



Country Profile: Guinea

Guinea is a developing country in western Africa, with minimal facilities for tourism. Travelers who plan to stay in Conakry, the capital, should make reservations well in advance. French is the official language; Pular, Malinké, and Soussou are also widely spoken. Read the Department of State [Background Notes](#) on Guinea for additional information.

COUNTRY OVERVIEW



Country Name:	Guinea
Continent:	Africa
Capital City:	Conarky
Boundary Countries:	Cote d' Ivoire, Guinea- Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Senegal, Sierra Leone
Recommended Hospitals in Capital:	Clinique Ambroise Pare (Conarky)
Main Cities:	Conakry, Boké, Labé, Fria, Kindia, Kankan, Kamsar, Siguiri, Kissidougou, Macenta, Nzérékoré, Guéckédou
Country Size:	245,857 sq km
Population:	9,947,814

COUNTRY GENERAL INFORMATION

Language:	French(official), note: each ethnic group has its own language
Currency:	Guinean franc(GNF)
Predominant Religions:	Muslim 85%, Chritian 8%, indigenous beliefs 7%
National Holidays:	Independance Day, 2 October (1958)
Economic Status:	Guinea possesses major mineral, hydropower, and agricultural resources, yet remains an underdeveloped nation.
Security:	Army, Navy, Air Force, Presidential Guard
US Presence:	U.S. Embassy Conakry P.O. Box 603 Transversale No. 2 Centre Administratif de Koloma Commune de Ratoma Conakry, Republic of Guinea Telephone: +224-65-10-40-00
Major Airports:	Airports: 16, Airports w/paved runways: 5 Conakry International Airport (CKY/GUCY) Conakry Airport, Guinea, BP 3126, Conkary, GUINEA Tel: +224 (0)414144 Fax: +224 (0)411914 Customs, hours: 24 hours

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