

TRAVEL SAFETY

Santiago de Chile Airport
Caracas

Venezuela

2025

Maiquetía Simón Bolívar International
Airport - CCS



Visitors

- It has around 5 million inhabitants in its metropolitan area.
- Caracas receives an average of 500,000 visitors per year due to the political crisis.



General information

Located in the municipality of Maiquetía, La Guaira state, 21 km from downtown Caracas. Caracas, the capital of Venezuela, is a vibrant and contrasting metropolis nestled in a valley in the north of the country, just 15 km from the Caribbean Sea. Located at an elevation of 900 meters above sea level, it enjoys a tropical mountain climate



The airport

- 1.It has three runways (one for landing and two for takeoff), all approximately 3,500 meters long.
- 2.It has four terminals (domestic, international, cargo, and auxiliary).
- 3.Immigration procedures are handled by DEX.
- 4.Customs controls are carried out by SENIAT.
- 5.If the declared value of new merchandise exceeds USD 1,000, a fee of 1% + 15% VAT applicable to the amount above the indicated minimum must be paid.
- 6.Private aircraft for tourism purposes do not require prior entry permission, nor do corporate aircraft or aircraft owned by companies transporting personnel of the owner company.



Travels

Routes and travel times from the airport to the main hotel and financial areas:



Traffic

Traffic rush hours in Caracas:
7:00-11:00 AM and 4:00-8:00 PM

1. Hotel District (Las Mercedes, El Rosal), Caracas-La Guaira Highway La Planicie Tunnel Francisco de Miranda Avenue Las Mercedes Main Avenue or, alternatively, via Boyacá Avenue (Cota Mil) Francisco de Miranda Avenue, 25 km and 45 - 90 min.
2. Downtown Caracas (Historic Hotels), take the Caracas-La Guaira Highway Libertador Avenue Urdaneta Avenue, 21 km and 40 - 80 min.
3. Torre Polar / Plaza Venezuela (Financial Center), take the Caracas-La Guaira Highway La Planicie Tunnel Francisco de Miranda Avenue Plaza Venezuela, 23 km and 50 to 100 min.
4. Chacao (Banking District), Caracas-La Guaira Highway La Planicie Tunnel Francisco de Miranda Avenue Chacao Main Avenue, 27 km and 60 to 110 min. |



Weather conditions



rainy
28°(May–November).



dry
28°(December–April) .



RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Avoid wearing clothes carrying luggage or using electronic devices that are flashy or attracted attention
- 2.do not carry big amounts cash and only exchange money at the authorised exchange offices within the international terminal
- 3.Avoid public transport are taxis due to the high risk of kidnapping or robbery.
- 4.If you have a car in the city do not leave it parked at the airport.
- 5.Check that your luggage is sealed before leaving the baggage claim area.
- 6.Do not give money to customs or immigration officials to speed up procedures and always ask for official receipt.
- 7.Register your trip with your countries consulate before travelling and if necessary, have the number of your country's embassy handy.
- 8.Be wary of strangers who offer to help you with paperwork are luggage.
- 9.Always stay alert, both inside and outside the airport.
- 10.Make sure you carry your personal documents with you specially outside the airport premises.



The emergency contacts
you might need are:

Ambulance	0800-2422201
Emergencies	911
Firefighters	911



Some requirements Venezuela has for
travelers are:

- Valid passport
- Visa (if necessary)
- Departure ticket or onward travel ticket
- Yellow fever vaccination (if you are travelling from a tropical country).
- Custom declaration forms (SAIME).

