



## Benin COVID-19 Travel Update

### Entry and Exit Requirements:

- Are U.S. citizens permitted to enter? Yes
- U.S. citizens wishing to enter Benin, must apply for a Beninese eVisa. Visit the COVID-19 website of the Government of Benin for more information on travel restrictions to and within Benin.
- Is a negative COVID-19 test (PCR and/or serology) required for entry? No
- Two COVID-19 tests, a TDR rapid test and a PCR test is required upon arrival at the Cotonou Cadjehoun Airport.
- All travelers who stay in Benin longer than 15 days must undergo a third COVID-19 test. The test can be performed at the Palais des congrès in Cotonou or at routine screening sites throughout the country.
- Are health screening procedures in place at airports and other ports of entry? Yes
- All travelers arriving at and departing from Cotonou Cadjehoun Airport must take mandatory COVID-19 tests at the traveler's expense. Travelers must register at the appointment website to schedule a test and pay the testing fee. The fee for testing is 50,000 CFA each direction and includes all arrival three tests. Tests for travelers under five years old are at no charge. Arriving airlines may require proof of registration or proof of ability to pay prior to boarding.
- Departing travelers who stay in Benin for more than three days must present proof of a negative COVID-19 test result to be permitted entry into the Cotonou Cadjehoun Airport. The Government of Benin recommends that departing travelers get tested at least 72 hrs prior to their entry at the airport to ensure that the test result is received. The test can be performed at the Palais des congrès in Cotonou by appointment through the appointment website. Expedited testing (labeled "VIP"), which can produce results in 4-6 hours, can be requested for an additional cost and are performed at the VIP testing center near the Nobila Hotel.
- Travelers may also be required to use hand sanitizer and walk through a disinfectant fogger machine at the airport.
- U.S. citizens may extend their tourist eVisa to 180 days without charge by visiting the Embassy of Benin in Washington, D.C. or the Ministry of the Interior in Cotonou, Benin.