

# Country Fact File: PARAGUAY



<b>Name of country</b>	República de Paraguay
<b>Continent</b>	South America
<b>Hemisphere</b>	southern
<b>Borders</b>	Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia
<b>Capital City</b>	Asunción
<b>Official languages</b>	Spanish and Guaraní
<b>Population</b>	6,783,272 (2015 estimate)
<b>Area</b>	406,752 km <sup>2</sup>
<b>Currency</b>	Guaraní
<b>Time Zone</b>	UTC -4
<b>Motto</b>	Paz y Justicia
<b>National Anthem</b>	Paraguayos, República o Muerte
<b>Highest mountain</b>	Cerro Perú 842 m above sea level
<b>Longest river</b>	Río Paraná 4,880 km
<b>National sport</b>	Football

## Other Paraguay facts

- ◆ known as “el Corazón de América” - the Heart of America - as it is in the centre of South America
- ◆ one of two land-locked countries in South America. The other is Bolivia.
- ◆ The Paraguay River divides the country into two halves.
- ◆ Corn and cassava are staples of the Paraguayan diet.
- ◆ The Paraguayan flag is the only flag to have different symbols on each side. It is one of the world’s oldest flags.
- ◆ Paraguay has the largest navy of any land-locked country.
- ◆ The Asunción-Encarnación railway line was the first railway line to be built in South America.

## Famous Hondurans

Leryn Franco	Roque Santa Cruz
Agustín Barboza	Iván Zavala
Zenon Franco	Augusto Roa Bastos



bare throated bell bird  
the national bird

