Solomon Islands

Travel Facts

US State Department Travel Advisory

The US State Department currently recommends US citizens exercise increased caution traveling to the Solomon Islands due to low COVID-19 vaccination rates.

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

US does not have an embassy in the Solomon Islands; the US Ambassador to Papua New Guinea is accredited to the Solomon Islands; +(675) 321-1455; EMER: +(675) 7200-9439; US Embassy Port Moresby, Courier Service Address: Douglas Street, adjacent to the Bank of Papua New Guinea, Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea; ConsularPortMoresby@state.gov; https://pg.usembassy.gov/

LGBTQIA+, Women, and Special Needs Travelers

Additional travel considerations can be found on the US State Department's International Travel page. <u>https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations.html</u>

Telephone Code

677

Local Emergency Phone 911

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Solomon Islands: 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 monsoon; few temperature and weather extremes

Currency (Code)

Solomon Islands dollars (SBD)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

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



Major Languages Melanesian pidgin, English

Major Religions Protestant, Roman Catholic

Time Difference UTC+11 (16 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time) Potable Water Opt for bottled water

International Driving Permit Suggested

Road Driving Side Left



Tourist Destinations

East Rennell; Guadalcanal American Memorial; Bonegi I & II; Morovo Lagoon; Tenaru Falls

Major Sports

Rugby, soccer, futsal (indoor court soccer), beach soccer

Cultural Practices

In the Solomon Islands, respect for elders and women, particularly in rural areas, is a must.

Tipping Guidelines

There is no tipping and visitors are requested to honor this local custom. However, visitors can contribute to a shared tipping box whose contents are distributed at Christmas.

Souvenirs

Wood carvings, woven baskets and other woven goods, mother-of-pearl and shell jewelry and other decorative items

Traditional Cuisine

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