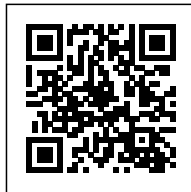


NEW CALEDONIA


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New Caledonia is a country in [Australia/Oceania](#). It shares borders with 2 countries: [Australia](#), and [New Zealand](#). The people of New Caledonia are called New Caledonians. The country is in Oceania, islands in the South Pacific Ocean, east of Australia.

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 New Caledonia has also been influenced. The etymology of New Caledonia can be defined as; British explorer James Cook was the first European to sight New Caledonia, on 4 September 1774, during his second voyage. He named it "New Caledonia", as the northeast of the island reminded him of Scotland.

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 New Caledonia include Melanesian, European, Wallisian, Futunian, Tahitian, and Indonesian.

Air Calédonie (Société Aircalin) is the national airline of New Caledonia. The national colors of the country are blue and red. The emoji flag of the country is , and the ISO code is NCFR-NC.

New Caledonia is known for being the best whale-watching destination. The national dish of New Caledonia is Bougna. Kava, in addition to being a traditional beverage, is one of the country's national drinks. The national instrument of New Caledonia is Bamboo Flutes and Conch shells.

The country has the time zone UTC+11:00 followed by dd/mm/yyyy as the standard date format.

New Caledonia is divided into 3 Provinces. The capital of the country is Nouméa, which is also the largest city in New Caledonia.

The literacy rate in New Caledonia is 97.34%.

The country's total area is 18,576 km² (7,172 sq mi), and the total population is 271,960. The country's average elevation is 814 m (2,671 ft), whereas the country's terrain can be defined as; Coastal plains with interior mountains. The country's usual climate is tropical; modified by southeast trade winds; hot, and humid.

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. New Caledonia has 2,254 km of coastline.

The CFP franc serves as the national unit of currency, and Institut d'émission d'outre-mer is recognized as the country's central bank. The domain for New Caledonia is .nc and the country code is +687. Kanak Flag 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 Museum of New Caledonia serves the same purpose and is considered one of the most significant tourist attractions. The Museum of New Caledonia is home to a large

collection of artifacts. It has been designated as the national museum of the country.

The national dress of New Caledonia is the Mother Hubbard, and 21 May is designated as National Day. In New Caledonia, the majority of the population practices Roman Catholicism and Protestantism 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, New Caledonia has selected a few forces of nature as national symbols. Kagu is both the national bird and national animal of New Caledonia. The national flower is Kowhai, the national tree of New Caledonia is the New Caledonian araucaria, and the highest peak is Mont Panié.

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

The country's national anthem was written by Chorale Melodia (French) and Edouard Gulaan Wamedjo (Nengone), and composed by Chorale Melodia.

Due to their unique qualities and rich cultural or historical backgrounds, national monuments around the world are of great importance. Kanak Monument is recognized as the national monument of the country. It attracts visitors from all around the world.

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. New Caledonia is a member of the [Pacific Community \(PC\)](#). New Caledonia collaborates with them to organize, analyze, and address various events and situations.

The tourism slogan of the country is "Just a slight change of scenery..." whereas, "Terre de parole, terre de partage-"Land of speech, land of sharing" is the official motto of the country.

Louis Mapou (Government President) is the current Prime minister of New Caledonia, and Emmanuel Macron is the President.

New Caledonia has declared French as the country's official language.

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