









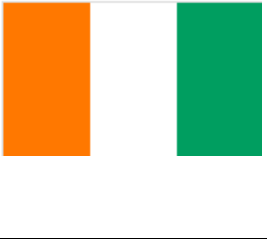








LIST OF AFRICAN COUNTRIES






	AFRICAN COUNTRIES	CAPITAL CITY	POPULATION (2021)	INTERESTING FACTS	FLAGS
A	Algeria	Algiers	44,180,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Algeria is home to the largest swath of the Sahara Desert (largest hot desert in the world). It is home to the famous Djamaa El Djazair mosque (3rd largest mosque in the world). It is the largest country in Africa. 	
	Angola	Luanda	34,500,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home to the Kalandula waterfall - the 2nd largest waterfall in Africa African country with Spanish heritage One of the unique wonders of Angola is the Miradouro da Lua – Viewpoint of the Moon 	
B	Benin	Porto-Novo	13,000,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benin's southern coast served as a route for slave migration from Africa to Europe and America. Over 10,000 slaves a year were shipped. First African country to transition from dictatorship to democracy 	
	Botswana	Gaborone	2,588,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home to the world's biggest African elephants World's biggest diamond producing country in terms of value and 2nd biggest in terms of production. Has the richest diamond mine in the world. The Okavango Delta is one of the Seven Natural Wonders of Africa 	



	Burkina Faso	Ouagadougou	22,100,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home to 60 different ethnic groups. • Main export of the country is Gold followed by Cotton and Animal products • A landlocked country located in West Africa. 	
	Burundi	Gitega	12,550,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home to the world's longest fresh water lake • A landlocked country in East Africa • Called 'The heart of Africa' it lies on a rolling plateau with Lake Tanganyika in its southwest corner. 	
C	Cabo Verde	Praia	587,925	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mountainous island nation made up of 10 volcanic islands. • Cabo Verde's highest peak active volcano is Pico do Fogo 	
	Cameroon	Yaounde	27,200,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Often called 'Africa in miniature' because of its geographical and cultural diversity. It has over 275 local languages spoken in Cameroun. • Home to Africa's oldest forest – Korop National Park Forest. Has over 1000 species of flora and fauna, 90% of which has medicinal value. • Debundscha Point is one of the wettest places on Earth. • Home to the world's largest frog – the Goliath frog. • Mount Cameroun is one of Africa's largest and most active volcanoes. 	



	Central African Republic	Bangui	5,457,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landlocked country • Rich in diamonds, gold, oil and uranium • Has one of the poorest populations • One of the best places in the world for Star-gazing 	
	Chad	N'Djamena	17,180,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landlocked country • Known as the 'The Babel Tower of the World' because of its cultural diversity. • Has over 200 ethnic groups and 100 languages spoken • One of the poorest countries in the world 	
	Comoros	Moroni	821,625	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The volcanic island of Comorian archipelago is known as 'Perfume Isles' due to their fragrant plant life (Ylang-ylang flower). • Comoros is the world's largest producer of Ylang-ylang and it supplies over 80% of it to form the base of the famous perfume Chanel No.5 	
	Congo, Democratic Republic of the	Kinshasa	95,890,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rich in natural resources – diamonds, cobalt, ore, copper etc • 2nd largest country in Africa • World's 2nd largest rainforest. Home to the unique Bonobo (chimpanzee species) 	
	Congo, Republic of the	Brazzaville	5,836,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Also known as Congo-Brazzaville. The Congo River is the deepest river in the world. 	




	Cote d'Ivoire	Yamoussoukro	27,480,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gets its name from the intensive ivory trade that took place from the 15th centuries. • Widely known as Republic of Côte d'Ivoire 	
D	Djibouti	Djibouti (city)	1,106,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Famous for the Lac Abbe and Lac Assal, one of the most dystopic landscapes in the world. Lake Assal, a crater lake is 10 times saltier than the sea. It is the second saltiest body of water in the world. • 3rd smallest country in Africa by land area. 	
E	Egypt	Cairo	109,300,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Famous for the monuments of the majestic Pharaohs – Great Pyramids of Giza, Great Sphinx, Egyptian Museum., Sakkara and Dahshur • Ancient Egyptian - The afterlife was incredibly important to Egyptians – preserving a dead person's body through the process of mummification. • The Ancient Egyptians invented lots of things we use today, such as paper, locks, keys etc. • Home to 7 UNESCO World Heritage sites • The 365-day Calendar that is divided into 12 months was invented in Egypt • Tourist attraction sites includes the pyramids, tombs and temples. 	

Equatorial Guinea	Malabo (de jure), Oyala (seat of government)	1,634,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only country in Africa to have Spanish as an official language • One of Sub-Sahara Africa's richest country 	
Eritrea	Asmara	3,620,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has the 2nd highest archaeological historical discoveries in Africa • One of the oldest human skeletons was discovered (1-million-year-old skull) 	
Eswatini	Mbabane (administrative), Lobamba (Legislative, royal)	1,192,375	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The kingdom of Eswatini is one of the world's last remaining monarchies. • Eswatini is known for having the world's youngest crowned monarch (18 years at the time of coronation) • Sibebe Rock is one of the world's second largest monolith (single piece of rock) • Home to the world's oldest mine. 	
Ethiopia	Addis Ababa	113,600,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home to an ancient city called Lalibela, which is famous for its remarkable rock-hewn churches. • Africa's oldest country • Ethiopia's Danakil Depression is the hottest and most arid place on Earth. • Ethiopia runs on its own calendar and use their own clock. It was the birthplace of coffee • The Blue Nile, also known as Abay, is the longest river in Ethiopia • There are about 8 UNSECO world heritage locations in Ethiopia 	




G	Gabon	Libreville	2,341,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 88% of Gabon is rainforest • The equator passes through Gabon • Home to most of Africa's Gorillas • Loango National Park is known as Africa's Last Eden (world's best wildlife watching destinations) 	
	Gambia	Banjul	2,640,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Known for having one of the most pristine beaches in the world 	
	Ghana	Accra	32,830,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home to world's biggest man-made lake – Lake Volta • Africa's 2nd largest and world's 7th largest producer of gold. 	
	Guinea	Conakry	13,530,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home to Mount Nimba, a UNESCO world heritage site for its unique scenic beauty. 	
	Guinea-Bissau	Bissau	2,061,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of the poorest countries in the world • Unique landmarks include the Bijagós Archipelago, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, with its pristine islands, diverse wildlife, and vibrant marine ecosystems. 	





K	Kenya	Nairobi	53,010,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Known for being the best World's best safari destination – • home to some of the world's most iconic national parks, including the Maasai Mara, where the Great Wildebeest Migration takes place. • Home to Africa's 2nd highest mountain – the Great Rift Valley • Maasai people, known for their rich cultural heritage 	
L	Lesotho	Maseru	2,281,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It's the only independent state on earth that exists entirely above 1,000 m (3,281 ft). • Lesotho has the "highest lowest point" of any country, no other country on earth has a base altitude of 1,400 meters above sea level. Hence it is aptly nicknamed, "The Kingdom in the Sky" • Land-locked country packed with the most breathtaking mountain ranges of all different shapes and sizes. This means that not only is the mountain air pure and fresh, but the skies are so clear you get the most incredible views of the stars above. 	




	<p>Liberia</p>	<p>Monrovia</p>	<p>5,193,000</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liberia is home to many rare and endangered animals, such as the Diana Monkey, Upper Guinea Red Colobus, Western Chimpanzee, and the Pygmy Hippopotamus. • Liberia holds most of the remaining Upper Guinean Forest, and this enchanting rainforest is one of the country's most incredible assets. • The Upper Guinean Forest of West Africa is a global biodiversity hotspot. 	
	<p>Libya</p>	<p>Tripoli</p>	<p>6,735,000</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over 90% of Libya is desert or semidesert. The Libyan Sahara Desert is home to a rare volcanic phenomenon, known as the Waw a Namus. • People mostly speak in three languages in Libya such as Arabic, English, and Italian. • Some of the popular animals in Libya include dolphins, marbled polecats, and Egyptian tortoises. 	





M	Madagascar	Antananari vo	28,920,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This isn't a Disney film setting, it is a real country located in Africa. • 4th largest island in the world. It has been the inspiration for many documentaries and films. • Most of Madagascar's wildlife is found nowhere else on Earth. Home to 70 species of lemurs and more than 50% of the world's chameleon population is found in Madagascar. • Known as the Great Red Island for its rich, red soil. 	
	Malawi	Lilongwe	19,890,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A landlocked country. • Lake Malawi is a magical lake, 9th largest in the world and it is considered as one of the deepest in the world. 	
	Mali	Bamako	21,900,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A landlocked country. • Home to the richest man who has ever lived - Mansa Musa, who was king of the Mali Empire from 1280 to 1337 is believed to be the wealthiest man who has ever lived. He had a fortune of around \$400 billion in today's money. • Mali is home to the world's largest mud-brick building. 	




	Mauritania	Nouakchot t	4,615,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mauritania is the last country to abolish slavery. • 2/3 of the country is covered by the Sahara Desert. • One of the largest trains in the world is found in Mauritania. • Rich in mineral resources. 	
	Mauritius	Port Louis	1,266,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mauritius is entirely surrounded by lagoons protected by coral reefs, making it the world's largest coral reef. • It is home to an underwater waterfall. • It is highly rated beach and family fun destination. • It is known as the land of the dodo, the extinct species that appears in Alice in wonderland. 	
	Morocco	Rabat	37,080,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morocco is home to the world's largest desert known as the Sahara Desert. • Famous for the Atlas Mountains, great for hiking. 	
	Mozambique	Maputo	32,080,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of the world's leading producers of cashew nuts. • Home to over 200 species of mammal, nearly 600 bird species and plant species. • Home to the fourth largest freshwater lake in the world, lake Nyasa. 	


N	Namibia	Windhoek	2,530,700	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home to world's oldest desert, Namib desert. It has some of the highest sand dunes in the world. • It has the largest population of free roaming cheetahs in the world. 	
	Niger	Niamey	25,250,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A landlocked country. • Nearly four-fifths of Niger is desert, making it one of the hottest countries in the world. • Niger is the world's sixth-largest producer of uranium, the basic fuel required for a nuclear power reactor. 	
	Nigeria	Abuja	213,400,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7th most populous country in the world, over 200 million people. • A diverse multiethnic country with more than 520 spoken languages. • Due to its export, Nigeria is the largest economy in Africa. • The Walls of Benin (800-1400AD) in present day Edo state, are the largest ancient earthworks in the world, and probably one of the largest man-made structures on earth. • Home to 4715 different plant species, over 550 species of birds and mammals, making it one of the most ecologically vibrant places of the planet. • 12th largest oil producer and 8th largest exporter of crude oil in the world. 	

R	Rwanda	Kigali	13,460,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of the smallest countries in Africa, mountainous Rwanda is referred to as the 'land of a thousand hills. • It's one of the cleanest countries in the world. • Plastic bags are banned in Rwanda and every last Saturday of the month is community work day. It also hosts a car-free day. • It is home to the endangered mountain gorillas 	
S	Sao Tome and Principe	São Tomé	223,107	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Made up of two main islands – Sao Tome and Principe. Due to its high density of endemic species, Sao Tome and Principe has been nicknamed 'the African Galapagos' 	
	Senegal	Dakar	16,880,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home to Africa's tallest statue. Senegal's national symbol is the lion. • Senegal is known as the 'Gateway to Africa' due to its multiple air and maritime travel routes. • Wakanda Futuristic city called Akon city is being created by Rapper, Akon in Senegal 	
	Seychelles	Victoria	99,258	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smallest African country in terms of area and population. • Known for its beaches, marine life and luxury holidays. • Home to the world's largest population of giant tortoises. 	

	Sierra Leone	Freetown	8,421,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Known around the world for its blood diamonds. • Tiwai Island in Sierra Leone is one of the few remaining tracts of ancient rain forest in West Africa. 	
	Somalia	Mogadishu	17,070,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has the longest coastline in mainland Africa. • Somalia's camels are the largest in Africa. • Prehistoric rock paintings dating back 5000 years have been found in parts of Somalia. • Mo Farah, one of Britain's most successful Olympic athletes is from Somalia. 	
	South Africa	Pretoria (administrative), Cape Town (legislative), Bloemfontein (judicial)	59,390,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Table Mountain in South Africa is one of the oldest mountains on the planet. • The Bloukrans Bridge is the highest bridge for bungee jumping in the world. • With more than 6 million trees in Johannesburg, it is believed to be the site of the largest man-made forest on earth. • South Africa is home to the tallest animal in the world – giraffe. It is also home to the least Dwarf shrew, the smallest mammal in the world. • Amongst the most famous South Africans are: South Africa's first democratically elected president Nelson Mandela, Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu. 	

	South Sudan	Juba	10,750,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A landlocked country. • It is the world's newest internationally recognised country • South Sudan is home to the Sudd, Africa's largest wetland and one of the largest tropical wetlands in the world. 	
	Sudan	Khartoum	45,660,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home to the legendary Kingdom of Kush • The river Nile (longest river in the world) runs from the north to the south of Sudan • Sudan has more pyramids than Egypt – home to over 200 pyramids built by the ancient Nubian civilisation from as early as 2500 BC 	
T	Tanzania	Dodoma	63,590,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home to Mount Kilimanjaro, the tallest mountain in Africa. • Three of the largest lakes in Africa are found in Tanzania -Lake Victoria, Lake Tanganyika, Lake Malawi. 	
	Togo	Lomé	8,645,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Known as the 'Slave Coast' as it was a major Atlantic slave trading hub • Togo is one of the world's top producers of phosphates, used in fertilisers • The voodoo religion is practised widely in Togo 	

	Tunisia	Tunis	12,260,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part home to the largest desert in the world – The Sahara Desert. • Some scenes from the Star Wars movies were filmed in Tunisia • The capital city, Tunis, was once considered one of the greatest and wealthiest cities in the Islamic world. 	
U	Uganda	Kampala	45,850,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landlocked country • Known as the 'Pearl of Africa'; by British Prime Minister Winston Churchill due to its rich landscapes. • The river Nile, longest river in the world, passes through 10 countries: Uganda, Tanzania, Burundi, Rwanda, Democratic Congo, Kenya, South Sudan, Ethiopia, Sudan and Egypt. • Uganda is one of the world's best bird-watching destinations with over 1000 species of bird • Famous for sighting the 'big five' game animals of lion, leopard, rhino, elephant and buffalo. 	
Z	Zambia	Lusaka	19,470,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landlocked country • Africa's second-largest copper producer after DR Congo and world's 7th largest. • All of Africa's Big Five can be found in Zambia • Lake Kariba is the world's biggest man-made lake 	

	Zimbabwe	Harare	15,990,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landlocked country • Home to one of the world's biggest waterfalls, Victoria falls, found on the Zambezi River. This waterfall is one of the 7 Natural wonders of the world. 	
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We've compiled the list of African countries alphabetically and gathered population data from reputable sources like the World Bank (2021).

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