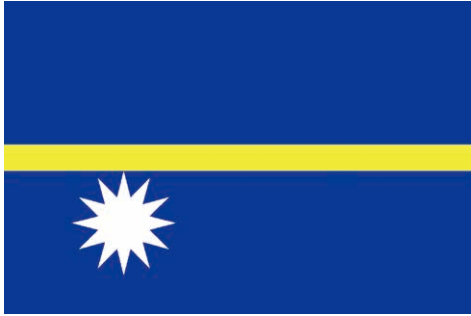


Country Introduction



Nauru, a tiny island nation in the South Pacific north east of Australia, is the world's smallest island nation, gaining its independence on January 31st, 1968. With a population of around 10,000 to 12,000, the island is a matrilineal society, where descent is traced through tribal lines. The total area of the island is 21 square kilometers, featuring Command Ridge as its highest point, and remnants of a World War II Japanese outpost.

Official language: Nauruan and English

Government: Parliamentary republic.

Currency: Australian dollar

Religion: Christianity



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Exhibition Concept

Nauru's Hidden Treasures: Unveiling the Island's Rich Cultural Heritage through Handcrafts.

Located in the heart of the Pacific, Nauru is a small island nation with a rich and diverse cultural heritage. Our islands' unique history, geography, and people have shaped our traditional crafts, which are a testament to our resilience and creativity. At the Japan Expo 2025, we are proud to showcase our handcrafted treasures made from local materials, reflecting the spirit of Nauru's resourcefulness and artistic expression.

Baskets woven from pandanus leaves: our traditional baskets are a symbol of our connection to the land and our ancestors.

Carvings: crafted from native wood, telling stories of our island's history, and legends.

Shell jewelry and adornments: crafted from locally sourced shells, it reflects the island's rich marine heritage and the beauty of the ocean.

Our vibrant textiles are woven from locally plant fibers, showcasing the unique patterns that reflect our island's cultural identity.

Experience the sights, sounds, of Nauru's rich cultural heritage. Our friendly staff will be on hand to share stories about our traditions, crafts, and way of life.



Higher Ground Initiative (HGI)

The Higher Ground Initiative in Nauru aims to relocate the entire population to higher ground due to rising sea levels. The island nation is experiencing coastal erosion, threatening homes and infrastructure. The initiative involves building a new community on the island's interior plateau, with homes, schools, and essential services. Funded by international donors, the project seeks to safeguard Nauru's future, protecting its people and culture from the impacts of climate change, with the goal of creating a resilient and sustainable community. Relocation is expected to be completed by 2040.



Nauru 12 Tribes

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The 12 tribes of Nauru are Deiboe, Eamwidamit, Eamwidara, Eamwit, Eamgum, Eano, Emeo, Eoraru, Irutsi, Iruwa, Iwi, and Ranibok. Each tribe had its own totem and style of clothing.

Significance of the tribes

- The tribes are represented by the 12-pointed star on the Nauru flag.
- Aroeni Day is celebrated annually on the 19th August to commemorate the tribes of Nauru
- Children inherited their tribe from their mother's side
- Each tribe have their own characteristics
- The tribe Iwi and Irusti tribe are extinct



Nauru's Unique Experience, Natural Beauty and Cuisine

Visiting Nauru promises a unique and remote experience. Expect a laid-back atmosphere and stunning natural beauty, including pristine beaches perfect for swimming and snorkeling. You'll explore remnants of the phosphate mining era, a key part of the island's history. Nauruan cuisine features a blend of local ingredients and imported goods. Expect fresh seafood, particularly fish, alongside staples like rice. You might find dishes featuring coconut fish, fruits like papaya and bananas. Dining options are limited but offer a taste of local and international flavours, providing a culinary glimpse into island life. Be prepared for a warm climate and high humidity.



Nauru Sport & Nauru Airlines

Nauru's sporting scene is vibrant, with Australian Rules Football holding immense popularity as the national sport, often played passionately. Weightlifting has also brought international recognition, with Nauruan athletes achieving success in the Commonwealth Games. Nauru Airlines serves as the national airline, providing vital air links to the island nation. It connects Nauru to neighbouring Pacific Islands and key destinations like Australia and Fiji, crucial for tourism, trade, and transportation for the island's population. The airline plays a pivotal role in Nauru's connectivity and economic stability.

