Mozambique

Travel Facts







The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise increased caution in Mozambique due to crime, terrorism, and health issues. Some areas have greater risk. Consultits 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

US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 3 blank pages in their passport for each entry and exit stamp/visa that will be required. A visa is required. US citizens will need to get in touch with the country's embassy or nearest consulate to obtain a visa prior to visiting the country.

US Embassy/Consulate

+(258) 21-49-2797; EMER: +(258) 21-49-0723; US Embassy Maputo, Avenida Kenneth Kaunda, 193, Caixa Postal, 783, Maputo, Mozambique; consularmaputos@state.gov; https://mz.usembassy.gov/

LGBTQ+ Travelers

When venturing abroad, LGBTQIA+ travelers can face unique challenges since laws, attitudes, and legal protections vary from country to country. Consult the website via the link below to learn what precautions to take before and during your trip. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/lgbtqi.html

Telephone Code

258

Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 117; Fire: 198; Police: 119

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Mozambique: 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

Tropical to subtropical

Currency (Code)

Meticais (MZM)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

220 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): C, F, M



Major Languages





Type C

Emakhuwa, Portuguese, Xichangana, Cinyanja, Cisena, Elomwe, Echuwabo, Cindau, Xitswa, other Mozambican languages

Major Religions

Roman Catholic and Muslim

Time Difference

UTC+2 (7 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time))

Potable Water

Opt for bottled water

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Left

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Tourist Destinations

Gorongosa National Park; Maputo (includes Tunduru Botanical Gardens, Cathedral, Fortress, National Money Museum), Maputo Elephant Reserve; Macuti Lighthouse & Shipwreck

Major Sports

Soccer, basketball, volleyball

Cultural Practices

Covering a fist with one's open hand signals "that's enough."

Tipping Guidelines

Tipping is standard practice in Mozambique. Tipping 10% in restaurants and bars is common. Round up taxi fares. Tip bellhops \$1 (USD) per bag and hotel housekeeping \$1-2 (USD) per day.

Souvenirs

Ritual masks, seashell and bead jewelry, hand woven and dyed fabric goods, carved wooden items, pottery

Traditional Cuisine

Peri peri chicken — grilled or roasted chicken marinated in cumin, garlic, paprika, lemon juice, and bird's eye chilis grilled or roasted and served with a creamy and spicy coconut sauce

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