



## Balinese Guide (Indonesia)

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Australian ordinary passport holders visiting Indonesia as tourists for a period of less than 30 days can usually enter the country without a visa at major air and sea ports (including Ngurah Rai (Denpasar) International Airport). Travellers should ensure that they have at least six months validity remaining on their passport (six months from date of departure is recommended), a return or onward ticket and over US\$1,000 in available funds. For a full list of air and sea ports that allow visa free entry and departure, please visit the website of the Indonesian Embassy listed below. Travellers with a criminal history may be denied entry to Indonesia.

Additional conditions may apply to minors. Travellers are recommended to contact an Indonesian mission on the details below for further information and to ensure their specific circumstances make them eligible enter Indonesia without a visa.

### Current DFAT Travel Advice

The below information is an edited excerpt of the Travel Advice summary from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. The advice is for Indonesia as a whole, as DFAT does not provide Travel Advice specifically for Bali. This advice is current for Mon, 5th November 2018.

*Exercise a high degree of caution in Indonesia, including in Bali, because of the high threat of terrorist attack. Pay close attention to your personal security at all times. A series of powerful earthquakes caused widespread damage and loss of life in northern Lombok and the Gili Islands in July and August 2018. See [Natural disasters](#). Mount Agung is an active volcano in Bali. Ash from the volcano could disrupt flights and airport operations. See [Natural disasters](#). Rabies poses a risk to those who visit local markets where live animals and fresh food are sold, as rabies-positive dog meat may be sold for human consumption, and live rabies-positive dogs may be present. See [Health](#)*

*We continue to receive information indicating terrorists may be planning attacks in Indonesia. Attacks could occur anywhere, anytime. Be particularly vigilant at places of worship and during holidays or dates of significance. See [Safety and security](#)*

*Indonesia has severe penalties for narcotics offences, including the death penalty. See [Laws](#). Be aware of risks, particularly in tourist locations, relating to violent and petty crime; sexual assault; drink-spiking and consumption of alcohol contaminated with harmful substances, scams and credit card/ATM fraud. See [Safety and security](#). Consider risks involved in using motorcycles, including licence and insurance issues. See [Local travel](#).*

Travellers are encouraged to read the full travel advice, subscribe to updates to this advice and register their presence in Bali at [www.smarttraveller.gov.au](http://www.smarttraveller.gov.au).

### Vaccinations and Health Precautions

The following information is intended as a guide only and in no way should it be used as a substitute for professional medical advice relative to a traveller's individual needs and vaccination history. No guarantee is made as to its accuracy or thoroughness. For further information, please contact The Travel Doctor on 1300 658 844.

Vaccination against hepatitis A is recommended for travellers to Bali. Vaccination against hepatitis B, rabies (particularly if working with animals) and typhoid (particularly when travelling to areas with poor sanitation and hygiene) should be considered, especially by frequent or long stay travellers. Care with food and beverage selection is recommended. There is a medium risk of malaria in Indonesia; dengue fever and sporadic or limited transmission of the Zika virus also occurs; thus insect avoidance measures and anti-malarial medication may be necessary depending on your itinerary; pregnant women should consider postponing travel to Indonesia. Japanese encephalitis is present in Bali and vaccination should be considered by travellers spending more than four weeks in rural areas of the transmission zones.

Regardless of destination, all travellers should be up-to-date with their routine "background" vaccinations, including a recent annual influenza vaccination. Please consult a medical practitioner or contact The Travel Doctor for your specific risk to these preventable diseases and the appropriate avoidance measures. Australians travelling to Bali should ensure that they have adequate travel insurance to cover the length of their stay. Medications that are legal in Australia may be illegal in other countries. For further information on insurance, taking medication overseas, the Zika virus and other issues please visit [www.smarttraveller.gov.au/tips](http://www.smarttraveller.gov.au/tips).

### Indonesian Representation in Australia

Indonesian Embassy, Canberra

8 Darwin Avenue  
YARRALUMLA, ACT 2600

Tel: (02) 6250 8600  
Fax: (02) 6273 6017

Web: [www.kemlu.go.id/canberra](http://www.kemlu.go.id/canberra)

Indonesian Consulates in Australia:

New South Wales	Tel: (02) 9344 9933
Northern Territory	Tel: (08) 8943 0201
South Australia	Tel: 0417 821 065
Victoria	Tel: (03) 9525 2755
Western Australia	Tel: (08) 9221 5858



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### Time Differences between Bali and Australia

Bali is Greenwich Mean Time +8 hours. Daylight saving is not observed. The applicable time zone is Central Indonesian Time (WITA).

Bali, 12 noon, December = Perth 12 noon, Darwin 1:30pm, Brisbane 2pm, Adelaide 2:30pm, Hobart, Melbourne, Sydney 3pm.  
Bali, 12 noon, June = Perth 12 noon, Darwin, Adelaide 1:30pm, Brisbane, Hobart, Melbourne, Sydney 2pm.

### Important Contact Numbers

Country Code for Indonesia: +62  
Denpasar Area Code: (0) 361  
International Prefix: 001  
National Prefix: 0  
To Dial Australia call:  
001 or 008 followed by 61 <City> <Number>  
Australian Reverse Charges Direct:  
001 801 61 (not available from payphones)  
International Operator: 101  
Ngurah Rai (Denpasar) Airport: (0361) 935 1011  
Web: [www.bali-airport.com](http://www.bali-airport.com)  
Bali Tourism Office: (0361) 222 387  
Web: [www.tourism.baliprov.go.id](http://www.tourism.baliprov.go.id)  
Travelex Card Services:  
Call the US on +1 954 838 8294  
Visa Global Assistance: 001 803 44 1600  
MasterCard: 001 803 1887 0623  
American Express Travelers Cheques:  
001 803 44 0176  
Emergency Services:  
Fire - 113  
Ambulance - 118  
Police - 110  
Tourist Police - (0361) 224 111  
These services may not always have English speaking staff.

### Important Information to be Recorded

Travellers are encouraged to carry photocopies of all important documents separately to their originals and to leave a set of these photocopies with someone in Australia. This includes those documents listed below.

#### Passports

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Passport #: \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

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#### Credit Cards

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number: \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number: \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

#### Travel Insurance

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy #: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy #: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency #: \_\_\_\_\_

### Australian Representation in Bali

Australian Consulate General, Bali

Jalan Tantular No. 32 Tel: (+62 361) 2000 100  
Renon Fax: (+62 361) 2000 195  
DENPASAR 80234

Web: [www.bali.indonesia.embassy.gov.au](http://www.bali.indonesia.embassy.gov.au)

Alternatively, Australians may obtain assistance by contacting the 24 hour Consular Emergency Centre in Australia on (+61) 2 6261 3305.

Australians in Bali are encouraged to register their presence and contact details with the Australian Consulate General in Bali, or online with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade at [www.orao.dfat.gov.au](http://www.orao.dfat.gov.au).



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### Duty Free Allowances for Indonesia and Australia

Allowances when entering Indonesia:

Alcohol: 1 litre.  
 Tobacco: 200 cigarettes or 25 cigars or 100g of tobacco.  
 Other Goods: Up to US\$250 per person or US\$1,000 per family.

Allowances when entering Australia:

Alcohol: 2.25 litres.  
 Tobacco: 25 cigarettes plus one open packet of cigarettes.  
 Other Goods: Up to a value of \$900 (\$450 if under 18 years).

Minors may not claim alcohol or tobacco products. Further restrictions apply when entering/exiting Indonesia and Australia. Travellers are encouraged to familiarise themselves with these restrictions before crossing the borders of either country. For information on Indonesian customs visit [www.beacukai.go.id](http://www.beacukai.go.id), or for information on Australian customs visit [www.border.gov.au](http://www.border.gov.au).

### Electrical Adaptors and Voltage

Electrical Socket type: European (type C).

Supply: 220-240 V, 50 Hz (same as Australia).

A voltage converter will generally not be required to use appliances designed for Australia.

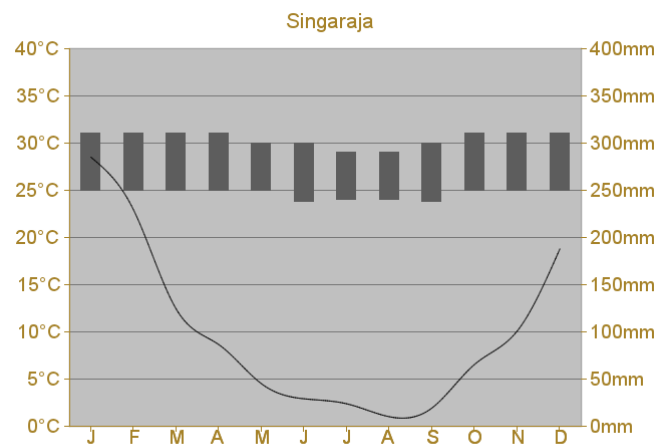
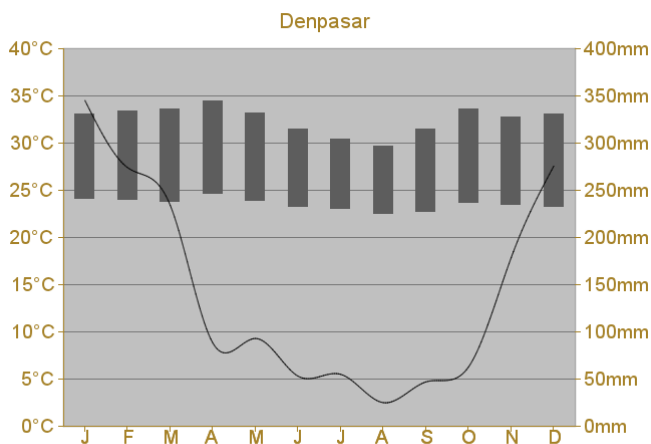
A socket converter is usually all that will be required for these appliances.



### Indonesian and Balinese Holidays 2018

01 Jan: New Year's Day	01 Jun: Pancasila Day
16 Feb: Chinese New Year	13-19 Jun: End of Ramadan
17 Mar: Balinese New Year	17 Aug: Independence Day
30 Mar: Good Friday	22 Aug: Feast of the Sacrifice
14 Apr: Ascension of Muhammad	11 Sep: Islamic New Year
01 May: Labour Day	20 Nov: Birth of Muhammad
10 May: Ascension of Christ	24/25 Dec Christmas
29 May: Waisak Day	

### Average Temperature (Bar) and Precipitation (Line) in Bali



For 5 day local forecasts please go to [www.bbc.co.uk/weather](http://www.bbc.co.uk/weather).

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### Exchange Rate with Indonesia

#### Interbank Rate

1 Australian Dollar (AUD) = 10,756 Indonesian Rupiah  
 10,000 Indonesian Rupiah (IDR) = 0.93 Australian Dollars

#### Buy Rate

1 Australian Dollar (AUD) buys 9,778.2 Indonesian Rupiah  
 10,000 Indonesian Rupiah (IDR) will cost 1.02 Australian Dollars

All rates were correct at a point in time on Monday, 05 Nov 2018. The "Interbank Rate" does not take into account any exchange fees, while the "Buy Rate" adds 9% to the exchange rate to simulate a typical margin paid when buying IDR notes in Australia. These rates have been rounded and should not be used when calculating transactions of large value.

### Currency Cheat Sheet

Rp 5,000 = \$0.51 AUD	Rp 100,000 = \$10.23 AUD	Rp 1 million = \$102.33 AUD
Rp 10,000 = \$1.02 AUD	Rp 200,000 = \$20.47 AUD	Rp 2 million = \$204.65 AUD
Rp 20,000 = \$2.05 AUD	Rp 300,000 = \$30.70 AUD	Rp 3 million = \$306.98 AUD
Rp 30,000 = \$3.07 AUD	Rp 400,000 = \$40.93 AUD	Rp 4 million = \$409.30 AUD
Rp 40,000 = \$4.09 AUD	Rp 500,000 = \$51.16 AUD	Rp 5 million = \$511.63 AUD
Rp 50,000 = \$5.12 AUD	Rp 600,000 = \$61.40 AUD	Rp 6 million = \$613.95 AUD
Rp 60,000 = \$6.14 AUD	Rp 700,000 = \$71.63 AUD	Rp 7 million = \$716.28 AUD
Rp 70,000 = \$7.16 AUD	Rp 800,000 = \$81.86 AUD	Rp 8 million = \$818.60 AUD
Rp 80,000 = \$8.19 AUD	Rp 900,000 = \$92.09 AUD	Rp 9 million = \$920.93 AUD
Rp 90,000 = \$9.21 AUD		Rp 10 million = \$1,023.25 AUD

This cheat sheet uses the "Buy Rate" of exchange listed above.

### Purchasing Power Parity

The following is a purchasing power comparison of the Indonesian Rupiah and the Australian Dollar, using the Big Mac as a common good. While it does not present a faultless comparison, it is a useful indicator of the purchasing-power of the currencies.

Big Mac Australia: \$5.95 (AUD) = 63,998 Rupiah  
 Big Mac Indonesia: Rp 35,750 (IDR) = 3.33 Australian Dollars

*A Big Mac in Indonesia is therefore 44% less expensive than in Australia.*

This comparison is based on 2018 prices using current exchange rates. Prices may not include variations by locality or local taxes.

### Banknotes of Indonesia

The legal currency of Indonesia is the rupiah, which is abbreviated using the symbol Rp. The subunit of the rupiah is the sen, however it is of such small value that it is almost obsolete. The following units of currency are the most common however other units are also in circulation (including a Rp 1,000 note). As it is illegal in many countries to print copies of bank notes, travellers are advised to remove the below images before travelling.







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### About Bali

Full Name:	Bali. One of over 30 provinces of Indonesia.	Significant Dates:	
Independence:	1949, from the Netherlands (as part of Indonesia).	c 50 AD	- Indian traders introduce Hinduism to Indonesia.
Size:	5,633 sq km (2.5 times larger than the ACT).	c 1346 AD	- Most Balinese adopt Hinduism.
Population:	4.2 million.	1597	- The first Dutch sailors visit the island of Bali.
Language:	Balinese, which is a mixture of local languages. Bahasa and English are also widely spoken.	1846-1906	- The Dutch begin to conquer and colonise Bali.
Religion:	Over 85% of people practice Balinese Hinduism.	1942-45	- Japan occupies Bali during World War Two.
		1946-49	- Indonesia gains independence after a four year campaign of guerrilla war against the Dutch.
		1963-64	- Mount Agung erupts devastating large areas.
		1965	- Anti communist purges kill over 100,000 in Bali.
		1970's	- The tourism industry rapidly develops.
		2002	- Islamist bomb attack in Kuta kills 202 people.

