Niger **Travel Facts**







US State Department Travel Advisory

The US State Department currently recommends US citizens reconsider travel to Niger due to risk of crime, civil unrest, 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

[227] 20-72-26-61; US Embassy Niamey, BP 11201, Niamey, Niger; consulateniamey@state.gov; https://ne.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

227

Local Emergency Phone

199

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Niger: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, typhoid, cholera, 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

Varies; equatorial in south, tropical in center, arid in north

Currency (Code)

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

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): D, G





Type D

Major Languages French, Hausa, Djerma

Major Religions

Muslim

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



Tourist Destinations

Zinder; Niamey; Agadez; W Benin-Niger National Park; Ayorou

Major Sports

Soccer, rugby

Cultural Practices

Landmines are a risk throughout the country. If you travel in Niger drive only in daylight and drive in a convoy with adequate security. Taxis are old and in poor condition. Don't use public transport due to poor road conditions and the risk of violent crime.

Tipping Guidelines

Tipping 10% of the total restaurant bill is appropriate. Tour guides and/or drivers should receive 10% and 5% respectively of the total bill.

Souvenirs

Gold and silver jewelry, leather goods, dyed fabric items, Tuareg native weapons, woven baskets, decorated gourds

Traditional Cuisine

Dambou - rice flour, fine hard wheat semolina (couscous semolina), or millet, wheat or corn couscous; the cereals are steamed for about 20 to 30 minutes and added to boiling moringa leaves; other ingredients are added including onion, chili, salt, broth, peanut, vegetable oil, meat or fish as a side dish

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