

Kiribati

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens **DO NOT TRAVEL** to Kiribati due to COVID-19. 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

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 30 days.

US Embassy/Consulate

US does not have an embassy in Kiribati; the US Ambassador to Fiji is accredited to Kiribati; +(679) 331-4466; EMER: +(679) 772-8049; US Embassy Suva, Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, Tonga, Tuvalu, 158 Princes Rd, Tamavua, Suva, Fiji Islands

Telephone Code

686

Local Emergency Phone

994

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.

<http://www.who.int>

Climate

Tropical; marine, hot and humid, moderated by trade winds

Currency (Code)

Australian dollars (AUD)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

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



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Major Languages

I-Kiribati, English

Religions

Roman Catholic 57.3%, Kiribati Uniting Church 31.3%, Mormon 5.3%, Baha'i 2.1%, Seventh Day Adventist 1.9%

Time Difference

UTC+12 (17 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); note: Kiribati has three time zones: the Gilbert Islands group at UTC+12, the Phoenix Islands at UTC+13, and the Line Islands at UTC+14

Potable Water	Opt for bottled water.
International Driving Permit	Suggested; if a longer stay is in your plans, you will need to get a Kiribati driving license.
Road Driving Side	Left
Tourist destinations	Christmas Island (Kiritimati); Tarawa Atoll (includes Betio Island)
Major Sports	Soccer
Cultural Practices	Your feet should never be close to someone's head. If you pass someone lying down, be sure to walk carefully around them, otherwise your action will be considered rude.
Tipping Guidelines	Tipping is not customary, but a visitor's generosity will be much appreciated. A 10% service tax is added to all hotel bills.

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)

[US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html)

[To obtain an international driving permit \(IDP\). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs: American Automobile Association \(AAA\) \(www.aaa.com\) and American Automobile Touring Alliance \(ATA\) \(www.ataidp.com\)](#)

How to get help in an emergency? Contact the nearest US embassy or consulate, or call one of these numbers:

from the US or Canada - 1-888-407-4747 or from Overseas - +1 202-501-4444

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