## **TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS**

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Turks and Caicos Islands is a country in <u>North America</u>. It shares borders with the <u>Dominican Republic</u>. The people of the Turks and Caicos Islands are called Turks and Caicos Islanders. The country is in two island groups in the North Atlantic Ocean, southeast of The Bahamas, and north of Haiti.

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 Turks and Caicos Islands include Afro-Caribbean, Euro-Caribbean, mixed, and East Indian.

interCaribbean Airways, Ltd. (formerly known as Air Turks & Caicos) is the national airline of the Turks and Caicos Islands. The national colors of the country are blue and yellow. The emoji flag of the country is ????????, and the ISO code is TC.

Turks and Caicos Islands are known for their stunning beaches. The national dish of the Turks and Caicos Islands is Conch. Rum punch, in addition to being a traditional beverage, is one of the country's national drinks. The national instrument of the Turks and Caicos Islands is Constentina.

The country has the time zone UTC-05:00 (EST) followed by dd/mm/yyyy as the standard date format.

Turks and Caicos Islands is divided into 6 districts. Five Cays is Turks and Caicos Islands' largest city, while Cockburn Town serves as the capital.

The literacy rate in the Turks and Caicos Islands is 99%.

The country's total area is 948 km<sup>2</sup> (366 sq mi), and the total population is 38,718. The country's terrain can be defined as; Low, flat limestone; extensive marshes, and mangrove swamps. The country's usual climate is tropical; marine; moderated by trade winds; sunny and relatively dry.

The United States dollar serves as the national unit of currency. The domain for Turks and Caicos Islands is .tc and the country code is +1-649.

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

22 March is designated as National Day. In Turks and Caicos Islands, the majority of the population practices Christianity - Baptists, Church of God, Roman Catholics, Anglicans, Methodists, Seventh-day Adventists, and Jehovah's Witnesses 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 Turks and Caicos Islands have selected a few forces of nature as national

symbols. Turks and Caicos Islands' national bird is the Brown pelican, while its national animal is the Turks and Caicos Rock Iguana. The national flower is Turks and Caicos heather, whereas the national tree of the Turks and Caicos Islands is the Caribbean pine, and the highest peak is Blue Mountain.

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

The Lucayans and Pre-Columbian Settlement are the founders of the Turks and Caicos Islands. The country's national anthem was written by John Bull.

Mausoleums are buildings dedicated to holding someone's remains. It serves as a reminder of the nation's revolutionary fighters who sacrificed their lives for the country. Mausoleums are one of the most significant historical landmarks. The national mausoleum of the Turks and Caicos Islands is the Turks and Caicos National Museum. The country's national hero is Queen Elizabeth II.

The tourism slogan of the country is "Beautiful By Nature" whereas, "One people, one nation, one destiny" is the official motto of the country.

Anya Williams (Dupty Governor) is the current Prime minister of the Turks and Caicos Islands, and Nigel Dakin (Governor) is the President.

Turks and Caicos Islands have declared English as the country's official language.

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