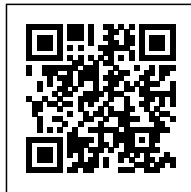


# THE GAMBIA

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The Gambia is a country in [Africa](#). The official name of the Gambia is the Republic of the Gambia. It shares borders with [Senegal](#). The people of the Gambia are called Gambians. The country is in Western Africa, bordering the North Atlantic Ocean and Senegal.

Etymology discusses where a term is considered to have originated from and how its meaning has changed over time. Etymology has been a factor in the naming of countries all across the world, and the Gambia has also been influenced. The etymology of the Gambia can be defined as; The word "Gambia" is derived from the Mandinka term Kambra/Kambaa, meaning Gambia River.

An ethnicity is a group or sub-group of people who are connected based on common characteristics which may include religion, origin, language, traditions, or culture. The ethnic groups in the Gambia include Mandinka, Fula, and Wolof.

Gambia Bird Airlines Limited is the national airline of the Gambia. The national colors of the country are red, blue, green, and white. The emoji flag of the country is ????????, and the ISO code is GM.

The Gambia is known for its national parks and wildlife, particularly birds. The national dish of the Gambia is Domoda. Attaya, in addition to being a traditional beverage, is one of the country's national drinks. The national instrument of the Gambia is Kora.

The country has the time zone UTC (GMT) followed by dd/mm/yyyy as the standard date format.

The Gambia is divided into 5 regions and 1 city. Serekunda is the Gambia's largest city, while Banjul serves as the capital.

The literacy rate in the Gambia is 42.0%.

The country's total area is 10,689 km<sup>2</sup> (4,127 sq mi), and the total population is 2,416,668. The country's average elevation is 34 m (112 ft), whereas the country's terrain can be defined as; Flood plain of the Gambia River flanked by some low hills. The country's usual climate is tropical; hot, rainy season (June to November); cooler, dry season (November to May).

The area of land next to a sea is called the coast, and a coastline is defined as the line where land and sea meet. The Gambia has 80 km of coastline.

The Gambian dalasi serves as the national unit of currency, and the Central Bank of the Gambia is recognized as the country's central bank. The domain for the Gambia is .gm and the country code is +220. Lion is the country's coat of arms.

Museums are known to educate and connect visitors with the nation's history, culture, civilization, art, and architecture. The National Museum serves the same purpose and is considered one of the most significant tourist attractions. The National Museum is home to a large collection of artifacts. It has been designated as the national museum of the country.

The national dress of the Gambia is the Grandmuba, and 18 February is designated as National Day.

In The Gambia, the majority of the population practices Islam as their religion.

Nature is a blessing from God and we must protect it because it provides us with the oxygen and food to survive. It also helps to keep our environment beautiful and clean. To emphasize the significance of nature, the Gambia has selected a few forces of nature as national symbols. The Gambia's national animal is the Spotted hyena. The national flower is the White variety orchid whereas, the national tree of the Gambia is the Palm tree, and the highest peak is Red Rock Gambia High Point.

Mythical creatures can be found in the literature and mythologies of many different nations. They represent imaginative representations of various creatures, humans, or hybrids. They are known for their specific features, supernatural abilities, and distinctive appearance. The mythical creature of the Gambia is Kikiyaon.

Sports have always played an important role in developing the social and cultural structure of the Gambia and other countries. When it comes to designating a sport as the official symbol, Football is considered the country's national sport.

Dawda Jawara is the founder of the Gambia, and the country's national hero is Mohamadu Lamin Suso.

Numerous organizations are working on a global level to improve the current state of affairs and to collaborate in order to establish and maintain constructive partnerships. The Gambia is a member of the [African Union \(AU\)](#), [Commonwealth of Nations](#), [Organisation of Islamic Cooperation \(OIC\)](#), and [United Nations \(UN\)](#). The Gambia collaborates with them to organize, analyze, and address various events and situations.

The tourism slogan of the country is "The Smiling Coast of Africa" whereas, "Progress, Peace, Prosperity" is the official motto of the country.

Adama Barrow is the current President of the Gambia.

The Gambia has declared Mandinka and Wolof as the country's official languages.

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