# Haiti

# **Travel Facts**







# **US State Department Travel Advisory**

The US State Department currently recommends US citizens DO NOT TRAVEL to Haiti due to kidnapping, crime, civil unrest, and poor health care infrastructure.

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**

+(509) 2229-8000 / 2229-8900; US Embassy Port-au-Prince, Boulevard du 15 October, Tabarre 41, Route de Tabarre, Port-au-Prince, Haiti; acspap@state.gov; <a href="https://ht.usembassy.gov/">https://ht.usembassy.gov/</a>

### 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**

509

# **Local Emergency Phone**

Ambulance: 118; Police: 114

# **Vaccinations**

See WHO recommendations.

http://www.who.int/

#### Climate

Tropical; semiarid where mountains in east cut off trade winds

#### Currency (Code)

Gourdes (HTG)

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

110 V / 60 Hz / plug types(s): A, B





Type A

Type E

# **Major Languages**

French, Creole

#### **Major Religions**

Protestant/Methodist/Adventist/Jehovah's Witness, Roman Catholic, Vodou

#### **Time Difference**

UTC-5 (same time as Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1hr, begins second Sunday in March; ends first Sunday in November

#### **Potable Water**

Opt for bottled water

#### **International Driving Permit**

Suggested; additionally, if you plan to drive in Haiti, you will need an Inter-American Driving Permit issued by the AAA

#### **Road Driving Side**

Right



#### **Tourist Destinations**

National History Park (includes Sans-Souci Palace, Citadelle Laferriere, Ramiers); Bassin Bleu; Île-à-Rat; Musée du Panthéon National; Promenade du Bord de Mer

# **Major Sports**

Soccer, basketball

#### **Cultural Practices**

Traditional Haitian values, hospitality, friendly and expressive nature, obedience of elders, respect for family, embracing Haitian culture.

# **Tipping Guidelines**

Restaurant staff should be tipped around 10% of the bill. Taxi drivers can be given a discretionary tip if they are helpful and efficient.

#### **Souvenirs**

Straw hats, metalwork sculptures, papier-mache items, woodcrafts, voodoo items

#### **Traditional Cuisine**

Griot (or Griyo) — pork shoulder marinated in citrus, which is braised and then fried; often served with diri ak pwa wouj (red beans and rice)

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