

NOUMÉA (GRANDE TERRE), NEW CALEDONIA

Nouméa is the capital city of the French territory, Nouvelle Calédonie. Nouméa has the most days of sunshine of any South Pacific capital. New Caledonia is known for being more expensive than its regional neighbors, and bargaining is not part of the culture here

KEY INFO

Currency: Pacific Franc (1 USD = 110 XPF)

Population: 100,000 (271,000 NC)

Emergency #: 15 (medical), 17 (police), 18 (fire)

Drinking water: Tap water is drinkable

Time Zone: GMT+11

ID Requirements: Photo ID

Languages: French, Native Tribal Languages

Drive on the: Right

Pharmacy: Pharmacie Normale, 35 Rue de l'Alma




Bug Spray: Recommended

Wi-Fi: Tourist Information Office, Wi-Fi lampposts

Post Office: OPT, Rue Eugene Porcheron

PORT LOCATION

Ships dock at the Cruise Ship Terminal, close to Chinatown and the Latin Quarter. Larger ships dock in the working port and take shuttles to the Cruise Ship Terminal

Getting Around: The Tanéo bus network offers a PASS journée (Day Pass) costs 900 XPF and can be purchased from the ticket machine at the bus hub . Single-ride tickets can be purchased for 300 XPF onboard the bus . There are also tourist trains. Taxis  are booked by phone or can be hailed if they are within 100m of a taxi rank

 <https://itineraires.taneo.nc/fr/> - interactive bus map

 Download the Tanéo App for [Android](#) or [iOS](#)

Port Facilities: Wi-Fi, Café, market, live music

Port Address: Cruise Ship Terminal, Rue Jules Ferry, Nouméa 98800

ALL ABOUT THE WATER

Plage de la Baie des Citrons: The main tourist beach. 8-minute drive (4km from port)

Anse Vata Beach: Just south of Lemon Bay. 10-minute drive (4.5km from port)

Watersports: Anse Vata is the windiest beach in Nouméa, so perfect from windsurfing. Paddleboarding, kayaking, and jet skis are also available. 10-minute drive (5km from port)

Duck Island: A short boat ride from the beach in Anse Vata Bay, Duck Island is a great spot for snorkeling. 10-minute drive (5km from port) + a boat ride

Aquarium des Lagons Nouvelle Calédonie: Between Lemon Bay and Anse Vata, this seafront aquarium has a particularly enthralling room of fluorescent corals.

1pm-6pm (Mon-Fri), 9am-6pm (Sat-Sun) | 1,600 XPF   | 10-minute drive (5km from port)

 <http://www.aquarium.nc/>

For more: www.noumeadiscovery.com, www.newcaledonia.travel

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MAKE THE MOST OF NOUMÉA'S MUSEUMS

Tjibaou Cultural Centre: A must-see cultural center for understanding and appreciating the traditional Kanak culture, which is still alive on the islands of New Caledonia. Designed by celebrated architect Renzo Piano. The exhibits cover traditions, culture, community, and art.

9am-5pm (Tue-Sat), 9am-4pm (Sun) | 1000 XPF | N2 Bus | 18-minute drive (8km from port)

<https://centretjibaou.nc/>

Musée Maritime de Nouvelle-Calédonie: Predominantly dedicated to the history of French colonial exploration in the Pacific.

10am-5pm (Tue-Sun) | 700 XPF   | 4-minute drive/11-minute walk (1.5km from port)

<https://museemaritime.nc/>

Museum of New Caledonia (MUZ): Connect with the traditions, culture and art of Kanak and other Oceanic cultures, in this museum that dates back to 1863.

500 XPF | **Currently closed for renovation** | 3-minute drive/13-minute walk (1km from port)

<https://museenouvellecaledonie.gouv.nc/>

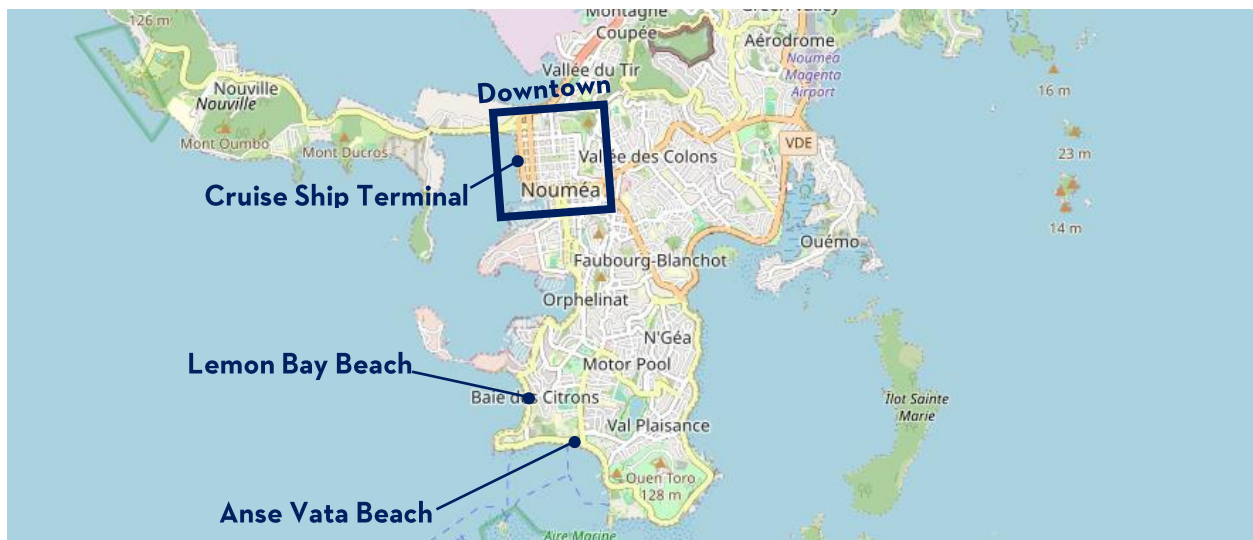
Musée de la Ville (Nouméa City Museum): Discover the history of the city and the various communities that live here.

9am-5pm (Mon-Fri), 9am-1pm, 2pm-5pm (Sat) | 300 XPF | 4-minute drive/7-minute walk (1km from port)

World War II Museum: Learn more about World War II from a New Caledonian perspective. Housed in a WWII storage facility built by the American Army.

9am-12pm, 1pm-5pm (Mon-Sat) | 300 XPF | 4-minute drive/8-minute walk (1km from port)

LOCAL MAP



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