

# Mali

## Travel Facts



### US State Department Travel Advisory

The US State Department currently recommends US citizens DO NOT TRAVEL to Mali due to crime, terrorism, and kidnapping.

<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 US 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

[223] 2070-2300 or [223]-6675-2860; US Embassy in Bamako, ACI 2000, Rue 243, (located off the Roi Bin Fahad Aziz Bridge west of the Bamako central district), Porte 297, Bamako, Mali; ACSBamako@state.gov; <https://ml.usembassy.gov/>

### LGBTQIA+, Women, and Special Needs Travelers

Additional travel considerations can be found on the US State Department's International Travel page.

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

### Telephone Code

223

### Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 15; Fire: 17; Police: 18

### Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Mali: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, typhoid, yellow fever, rabies, meningitis, polio, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis), chickenpox, shingles, pneumonia, COVID-19, and influenza.

<https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list>

### Climate

Subtropical to arid; hot and dry (February to June); rainy, humid, and mild (June to November); cool and dry (November to February)

### Currency (Code)

Communaute Financiere Africaine francs (Western African CFA francs, XOF)

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

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



Type C



Type E

### Major Languages

French, Bambara, Peul, Dogon, Maraka, Malinke, Sonrhai/Djerma, Minianka, Tamacheq, Senoufo, Bobo

### Major Religions

Muslim and Christian

### Time Difference

UTC 0 (5 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

### Potable Water

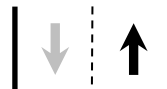
Opt for bottled water

### International Driving Permit

Suggested

### Road Driving Side

Right



### Tourist Destinations

Timbuktu; Bamako; Grand Mosque of Djenne; Mopti; Mount Hombori; Tomb of Askia in Gao

### Major Sports

Soccer, basketball

### Cultural Practices

"You leave home to come home," pretty much sums up the hospitality of the Malian people. A smile and conviviality quickly become the norm.

### Tipping Guidelines

Tipping porters \$1 (USD) per bag and hotel staff \$1-2 (USD) per day is appropriate. Professional guides and/or drivers who accompany you throughout a visit should be tipped \$10 (USD) per day.

### Souvenirs

Carved-wood native items, including masks and musical instruments; iron and copper swords and knives; pottery; woven cloth; gold, silver, and wood jewelry

### Traditional Cuisine

Tiguadege Na — a peanut butter stew prepared with lamb or chicken and large chunks of potatoes and carrots

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