

Visa requirements Senegal

Visitors to Senegal require a visa unless they come from one of the visa exempt countries. Visitors must hold passports that are valid for at least 6 months from the date of arrival.



Visa not required

Citizens of the following countries can visit Senegal without a visa for up to 90 days.

Andorra	Gambia	Morocco
Austria	Germany	Netherlands
Belgium	Ghana	Niger
Benin	Greece	Nigeria
Brazil	Guinea	Poland
Bulgaria	Guinea-Bissau	Portugal
Burkina Faso	Hungary	Romania
Canada	India	Rwanda
Cape Verde	Ireland	Sierra Leone
Central African Republic	Italy	Singapore
Chad	Japan	Slovakia
Congo	Latvia	Slovenia
Côte d'Ivoire	Liberia	South Korea
Croatia	Liechtenstein	Spain
Cyprus	Lithuania	Sweden
Czech Republic	Luxembourg	Switzerland
Denmark	Malaysia	Togo
Djibouti	Mali	Tunisia
Estonia	Malta	United Arab Emirates
Finland	Mauritania	United Kingdom
France	Mauritius	United States of America

Other Senegal visa exemptions

In addition, even if you are not from one of the countries above, you may still be exempt from a Senegal visa for short-term stays if you fall under one of the following categories:

You have a Laissez-Passer issued by the United Nations and you are traveling on duty

You have a Laissez-Passer issued by the Economic Community of West African States

You have a diplomatic passport issued by Turkey

You have a diplomatic, service, or special passport issued by:

Algeria

China

Gabon

Libya

Russia

Tanzania

Uganda

Visa on arrival

According to Timatic (not listed on the Senegalese Ministry of Foreign Affairs website), Senegal is known to operate a visa-on-arrival system.

Nationals of the following countries are eligible for a visa upon arrival for a stay of up to 1 month and must hold a passport valid for at least 6 months from the date of arrival, round-trip air tickets and proof of accommodation.

African Union African Union member states (except ECOWAS, Mozambique, São Tomé and Príncipe, Somalia, South Sudan and Sudan)

Andorra	Iceland	Philippines
Argentina	Israel	Russia
Armenia	Jamaica	Samoa
Australia	Kiribati	San Marino
Bahamas	Kuwait	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Barbados	Liechtenstein	Saint Lucia
Brunei	Marshall Islands	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
China	Micronesia	Solomon Islands
Costa Rica	Monaco	Suriname
Dominican Republic	Nepal	Thailand
El Salvador	New Zealand	Trinidad and Tobago
Fiji	Norway	Turkey
Grenada	Oman	Tuvalu
Guatemala	Palau	Ukraine
Haiti	Palestine	Vanuatu
Honduras	Papua New Guinea	Vatican City

IMPORTANT NOTE

There is conflicting information regarding the process of obtaining a visa for Senegal. While some sources claim nearly everyone who is not exempt from Senegal visa requirements can obtain a Senegalese Visa On Arrival, most of the websites of Senegal diplomatic missions advise foreigners to obtain a visa **before** they travel. As such, the safest way to get a Senegal Visa seems the nearest Senegal diplomatic mission to inquire about entry requirements.

How long does it take to process a Senegal visa?

Again, the application processing time for a Senegal visa changes depending on the country. While some diplomatic missions state they can process a visa for 2 -3 days, others may take a week or longer. It is always a

good idea to start the visa application process early, however, especially if there is a lack of information available.

You may have to apply for a Senegal visa by mail, which means the time it will take to deliver your application and to receive the visa if approved will also factor into the processing