

Senegal

Travel Facts



US State Department Travel Advisory

The US State Department currently recommends US citizens exercise normal precautions in Senegal. Some areas have increased risk. 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 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

+(221) 33-879-4000; EMER: +(221) 33-879-4444; US Embassy Dakar, Route des Almadies, Dakar, Senegal; DakarACS@state.gov;
<https://sn.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

221

Local Emergency Phone

Police 17, Fire Brigade 18, Ambulance: 00221338651818

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Senegal: 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.
<http://www.who.int/>

Climate

Tropical; hot, humid; rainy season (May to November) has strong southeast winds; dry season (December to April) dominated by hot, dry, harmattan wind

Currency (Code)

Communaute Financiere Africaine francs (XOF)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): C, D, E, F



Type C



Type D



Type E



Type F

Major Languages

French, Wolof, Pular, Jola, Mandinka, Serer, Soninke

Major Religions

Muslim

Time Difference

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

Potable Water

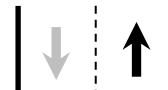
Opt for bottled water

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Right



Tourist Destinations

Goree Island; Dakar; Pink Lake; Cap Skirring; Petite Cote; Saloum Delta National Park

Major Sports

Soccer, wrestling, basketball, motor sports (off-road rally)

Cultural Practices

You should dress and behave modestly in public outside the main tourist areas.

Tipping Guidelines

Tipping is uncommon in restaurants and taxi cabs. For exceptional service, a tip is appropriate.

Souvenirs

Carved wooden statues and other items, tailored clothing, hand-painted fabric, woven baskets, copper sculptures, gold and silver filigree jewelry

Traditional Cuisine

Thieboudienne — a one-pot dish with fish, rice, and a variety of vegetables such as potatoes, cassava, squash, onions, cabbage, or carrots simmered in tomato sauce

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