

Your Business Visit to Trinidad and Tobago

When planning a trip to Trinidad and Tobago, consult with the Trade Commissioner in the Commercial Division of the Canadian High Commission in Port of Spain, well in advance of your departure. Indicate the purpose of the visit, include several copies of product brochures and provide information on any initial contact made with potential Trinidadian business people. Based on this information the commercial staff will be pleased to arrange a tentative itinerary and make appointments on your behalf prior to your arrival.

Buying Season

The main buying seasons are during the Carnival, Easter and Christmas periods. Ethnic festivals also influence buying patterns for the consumer market, and buyers usually place orders six months prior to these festive periods.

When to Go

Avoid the Carnival period in February/March, when hotel accommodation is difficult to obtain.

How to Get There

Air Canada, American Airlines, and British West Indies Airways (BWIA) have regular flights into Port of Spain. The number of flights vary according to the season. There are regular Air Caribbean flights between Piarco International Airport (25 km from Port of Spain) and Crown Point International Airport in Tobago (13 km from Scarborough).

Passport

A valid passport is required for entry into Trinidad and Tobago. A visa is not required for Canadian citizens. Travellers must either have a return/through ticket or deposit sufficient funds to cover the purchase of a ticket with immigration authorities upon arrival. There is a departure tax of TT\$75 per person, except for visits of less than 24 hours.

Health Certificate

Where visitors to Trinidad and Tobago have recently travelled to areas infected with cholera and yellow fever, an international certificate of vaccination issued not less than six days and not more than six years previously, is required. Reasonable medical facilities, modern drugs etc., are readily available.