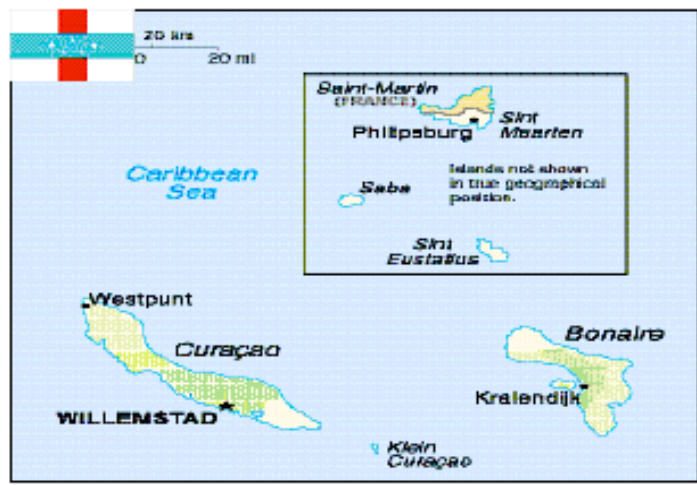


CURAÇAO

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Capital: Willemstad **Time:** GMT - 4

Background: Once the center of the Caribbean slave trade, the island of Curacao was hard hit by the abolition of slavery in 1863. Its prosperity (and that of neighboring Aruba) was restored in the early 20th century with the construction of oil refineries to service the newly discovered Venezuelan oil fields. The island of Sint Maarten is shared with FRANCE TEL: (whose northern portion is named Saint Martin and is part of Guadeloupe).

Map References: Central America and the Caribbean

Climate: tropical; ameliorated by northeast trade winds

Terrain: generally hilly, volcanic interiors

Natural Resources: phosphates (Curacao only), salt (Bonaire only)

Population: 210,134 (July 2000 est.)

Nationality: noun: Netherlands Antillean(s) adjective: Netherlands Antillean

Ethnic Groups: mixed black 85%, Carib Amerindian, white, East Asian

Religions: Roman Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, Seventh-Day Adventist

Languages: Dutch (official), Papiamentu (a Spanish-Portuguese-Dutch-English dialect) predominates, English widely spoken, Spanish

Economy: Tourism, petroleum transshipment, and offshore finance are the mainstays of this small economy, which is closely tied to the outside world. The islands enjoy a high per capita income and a well-developed infrastructure as compared with other countries in the region. Almost all consumer and capital goods are imported, with Venezuela, the US, and Mexico being the major suppliers. Poor soils and inadequate water supplies hamper the development of agriculture.

Industries: tourism (Curacao, Sint Maarten, and Bonaire), petroleum refining (Curacao), petroleum transshipment facilities (Curacao and Bonaire), light manufacturing (Curacao)

Currency: 1 Netherlands Antillean guilder, gulden, or florin (NAf.) = 100 cents

Railways: 0 km

Highways: total: 600 km paved: 300 km unpaved: 300 km (1992 est.)

Ports and Harbors: Kralendijk, Philipsburg, Willemstad

Airports: 5 (1999 est.) Airports - with paved runways: total: 5 over 3,047 m: 1 1,524 to 2,437 m: 2 914 to 1,523 m: 1 under 914 m: 1 (1999 est.)

Visa: required by all except nationals of UK, Netherlands, Germany, Belgium, and Spain.

Duty Free: goods permitted: 200 cigarettes or 50 cigars or 250g of tobacco, 2 litres of alcoholic beverages, an unlimited amount of perfume, gifts up to the value of NAG100.

Health: a yellow fever vaccination certificate is required from travelers over six months of age coming from infected areas.

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PRINCESS CRUISES, SEA PRINCESS, Tel: 1-800-PRINCESS, Richmond House, Terminus Terrace, Southampton, SO143PN, <http://www.princess.com/learn/ships/cp>
ROYAL CARIBBEAN INTERNATIONAL (RCL), Tel: 1 305 3410204, info@rccl.com, <http://www.royalcaribbean.com/findacruise/ports/group/home.do?portCode=CUR>

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