Curacao

Travel Facts

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise normal precautions in Curação. 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 U.S. 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

[599] (9) 4613066; US Consulate General in Curacao, PO Box 158, J.B. Gorsiraweg 1, Curacao; https://cw.usconsulate.gov/; ACSCuracao@state.gov

Types of Travelers

Additional travel considerations can be found on the US Dept of State International Travel page. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html

Telephone Code

599

Local Emergency Phone

112

Vaccinations

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of yellow fever transmission and for travelers having transited through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. See WHO recommendations. http://www.who.int/

Climate

Tropical marine climate, ameliorated by northeast trade winds, results in mild temperatures; semiarid with average rainfall of 60 cm/year

Currency (Code)

Netherlands Antillean guilders (ANG)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

127 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): A, B



Major Languages

Papiamento (a creole language) 79.9%, Dutch 8.8%, Spanish 5.6%, English 3.1%

Major Religions

Roman Catholic 72.8%, Pentecostal 6.6%, Protestant 3.2%, Adventist 3%, Jehovah's Witness2%, Evangelical 1.9%

Time Difference

UTC-4 (1 hour ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

Potable Water

Yes

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Right



Tourist Destinations

Willemsted (includes historic Inner City, Queen Emma Bridge); Christoffelpark; Shete Boka Park; Landhuis Chobolobo; Hato Caves; Klein Curacao

Major Sports

Soccer, baseball, sailing

Cultural Practices

Always greet people upon arrival.

Tipping Guidelines

Restaurants bills usually add a 8-15% service charge. Tip porters at the airport and bellhops at the hotel \$1 (USD) per bag. Taxi drivers are usually tipped with 20% of the fare.

Souvenirs

Woven baskets or straw hats, batik fabric, seashell and beaded jewelry, liquor, imported items from the Netherlands

Traditional Cuisine

Keshi Yena — cheese typically stuffed with chicken, vegetables, seasonings, and raisins

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