

Steph's Quick Budget Fact Sheet

Bolívía - Sucre

Quick Facts

✓ Capital: La Paz

✓ Language: Spanish / Indigenous

✓ Population: 300.000

✓ Currency: Boliviano BS

✓ Country code: +591

✓ Visa: Fore some countries, check!

✓ Alarm codes: 110 (police), 119 (fire), 118 (ambulance)

✓ Vaccinations: Hep-A / Hep-B / Typhoid / DTP / Yellow fever / Malaria prevention

History Recap Over 1 Drink

1st: Aymara's. 1438-1527: Inca's in west. Spanish arrived → 1532: Battle of Cajamarca against Inca's. Spanish colonial times: Bolivia 'upper Peru' / Charcas. Conversion to Christianity. 1538: Sucre founded as La Plata. 1770s: Revolt Tupác Amaru II against harsh treatment Indians. 1776: Sucre = Chuquisaca, Spanish influence. 1809: Liberals of rebel armies under the command of Bolivar & Sucre: Battle of Ayacucho. 1825: Independent. 19th century: Peru-Bolivian Confederation → War of Confederation. 1879-83: War of the Pacific: Bolivia lost coast & nitrate rich fields to Chile. 20th century: Discrimination of indigenous people. 1941: Revolutionary Nationalist Movement (Marxist) → 1952: Bolivian National Revolution: include Aymara/Quechua population. 1964: Military junta overthrew president Paz Estenssoro → many presidents. Current: Evo Morales (indigenous): nationalize gas fields. 1991: Sucre → Unesco Cultural Heritage site.

Travel Seasons

1	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Wet												
Dry												
Best												
Budget												

Altitude: 2810m.

Bucket List For Free

- © Visit the crisp white cathedral in the morning.
- ⑤ If you're in for more churches: Iglesia La Merced (very small fee), Iglesia de San Francisco, Iglesia de Recoleta, San Felipe Neri, San Miguel, San Lazaro etc.
- © Free people watching at Plaza 25 de Mayo.
- © Experience the true Bolivian spirit at the Mercado Central, Mercado Campesino or Mercado Negro.
- © Work those glutes and climb the steep streets to the Recoleta area. World class view of the city!
- © Sundays: Take the minibus to the Tarabuco Market.

- Museo Nacional de Etnografia y Folklore.
- © Experience art and culture at the General Cemetery.
- © Free salsa lessons in the Kultur Berlin hostel!
- © Bolivar park: Free kids entertainment.

Sleep Cheap

- Kultur Berlin, +59146466854, Avaroa 326.
- ❖ The Beehive, +59167633346, Calle Capitán Echeverria 31.
- Go Couchsurfing!

Tourist Trap Alert

- (3) The Origines Bolivianos dance show.
- Some hostels offer a bed and food if you work for them. Honestly, food and lodging are ridiculously cheap in Bolivia. You don't want to work for a few euros per day.
- © The Tarabuco Market is a true tourist trip, but can be great fun.

Nights Best Spent

- ♦ Mooy, Perez 331.
- ♦ Mitos, Calle Francisco Cerró 60.
- ♦ <u>Stigma</u>, Calle Bolivar 128.

... Seated Down

- ♦ 3 de Febrero Teatro, Calle Arenales 8.
- ◆ Teatro Al Aire Libre: open air theater. Check Sucrelife.com for free concerts.

Knowledge I'm Taking Home

Hable español: <u>Academia Andina</u>, Calle Junin 756.

Mama Said

- Watch your bag, buy a lock. You'll need it.
- Don't wander around in the dark. Especially not alone, and especially not in deserted areas. Bolivia is a poor country and muggings and theft are common.
- Solution Properties
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Worth The Extra \$€¥

- Cal Orcko: Dinosaur footprints! Take the Dino
 Truck from the plaza (Mon-Sun: 9:30/12:00/14:30).
- <u>Casa de la Libertad</u>: Bolivian history museum.
- Museos Universitarios: Colonial relics, anthropological artifacts, modern art.
- Trekking in the surrounding valleys: <u>Condor</u> Trekkers.
- <u>Joyride Turismo</u>: Mountainbiking, horseback riding, climbing, paragliding, moto & quad tours.

Budget Bites

- 器 Broasteria Anita, corner Aniceto Arce / Camargo.
- # Dinner and lunch for less than €1 at Mercado Central, Mercado Campesino or Mercado Negro.
- 器 Tasty streetfood: salteñas, tucumanas, choclo, llauchas, anticuchos, saice.

Free-Riding?

- The bus system is used for long-distance travel. In the city (dirt cheap) *collectivos* are used. On the front you can find the destination.
- Taxi's are cheap, but can be very dangerous in Bolivia. Armed muggings are common. Only use official companies, let your hostel call one. Never go in a cab with strangers. As a woman, go with men you know.

Tip: Download the free Triposo Bolivia app for an offline map, offline guide & more.

Next?

- → In Bolivia: Santa Cruz, Potosí, Uyuni, Tarija, Tupiza, Oruro, Cochabamba, La Paz.
- → International destinations closeby: Brazil, Paraguay, Chile, Peru.

The Earth Becomes My Throne