



TRAVEL TIP >>

Prepare for adventure! Traveling here feels like stepping into another world. The natural beauty and the hundreds of unique cultures offer a mosaic of experiences.



PACK THIS >>

An umbrella! This hot, tropical island nation gets lots of rainfall, and afternoon storms can drench you from head to toe.



FUN FACT >>>

This country once held a contest to design its new flag. A 15-year-old girl named Susan won. The flag represents the country's colonial history.



WHAT'S FOR DINNER? >>

Lots of fruits and vegetables! Taro roots and sweet potatoes are common, as are several other delicious tropical fruits. Pork, chicken and seafood are the main meats.



LOOK FOR THIS >>

Something new! This island in the South Pacific is one of the least explored countries in the world. Scientists think there are many undiscovered species in the thick jungles.



CHECK IN > DAY ONE

LANGUAGE >

There are hundreds of languages spoken here, but tribes living near each other need to communicate to do business, so a language known as Tok Pisin developed. Tok Pisin has roots in basic English, and over time it has become more sophisticated. Most children today learn Tok Pisin as their first language.

ACTIVITY >

You probably couldn't follow a Tok Pisin conversation, but if you focus on a few simple phrases, you can likely guess their meaning. Can you figure out what these phrases mean?

Welkam Tenkyu
Gutbai Mi lavim yu
God blesim yu! Skius

Mi sori Hepi berthde Plis Gut nait

LAYOVER > DAY TWO

PLAY >

To celebrate their diversity, tribes gather to participate in festivals called "sing-sings." People dress in colorful costumes, then dance and sing to demonstrate their tribe's uniqueness. Have a family sing-sing. Dress in a way that shows something special about you, and sing your favorite songs. God loves to hear your songs of praise (Psalm 47:7).



PRAY >

Papua New Guinea has many Christians. The church has been able to provide many tribes with schools, hospitals and basic needs such as clean water. Pray that the church can continue ministering to these groups and that the Bible can be translated into the many languages.