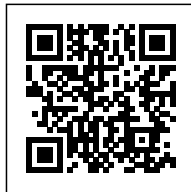


# TUNISIA

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Tunisia or the Tunisian Republic is the northernmost country in Africa, a part of the Maghreb region. It is bordered by Algeria to the west, Libya to the southeast, and the Mediterranean Sea to the north and east. The capital is Tunis, located on the northeastern coast. The population consists of Arab-Berber, European, and Jewish, and the official language is Arabic. The dominant religion is Islam in the country, and Tunisians use Tunisian Dinar as their currency. The country code is +216, along with the official domain ".tn."

"Freedom, Dignity, Order and Justice" is the national motto written in Tunisia's constitution. Habib Bourguiba the founder of the country was a lawyer, nationalist leader, and statesman leading the country as the president from 1956 and 1987 after achieving Tunisia's independence from France. Independence Day, the 20th of March 1957, is celebrated as the national day. Mohamed Bouazizi is considered a national hero. He set himself on fire as a response to confiscating his wares and the harassment and humiliation inflicted on him by the government. Red and white are the national colors of Tunisia, which form the Tunisian flag: the red crescent moon and star on a white circle sitting on a red background.

Dromedary is the national animal of the country as there are plenty in the desert areas of Tunisia. Another symbol of animals and the national bird is the Cream-Coloured Courser. Tunisia is known for its beautiful flowers, Jasmines which are another important cultural symbol, and the national tree olives. Couscous, a dish of small steamed granules of rolled durum wheat semolina, is considered the national dish along with the globally famous North African mint tea as the national drink. The National Monument Of The Kasbah, located in Kasbah Square, is a memorial monument and a prominent national symbol of several important events in Tunisia, referred to as the national monument. Royal Mausoleum Of Tourbet El Bey is the national mausoleum that houses the tombs of most of the Husainid dynasty rulers of Tunisia.

The Tunisian poet from the 20th century Aboul-Qacem Echebbi is the national poet of the country. Fiddle, Oud, And Kanun are the national instruments that are mainly used in Tunisian music. The traditional national dance is called Nuba which involves acrobatic movements along with belly dance movements and is usually performed with jars filled with water on the head. The national dress of Tunisia is called jebba, which is a men's costume with a long sleeveless tunic worn over a shirt, a vest known as a farmla, and trousers named sarouel. Jinns are the mythical creatures of Tunisia, which are pretty common in Islamic cultures. Lastly, the national airline is called Tunisair.

Kaïs Saïed is the current President of Tunisia.

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