

# South Sudan



South Sudan is a country in Eastern Central Africa that is bordered by Sudan, Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Central African Republic. Its capital is Juba and it has a population of 10,561,244. It has a hot climate with seasonal rainfall that is heaviest in the South.

## Languages

English is the official language of the country, though Arabic is widely spoken, as are several regional languages including Dinka, Nuer, Bari, Zande and Shilluk.

## Nationality

South Sudanese

## Currency

South Sudanese Pounds



## Ethnic Groups

The major ethnic groups in South Sudan are the Dinka and the Nuer, both seasonally migrating pastoralists. In contrast, the Shilluk and Anuak are groups that have long traditions of settled agriculture. The civil war that ravaged the country since 2013 has created over 2.2 million refugees in neighboring countries as well as 1.9 million internally displaced peoples.

South Sudan's national symbol is an African Fish Eagle.



## Major Sites

- Boma National Park
- Bandingilo National Park
- Imatong Mountains
- Kidepo Game Reserve
- Kodok
- Southern National Park
- Ez Zaraf Game Reserve
- Shambe Nature Reserve
- Gogrial

## Independence Day

July 9, 2011

South Sudan's national colors are red, green, blue, yellow, white and black.

