

## PAGO PAGO, AMERICAN SAMOA

Pronounced Pango Pango, this beautiful natural harbor is the entry point to the largest of America Samoa's seven islands, Tutuila. The Harbor is surrounded by beautiful nature, including Mount Alava, Mount Matafao, and Rainmaker Mountain

### KEY INFO

**Currency:** US Dollar

**Population:** 4000 (46,000 American Samoa)

**Emergency #:** Dial 911

**Drinking water:** Tap water is not drinkable

**Time Zone:** GMT-11

**ID Requirements:** Photo ID

**Languages:** Samoan & English

**Drive on the:** Right

**Pharmacy:** Pago Supermarket Store (P7GW+FMJ)

**Bug Spray:** Recommended

**Wi-Fi:** National Park Visitor Center, Public Library

### PORT LOCATION

Ships dock at the Pago Pago port (a commercial port), a 5-minute walk from the center of town

**Getting Around:** It is possible to walk from the port to town. Public buses (also known as Aiga Buses) are available, and cost about \$1.25. Taxis are available in Pago Pago

**Port Facilities:** Commercial Port

**Port Address:** P8F8+57C, Rte 001, Fagatogo, Eastern District 96799, American Samoa

### BEACHES NEAR PAGO PAGO

**Two Dollar Beach:** Actually costing \$5, this privately run beach is very popular. There is a bar, sun loungers, and places to both swim and snorkel in the sea. Drinks are expensive at around \$12 for cocktails or \$5 for a local beer. 20-minute drive

**Fagatogo Local Beach:** The closest beach to the port is small, but popular with local families, and bats. Turn left out of the port. Free beach | 10-minute walk

**Alega Beach:** Good spot for swimming and snorkeling, and if you buy a drink at Tisa's Barefoot Bar, then you don't need to pay the \$5 entrance fee. Entry \$5 | 20-minute walk

### SHOPS + MARKETS IN PAGO PAGO

In Fagatogo, there are a couple of markets as well as local shops.

The market is easy to spot, with its blue-and-yellow striped awnings.

The fancy department store is called **Forsgren's**, and you'll find regular shops in the **Fagatogo Square Shopping Center**. Away from the main tourist market, you'll also find small stores selling locally-made handicrafts in **Pago Plaza**.

If you're looking for something customary clothing to buy as a souvenir, the traditional **puletasi dress** is a matching skirt-and-tunic sets adorned with Samoan designs.

For more: <https://www.americansamoa.travel>

## MUSEUMS IN PAGO PAGO

**Tauese P.F. Sunia Ocean Center:** Features educational exhibits and interactive learning tools to showcase American Samoa's natural resources and promote ocean awareness.

Free | 8am-4pm (Mon-Fri) | 3-minute walk

📍 [americansamoa.noaa.gov/visit/](https://americansamoa.noaa.gov/visit/)

**Jean P Haydon Museum:** Exhibits on local history, sea life and displays traditional handicrafts. There are also three small moon rocks, presented to American Samoa by President Nixon after the Apollo moon landings. Free | 8:30am-3pm (Mon-Fri) | 5-minute walk

📍 [haydonmuseumamericansamoa.org](https://haydonmuseumamericansamoa.org)

## NATURE NEAR PAGO PAGO

**National Park of American Samoa:** the only US National Park in the Southern Hemisphere. Free to visit, and there is a visitor center. Park features paleotropical rainforests, that are home to rare species including the Flying Megabat, and the rare, endemic Pacific Tree Boa in the depths of the forest. About 4,000 acres of the park is underwater, offshore. [Visitor Guide](#) is available online.

Free | 8am-4:30pm (Mon-Fri) | 20-minute walk, 3-minute drive

📍 [nps.gov/npsa/planyourvisit/index.htm](https://nps.gov/npsa/planyourvisit/index.htm)

**Go Hiking:** There are lots of wonderful hiking options close to Pago Pago, from a short (and easy) hiking trail to **Blunts Point Battery** (a World War II gun site), or the more demanding mountain hikes on **Rainmaker Mountain (Mount Pioa)**, with an elevation of 523m (1,716ft). Or check out the **Lower Sauma Ridge Hike**

## FURTHER AFIELD

**Leone:** Head to the southwest corner of the island to visit the village where missionary John Williams built the island's first church.

## BASIC MAP



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