

## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

### Visitor Visa

We have Visitor and Tourist visas available. We recommend you visit the Immigration and Citizenship Authority website for more information: [www.ica.gov.pg](http://www.ica.gov.pg)

### Climate

Coastal regions experience a tropical climate year-round with temperatures varying between 24°C – 30°C (75°F – 85°F). If traveling to the Highlands prepare for temperatures of around 15°C (60°F) during the day with cooler evenings. Dry season is May - November.

### Currency/Credit Cards

The unit of currency in PNG is the Kina. Most international currency traveler's cheques are accepted and banks can be found in all major centers. Major credit cards are also accepted at major hotels, most restaurants and big supermarkets.

### Other Health Requirements

Drinking water quality in Papua New Guinea is within World Health Organization standards. All urban centres have reticulated water. Bottled water is available as well.

Papua New Guinea is still classified as a malaria-prone zone, especially in the coastal wetland regions. It is advisable for all travelers to consult your doctor for precautions against malaria. Insect repellent, long sleeve shirts, trousers and enclosed shoes are all recommended as protection against mosquitoes.

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## WHY CRUISE PAPUA NEW GUINEA?

Papua New Guinea's many features provide compelling reasons for your cruise line to visit

### PNG FEATURES

Still largely untouched by the modern world .....	Something new, unique and different (attracts past guests)
Rich in culture, history, WWII relics and simple village life .....	Attracts the sophisticated and adventurous travellers
Fascinating natural features, active volcanoes and hot springs .....	Diverse shore excursions
Attractive crafts, carvings and primitive art .....	Unique souvenir and art purchases
Fabulous diving, snorkelling, trekking and bird life .....	Extends land programs options
Warm friendly people .....	Engaging interaction with locals
Tribal performances (singsongs) .....	Memorable guest experiences
Idyllic islands, pristine beaches and primitive villages .....	Varied and appealing destination options
Few roads and little inter-village contact .....	Best to visit by ship
Strategic location to Australasia and South-East Asia .....	Cruising PNG only, visit enroute or combine with Coral Sea/ Australia
Many potential destinations .....	Attractive, port-intensive itineraries
Ports, islands, beaches and villages within close proximity .....	Short distances, low speeds and less fuel consumption
Good international air connections from the capital Port Moresby .....	Turnaround Port Moresby, or feeder flights from other ports
Effective port facilities, bunkering (MDO), fresh water .....	Operate smoothly, provision, embark/disembark passengers
Experienced pilots, tug operators and good navigational aids .....	Operate with confidence and safety
Experienced tour operators, port agents, tourism authorities .....	Call on local expertise

### CRUISE LINE BENEFITS

### DIVERSE CULTURAL FESTIVALS

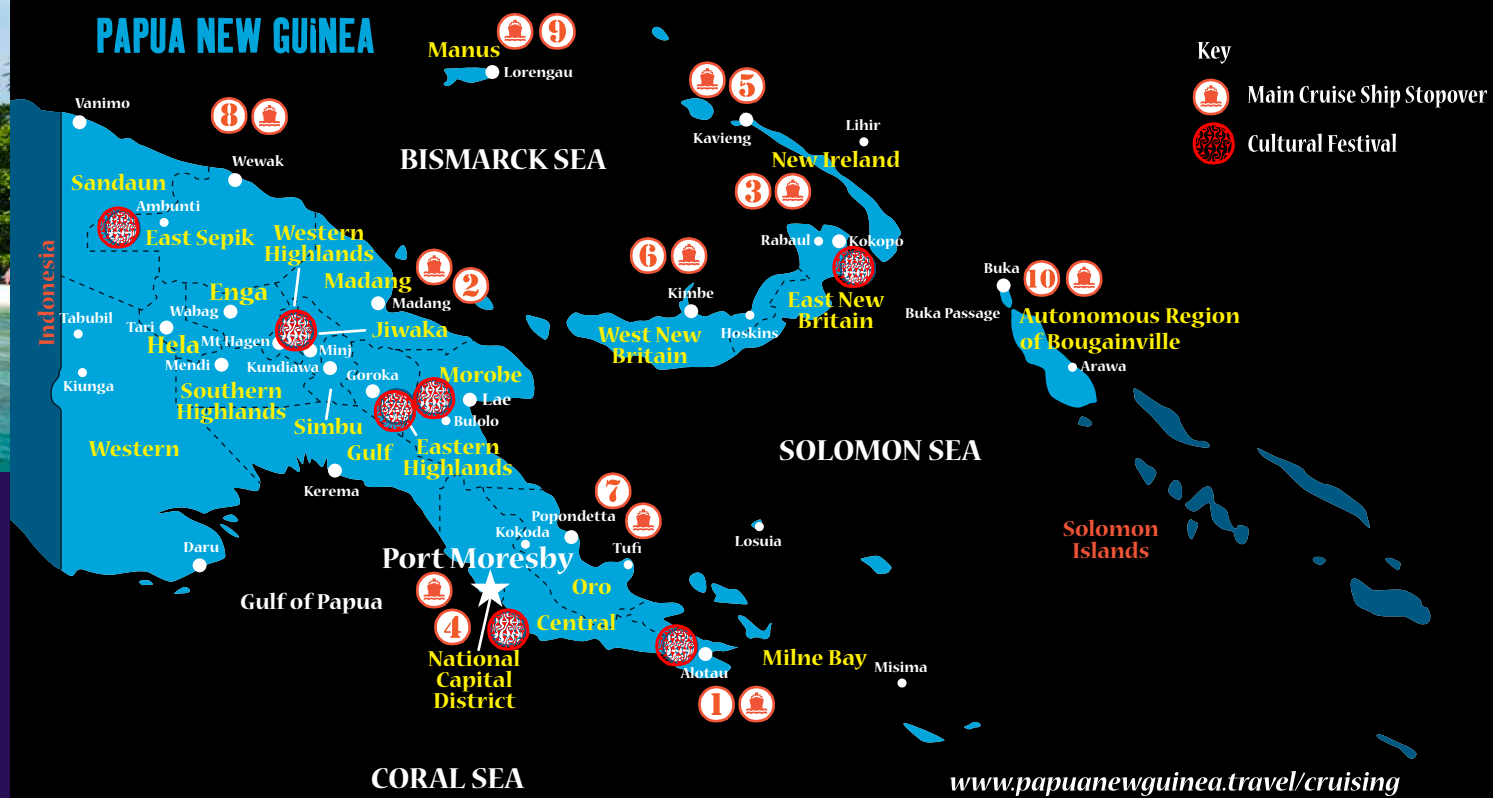
Get on a cruise and visit the world's truly last frontier. Papua New Guinea is naturally beautiful with its diverse culture likely to be seen during one your cruises. Cultural Festivals are held from July to November every year. Each festival is distinct and unique having significant cultural values providing that memorable visitor experience.

More on our extraordinary festivals here.  
[www.papuanewguinea.travel/events](http://www.papuanewguinea.travel/events)

Overland tours can be arranged with local tour operators to the Highlands and other regions of the country then back in time to continue your Papua New Guinea cruise journey.



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Key  
Main Cruise Ship Stopover  
Cultural Festival

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## HISTORY, PEOPLE & CULTURE

Fascinated by the joyous and inquisitive people and the beautiful natural environment, the first European visitors exclaimed the many virtues of Papua New Guinea.

It was in 1512 the first Portuguese explorer D'Abreu sighted our land. The second, de Meneses, named it Papua in 1526 after the curly hair of the locals. Isolated for centuries in small communities, each of our peoples have developed their own language, beliefs and customs, preserved their own lifestyle and nurtured their own habitat. Consequently Papua New Guinea's culture is extremely diverse and complex and many people still make a living from agriculture, fishing and hunting.

Traditional Melanesian culture is kept alive in the simple villages as well as in the elaborate rituals and ceremonies.

There are over 800 distinct languages in the country, though Tok Pisin is now widely used. English is the official language in education, business and government.

Visitors will find local variations in village construction, dialect and dress. Some villages are known for cultural shows, where local singsings and dances in traditional bilas (costume) are accompanied by the beat of 'kundu' drums. Many festivals celebrate the bounty of the land, ancient rites and tribal crafts such as the Baining fire dancers, shark calling, yam harvest, canoe and mask festivals.

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**1**  
**Alotau**  
\* Milne Bay  
\* Samarai and Trobriand Islands  
\* Louisiade Archipelago



**2**  
**Madang**  
\* Kalibobo Lighthouse  
\* Orchids and Animals  
\* Kau Museum Rainforest



**3**  
**Rabaul**  
\* Kokopo  
\* Volcanoes  
\* Japanese barges, tunnels and war relics  
\* Bitapaka War Cemetery  
\* Hot Springs



**4**  
**Port Moresby**  
\* International Airport  
\* Parliament House  
\* National Museum  
\* Port Moresby Nature Park  
\* Adventure Park at 14 Mile  
\* Bomana War Cemetery



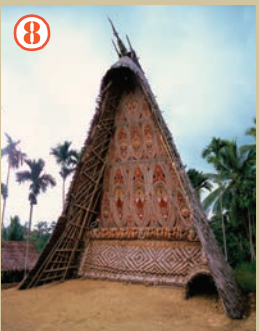
**5**  
**Kavieng**  
\* Islands and villages  
\* Snorkelling, fishing, diving, surfing, kayaking



**6**  
**Kimbe**  
\* Diving and Sport fishing  
\* Hot springs  
\* Village experiences



**7**  
**Oro Bay**  
\* Tufi Fjords  
\* Diving and fishing  
\* Private singsings, cultural tours



**8**  
**Wewak**  
\* Black Water lakes  
\* Stilt villages  
\* Sepik River  
\* Spirit Houses  
\* Cape Wom Memorial Park  
\* Surfing



**9**  
**Lorengau**  
\* Admiralty Islands  
\* Snorkelling, fishing, surfing  
\* War relics  
\* Cultural tours



**10**  
**Arawa/Buka**  
\* Buka Island  
\* Snorkelling, fishing, diving, hiking  
\* War relics  
\* Cultural tours

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