Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Travel Facts





US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise normal precautions in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. Consult its website via the link below for updates to travel advisories and statements on safety, security, local laws, and special circumstances in this country. 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

US does not have an embassy in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines; the US Ambassador to Barbados is accredited to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines +(246) 227-4399; EMER: +(246) 227-4000; US Embassy Bridgetown, Wildey Business Park, Wildey, St. Michael BB 14006, Barbados, W.I.; BridgetownACS@state.gov; https://bb.usembassy.gov

LGBTQ+ Travelers

When venturing abroad, LGBTQ+ travelers can face unique challenges since laws, attitudes, and legal protections vary from country to country. Consult the website via the link below to learn what precautions to take before and during your trip. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/lgbtqi.html

Telephone Code

784

Local Emergency Phone

999.911

Vaccinations

See WHO recommendations. http://www.who.int/

Climate

Tropical; little seasonal temperature variation; rainy season (May to November)

Currency (Code)

East Caribbean dollars (XCD)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

110 V, 230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): A, B, G



Major Languages

English, Vincentian Creole English, French patois

Major Religions

Protestant 75%, Roman Catholic 6.3%, Rastafarian 1.1%, Jehovah's Witness 0.8%

Potable Water

Opt for bottled water

Time Difference

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

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Left



Tourist Destinations

Tobago Cays; Montreal Gardens; La Soufriere cross country trail; Firefly Plantation in Bequia; Botanical Gardens in Kingstown; Dark View Falls; Vermont Natural Trail; Fort Duvernette; Bequia Beach; Union Beach

Major Sports

Rugby, cricket, soccer, netball, basketball, volleyball, tennis

Cultural Practices

Generosity and respect for elders are the core principles in society. Don't call someone's name in public - it's a severe breach of etiquette.

Tipping Guidelines

A service charge of 10% is usually added to a restaurant or hotel bill, but if not, leave at least 10-15% depending on your satisfaction with the service. Tip taxi drivers 10%, bellhops \$2 (USD) per bag, and housekeeping \$2 per night.

Souvenirs

Sailboat models, recreational boats, handmade jewelry, handmade clothing, spices and hot sauces, straw-made items, grass rugs

Traditional Cuisine

Roasted breadfruit and fried jackfish — whole breadfruit are roasted over an open fire; the jackfish is typically marinated in lemon juice, coated in flour, and then fried; a sauce made with onions, tomatoes, garlic, thyme, or other herbs and vegetables is usually served alongside the dish

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