



SOME USEFUL INFORMATION

Visas

Visas are issued upon arrival at the airport, at no cost. Please note if you travel through Australia and NZ, you will need to have transit visas for those countries. If you travel through Fiji, you do not require.

Climate

Samoa enjoys an ideal Pacific Tropical climate. Visitors to Samoa should bring lightweight summer clothing. Visitors are requested not to wear bathing suits in Apia town or in the villages, only in hotel swimming pools and at beaches. NO topless swimming for women is allowed anywhere in Samoa.

Electricity

Runs on 240 volts.

Health

Samoa is free from malaria, yellow fever, and major tropical diseases that are endemic in some tropical countries.

Currency and Banking Facilities

AUD1.00 is approximately SAT2.30 (Samoan Tala)

USD1.00 is approximately SAT2.20

NZD1.00 is approximately SAT1.80

FJD1.00 is approximately SAT1.30

Major credit cards are welcomed by most hotels, and car rental companies.

Airport Tax

Please note there is a departure tax of SAT65.00 per person payable at Faleolo airport.

Health Insurance

It is important to have appropriate health insurance in the event of an accident or unforeseen circumstance. Full medical services are available at the main hospital in Apia town, but it is not possible to buy health insurance in Samoa.

Official Languages

Official texts are in English and Samoan languages. Both languages are also widely spoken by the Samoa population.

Religion

The main religious denominations in Samoa are of Christian faith – Methodist, Catholic, Assembly of God, Nazarene, Protestant, Anglican Seventh Day Adventist, Bahai, Latter Day Saints and Jehovah's Witness.