

FIJI

“Comprised of more than 800 volcanic and coral islands, Fiji's tropical climate and location on Pacific air routes should make it a prime spot for tourists.

However, since 1987 racial and political tensions have been an intermittent source of domestic instability and international isolation.” BBC News

Consulate in the U.S.

Currency, Exchange Control, Credit Cards, Telephone, Time Zone, Business Hours, Electricity, Official Languages, On-Line and Paper Maps, Foreign Organizations, (Embassies, NGOs, Clubs), Arts and Crafts, Photography, Weather, Points of Interest, and More.

Embassy of the Republic of Fiji, 2233 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., No. 240, Washington, D.C., 20007; telephone (202) 337-8320, or the Fiji Mission to the United Nations in New York. This is particularly important for travelers planning to enter Fiji by sailing vessel.

Consular Information Sheet - U.S. Department of State

Health, safety and other up-to-date advisories about the country

<http://travel.state.gov/fiji.html>

Country Profile – BBC News

http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/asia-pacific/country_profiles/1300477.stm

Post Report - U.S. Department of State

Covers a wide variety of information provided to foreign service officers and their families prior to embarking to a new country. Includes living conditions, employment issues for spouses, availability of products, and much more.

http://foia.state.gov/MMS/posrpt/pr_view_all.asp?CntryID=52

U.S. Embassy in Fiji

Americans living in, or visiting Fiji are encouraged to register at the Consular Section of [the U.S. Embassy in Fiji](#) and obtain updated information on travel and security within Fiji. The U.S. Embassy is located at 31 Loftus Street in the capital city of Suva. The telephone number is (679) 331-4466, and the fax number is (679) 330-2267. The Embassy web site can be accessed via the Internet at www.amembassy-fiji.gov.

The World Factbook: (August 2003)

CIA overview of Geography, People, Government, Economy, Communications, Transportation, Military and Transnational Issues.

<http://www.cia.gov/cia/publications/factbook/geos/fj.html>

FINLAND

“Around two-thirds of Finland is covered in forest and about a tenth by water. In the far north the White Nights, during which the sun does not set, last for around 10 weeks of the summer. In winter the same area goes through nearly eight weeks when the sun never rises above the horizon.

This wild northern landscape inspired Finland's greatest composer Jean Sibelius. His work came to symbolise the country's struggle for independence in the early 20th century after nearly 900 years under the domination of its neighbours.” BBC News

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[Embassy of Finland](#) at 3301 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20008, tel: (202) 298-5800, or the Finnish Consulate General in Los Angeles or New York. Additional information is available via the Internet at <http://www.finland.org>.

Consular Information Sheet - U.S. Department of State

Health, safety and other up-to-date advisories about the country

<http://travel.state.gov/finland.html>

Country Profile – BBC News

http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/europe/country_profiles/1023629.stm

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http://foia.state.gov/MMS/ustrpt/pr_view_all.asp?CntryID=53

U.S. Consulate in Finland

[Americans living in or visiting Finland are encouraged to register at the Consular Section of the U.S. Embassy in Helsinki](#) and obtain updated information on travel and security within Finland. The U.S. Embassy is located at Itainen Puistotie 14B; tel: 358-9-171931 or after hours tel 358-9-605414; fax 358-9-652057; e-mail consular@usembassy.fi; or visit the Embassy's Internet home page at <http://www.usembassy.fi/>.

The World Factbook: (August 2003)

CIA overview of Geography, People, Government, Economy, Communications, Transportation, Military and Transnational Issues.

<http://www.cia.gov/cia/publications/factbook/geos/fi.html>

FRANCE

“A key player on the world stage and a country at the political heart of Europe, France paid a high price in both economic and human terms during the two world wars.

The years which followed saw protracted wars culminating in independence for Algeria and most other French colonies in Africa as well as the decolonisation of Indochina.” BBC News

Consulate in the U.S.

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Embassy of France at 4101 Reservoir Road, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20007, tel. (202) 944-6000, or the French Consulates General in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, New Orleans, New York, or San Francisco. The web site for the Consular Section of [the French Embassy in the United States](http://www.consulfrance-washington.org) is:

<http://www.consulfrance-washington.org>. For further information on entry requirements to Monaco, travelers may contact the Consulate General of Monaco at 565 5th Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10017, tel. (212) 759-5227. The Consulate General's web site is <http://www.monaco-consulate.com>.

Consular Information Sheet - U.S. Department of State

Health, safety and other up-to-date advisories about the country
<http://travel.state.gov/france.html>

Country Profile – BBC News

http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/europe/country_profiles/998481.stm

U.S. Embassy in France

Americans living in or visiting France or Monaco are encouraged to register at the Consular Section of the U.S. Embassy in Paris or the nearest Consulate and to obtain updated information on travel and security within France and Monaco.

The Consular Section of the U.S. Embassy in Paris is located at 2 Rue St. Florentin, 75001 Paris (Place de La Concorde, Metro Stop Concorde). Tel. 011-33-1-43 12 22 22 or (in France) 01-43 12 22 22; fax 01-42 61 61 40. Further information can be obtained at [the U.S. Embassy's web site](http://www.amb-usa.fr) at <http://www.amb-usa.fr>.

The Consulate General in Marseille is located at Place Varian Fry, 13086 Marseille; tel. 011-33-4-91 54 92 00 (Consular Section extension: 304), fax 011-33-4-91 55 09 47.

The Consulate General in Strasbourg is located at 15 Avenue d'Alsace, 67082 Strasbourg tel. 011-33-3-88 35 31 04, fax 011-33-3-88 24 06 95. The Consulate General in Strasbourg does not produce passports on the premises. American citizens in this area whose passports are lost or stolen and who have urgent travel needs should contact the U.S. Embassy in Paris.

The Consular Agency in Nice is located at 7, Avenue Gustave V, 3rd floor, 06000 Nice; tel. 011-33-4-93 88 89 55, fax 011-33-4-93 87 07 38.

The U.S. Government also has consular representation in Bordeaux, Lille, Lyon, Rennes, and Toulouse that provide some emergency services to Americans. However, their primary focus is economic and commercial.

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