

## Central African Republic

### US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens **DO NOT TRAVEL** to the Central African Republic due to COVID-19, Embassy Bangui's limited capacity to provide support to US citizens, crime, civil unrest, and kidnapping. 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, but airline may require visa.

### US Embassy/Consulate

[236] 21 61 0200; US Embassy in Bangui, Avenue David Dacko, PO Box 924, Bangui, Central African Republic; <https://cf.usembassy.gov/>

### Telephone Code

236

### Local Emergency Phone

Local numbers only

### Vaccinations

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for all travelers. See WHO recommendations.

<http://www.who.int>

### Climate

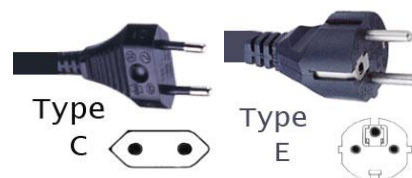
Tropical; hot, dry winters; mild to hot, wet summers

### Currency (Code)

Cooperation Financiere en Afrique Central francs (Central African CFA franc, XAF)

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

220 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): C, E



### Major Languages

French, Sangho, tribal languages

### Religions

Christian 89%, Muslim 9%, folk religion 1%

### 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

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| <b>Tourist destinations</b> | Boali Falls; Manovo-Gounda Saint Floris National Park; Bangui; Boganda Museum; Dzanga-Sangha National Park; Chinko Nature Reserve; Bouar Megaliths; Andre Felix National Park            |
| <b>Major Sports</b>         | Soccer, basketball, rugby, boxing  |
| <b>Cultural Practices</b>   | Locals eat using their hands, so travelers are advised to eat with their hands out of respect. It is important to eat with the right hand, because the left is often considered unclean. |
| <b>Tipping Guidelines</b>   | Tips of about 10% are customary for wait staff at restaurants. Small tips for hotel service staff are appreciated.   |

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 \(AATA\) \(www.aataidp.com\)](http://www.aaa.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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