



Welcome to SIDR!!!

Travel advice

Welcome aboard!! Here is how to get to our base in Jacmel Haiti..

Fly into Port au Prince, if on tighter budget and a more seasoned traveller.. go out the front gates.. moto taxi drivers abound.. tell him you wish to go to Port au Leogane gate... and haggle a good price.. which should not be more than 200 gourde or what they call 40 Haitian dollars.. which is 5 US dollars.. Once at Port au Leogane gate. There are vans which go to Jacmel. 200 gourde gets you and your luggage on board.. Arriving in Jacmel, the address of our base is 31 Rue La Saline and is beside the far corner at back of cemetery.. a big peach colored house..

Bigger budget option:

Outside airport, there are vans and drivers aplenty.. negotiate with a driver a price of no more than 100 US to take you to Jacmel.. but dont give the money until you are at our base..

Money in Haiti is the gourde.. although they will quote you in Haitian dollars, a fictitious currency . For instance 1 Haitian dollar equals 5 gourde and so on

Average costs of things in Jacmel.

Beer is 1\$ a moto taxi .50 cents, a fish dinner at beach 250 gourde.. a coke is 50 cents..

What to expect once at our base

Living conditions at base are very basic. We provide a bunk, breakfast and a hot lunch... supper is an informal affair where the volunteers all cook something together. Showers are bucket showers but are great after a long hot day.. to cool off..

We work 5 days a week with 8 hour days leaving the weekends to either just chill around base, or the beach, which is within walking distance.. or other beaches.. go to a voodoo ceremony, Bassin Bleu , wonderful cool waterfalls in a beautiful setting..

Volunteers are expected to be of legal age unless accompanied by a guardian

We recommend having your tetanus up to date . Malaria is here in Haiti as well as cholera.. antimalaria tablets can be found here for the budget traveller at a much lower price.. However anticholeral drugs are not here .