

Country Fact File: EL SALVADOR



torogoz
the national bird



Flor de Izote
national flower



Name of country	República de El Salvador El Salvador = The Saviour
Continent	North America
Hemisphere	northern
Borders	Guatemala and Honduras
Capital City	San Salvador
Official language	Spanish
Population	6,377,195 (2015 estimate)
Area	21,041 km ²
Currency	US dollar
Time Zone	UTC -6
Motto	Dios, Unión, Libertad
National Anthem	Himno Nacional de El Salvador
Highest mountain	Cerro el Pital 2,730 m above sea level
Longest river	Lempa 422 km
National sport	football

Other El Salvador facts

- ◆ smallest and most densely populated country in Central America
- ◆ affectionately called "el Pulgarcito de América" (the Tom Thumb of the Americas)
- ◆ lies along the Pacific Ring of Fire
- ◆ Independence Day is 15th September
- ◆ national dish is pupusas, handmade corn tortillas stuffed with cheese, chicharrón or refried beans
- ◆ known as "the Land of Volcanoes". It has more than 20 volcanoes.
- ◆ coffee beans are the main crop

Famous Salvadorans

Consuelo de Saint-Exupéry	Raúl Díaz Arce
Manlio Argueta	Salvador Sánchez Cerén
Rolando Molina	José Matías Delgado