvings and jewelry, woven baskets, Aso oke fabric items

### Traditional Cuisine

Jollof rice — rice cooked in a sauce made with tomatoes, tomato paste, onions, salt, pepper, coconut milk, spices such as nutmeg or partminger (basil leaf); meat, fish, vegetables, or even Roiboos tea can be added

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