

# Moonshot 2024:

A Travel Guide To Lagos, Nigeria



Visas, Hotels, Off Conference Activities and Experiences of Lagos.



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# **Preparing for your trip to Nigeria**



## Pack for hot weather:

Nigeria's weather can vary but it is mostly hot, so pack accordingly. October in Lagos typically sees warm temperatures with occasional rainfall. Opt for lightweight, breathable clothing such as cotton shirts, shorts, and dresses to stay cool during the day. Light jackets or sweaters for cooler evenings or indoor air-conditioned spaces.

Comfortable walking shoes are a must, especially for exploring Lagos' vibrant streets and markets. Don't forget to protect yourself from the sun by packing sunscreen with a high SPF.



## Electronics and accessories:

Bring along your camera or smartphone to capture all the incredible moments during Moonshot 2024.

Don't forget to pack chargers, adapters, and power banks to keep your devices powered up throughout your trip.



## Vaccinations are important:

Some vaccines are recommended or required for Nigeria, depending on your nationality. For instance, travelers aged 9 months or older arriving from countries where there is a risk of yellow fever transmission must possess a yellow fever vaccination certificate. This requirement also applies to travelers who have transited through an airport in a country with a risk of yellow fever transmission.

Check the [Nigerian International Travel Portal](#) for the most up-to-date entry requirements. You can also bring your first aid medicines if need be.



## Don't forget your health essentials:

Pack any prescription medications you may need for the duration of your stay, along with basic over-the-counter medications for common ailments like headaches or allergies. Consider bringing insect repellent to protect against mosquitoes, especially if you plan to explore outdoor areas.



## Get travel insurance:

We recommend getting travel insurance as soon as you book your flights to protect yourself against unforeseen circumstances like medical emergencies, trip cancellations, and other potential disruptions.

Suggested travel insurance include [Safety Wings](#) and [AXA Mansard](#)





# Visas



Unless you're a citizen/national of member states of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), you'll need a valid Nigerian visa to be admitted into Nigeria from any of its international ports.

Nigerian visas are issued through the Nigeria Immigration Service (NIS) desk at the Nigerian Embassy or Consulate in your home country.

The nation also has a Visa-on-Arrival scheme for interested travelers.

To ease the process of visa-on-arrival application and procurement, TechCabal has partnered with IATA Certified agency, [Trip Holics Nigeria](#) to make your travel preparations seamless.

Please note that the NIS applies different charges to various nationalities for Visa-on-Arrival applications.



**Learn more on Nigerian visa requirements and its Visa-on-Arrival scheme [here](#).**

## How to Contact Trip Holics

### Send An Email

Contact Trip Holics via email at [tripholics.ng@gmail.com](mailto:tripholics.ng@gmail.com), putting [moonshot@bigcabal.com](mailto:moonshot@bigcabal.com) in copy

### Send a text/WhatsApp message

Contact Trip Holics via mobile or WhatsApp at +234 806 814 9373, referencing **Moonshot by TechCabal**, to kick-start your visa procurement.

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# **Where to stay**





To ensure that our delegates get the best of the Moonshot Conference and enjoy the city of Lagos, we are recommending the following hotels, which are close to and at most a 10-minute drive to the venue of the conference.

We are also offering special discounts for Moonshot guests at some of the hotels. Click [here](#) to see available discounts.



### **Eko Gardens**

Plot 1415, Adetokunbo  
Ademola Street, Victoria  
Island, Lagos



### **Eko Hotel**

Plot 1415, Adetokunbo  
Ademola Street, Victoria  
Island, Lagos



### **Eko Suites**

Plot 1415, Adetokunbo  
Ademola Street, Victoria  
Island, Lagos



### **Eko Signature**

Plot 1415, Adetokunbo  
Ademola Street, Victoria  
Island, Lagos



### **Nordic Hotel Lagos**

258 Kofo Abayomi Street,  
Victoria Island, 106104,  
Lagos



### **Radisson Blu Anchorage**

1a Ozumba Mbadiwe Road,  
Victoria Island, 101241, Lagos



### **Four Points by Sheraton**

Plot 9/10, Block 2 Oniru  
Chieftaincy Estate, Victoria  
Island, Lagos





# **How to get around**





From the ubiquitous yellow commercial buses popularly called “Danfo”, to the commercial tricycles called “Keke”, and Lagos State Government-run “BRT” buses, there are a host of ways to get around in Lagos.

However, we recommend the following easy ways to get around, some of which you may already be familiar with from your home country or other countries you have visited.

**Uber**

Probably the most popular ride-hailing service in the world

**Rida**

Ride-hailing service in Nigeria with a slightly cheaper price point than the two above

Formerly known as Taxify. This is another internationally popular ride-hailing service

**Bolt**

**Lag Ride**

Ride-sharing service run by the Lagos State Government





# Ride Luxurious with AutoGirl NG

[AutoGirl NG](#) offers various luxurious rentals with the following vehicles:

**Boats**

Ride boats for a fantastic view of Lagos' coastal waters

**Cars**

You get a variety of cars to pick from and a driver on standby 24/7

**Air  
craft**

Make a quick dash to another city in Nigeria with any of [AutoGirl NG's](#) aircraft rentals





# **Getting the basics**





## Money and currency:

The official currency is the Nigerian Naira (NGN) so you should consider exchanging currency or withdrawing cash upon arrival at the airport or local banks. While most major banks' ATMs accept international cards for cash withdrawals, and credit cards are accepted in major hotels and establishments, it's advisable to carry some cash for smaller purchases and transactions as cash is still king in the country.

**NB: Foreign credit cards are only likely to work in high-end stores and restaurants.**



## You will need data to stay connected:

WiFi will be available at the conference and at most major hotels, however, for 24/7 data access, you'll need a local SIM card. WiFi isn't available on the streets and internet connectivity may vary. To obtain a SIM card, you must register with your passport and possibly a National Identification Number (NIN). However, you don't need a NIN for a SIM card if you are a non resident / non citizen staying for less than 24 months - you just need your passport and proof that you're here for a stay of less than 24 months / not a resident - and a SIM card will be sold to you.

Other alternative options include a MiFi (portable mobile Wi-Fi hotspot) or an e-SIM, eliminating the need for a physical SIM card and registration hassle. We've partnered with Sochitel for e-SIM solutions. These can be purchased when you get a ticket via [moonshot.techcabal.com](https://moonshot.techcabal.com) or by emailing [moonshot@bigcabal.com](mailto:moonshot@bigcabal.com). Upon arrival at the airport, you can immediately connect to the internet, stay in touch with loved ones, and access your favourite apps hassle-free.

For SIM card purchases, the popular network providers in the country are [MTN](#), [Airtel](#), [Globacom](#) & [9Mobile](#).



## Shopping in local markets or food stalls:

You can always check out any mall close to you like Shoprite, Spar, Market Square, Prince Ebeanor Supermarket, etc. A lot of these establishments in malls accept debit card payments. However, if you're going to shop around local markets, make sure to go with cash.



## Drink bottled water:

It is crucial to stay well-hydrated by consuming lots of water. Opt for bottled water and avoid drinking water from clear sachets. You can buy a pack of bottled water from supermarkets like Shoprite for N1,800 (\$1.69/ £1.37) for 12 bottles.

Avoid drinking water directly from the tap, if you must, boil the water or filter your water to make sure it's clean.



# **The Moonshot Experience**





# Moonshot 2024 is a week of learning, networking and fun.

**Tuesday**  
Oct 8, 2024

## **MOONSHOT Opening Mixer** Invite only

**Wednesday**  
Oct 9, 2024

## **Conference Day 1**

- Govt & Regulation Conference
- Emerging Tech Fest
- Climate Tech Conference
- Startup Festival
- Entering Tech
- Deal Rooms
- Moonshot Demos
- Creative Economy Roundtable

**Side events/ Mixers**

**Thursday**  
Oct 10, 2024

## **Conference Day 2**

- Future of Commerce
- Creative Economy
- Big Tech & Enterprise Conference
- FUEL: The Investor Conference
- Deal Rooms
- Moonshot Demos
- Battlefield Finale

**MOONSHOT x MAVIN  
x ZIKOKO CLOSING  
PARTY**

**Friday**  
Oct 11, 2024

## **Art Day & Ecosystem Tour**

- Private Gallery Tour
- Ecosystem Tour of Selected Startups & Hubs
- Startup Founders Office Hours (Ventures Platform)
- Off-site workshops and sessions (Entering Tech)

**This Week in Fintech x  
Moonshot Official Happy  
Hour**

**Saturday**  
Oct 12, 2024

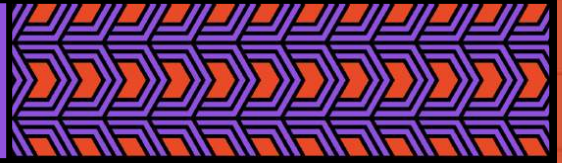
## **Off-Conference activities**

- Ilase beach trip
- Lekki-Conservation Center visit
- Arts & Crafts Market visit

**Side events/ Mixers**



## Attending the conference



Moonshot 2024 conference will run from Wednesday, October 9 - Thursday, October 10 at Eko Convention Centre, Lagos, Nigeria. Whether you're lodged far away or close to the venue, you can choose from suggested commuting options to get to the venue.

If you're staying far away from the Island, you should consider leaving hours early as Lagos is always plagued with traffic jams, particularly in the morning or evening during rush hours.

## Off-Conference activities

For Moonshot 2024, there is an exciting lineup of activities that'll keep you entertained before and after the main conference from Tuesday, October 8 - Saturday, October 12.

Moonshot begins with an opening mixer on Tuesday, October 8 to set the tone for the event. The mixer is strictly by invitation and guests have to confirm attendance via RSVP to invites sent.

There are also lined-up side events and mixers after the first day of the conference on Wednesday, ensuring the fun never stops. The second day of the conference ends with an exciting closing party.

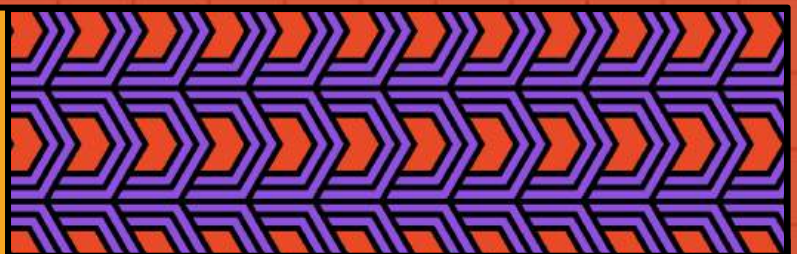
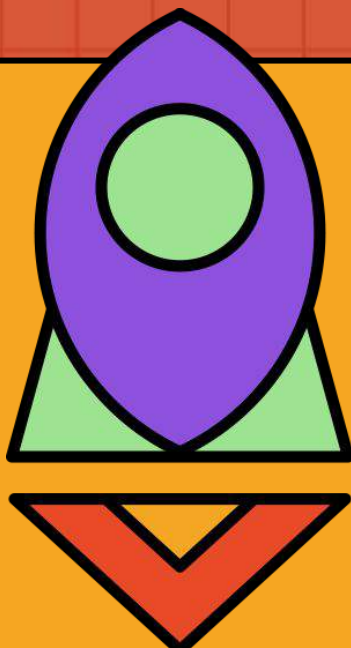


On Friday, October 10, get ready to explore Lagos' art scene and startup ecosystem with:

- Private Gallery Tour
- Ecosystem Tour of Selected Startups & Hubs
- Startup Founders Office Hours (Ventures Platform)
- Off-site workshops and sessions (Entering Tech)

Moonshot draws to a close on Saturday, October 12, with off-conference activities including:

- Ilase Beach Trip & Boat Cruise
- Lekki-Conservation Center visit
- Arts & Craft Market visit
- Nigerian Designer Shopping Tour



There will be several side events/mixers that players in the ecosystem will hold. While we are not directly involved with them, we will try to update this page with information on them should you find any interesting and wish to attend

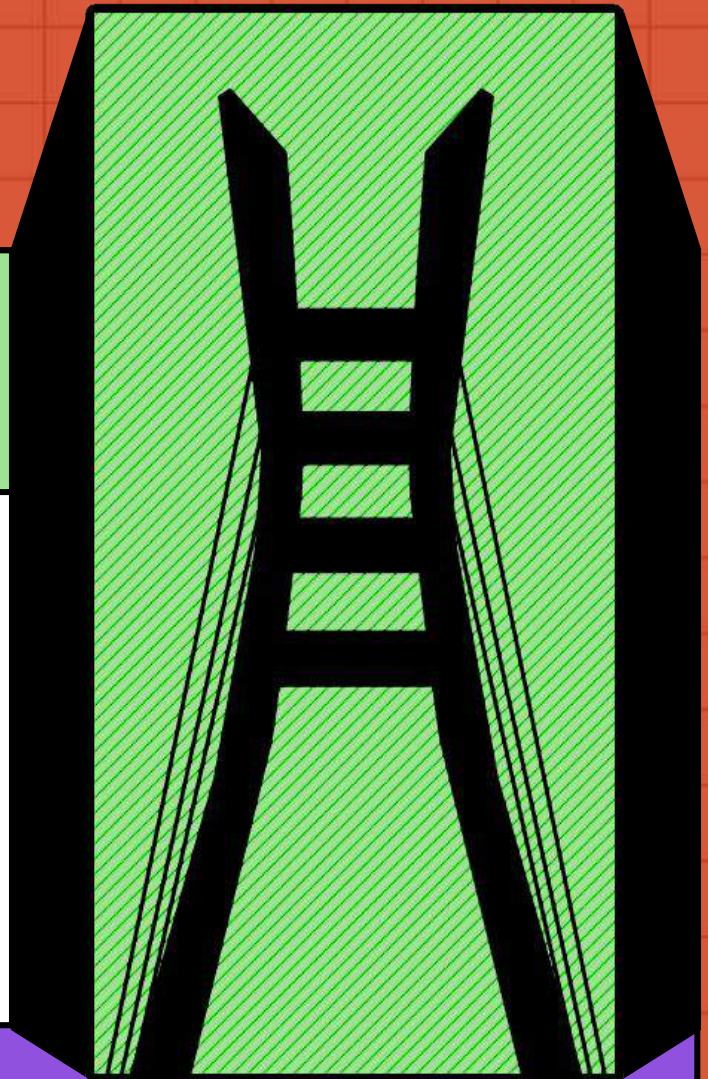




## Where to Visit in Lagos

After the curtains fall on Moonshot 2024, you can continue to explore Lagos by visiting luxurious Restaurants, Cafés, Spas, Art Galleries, and Museums of your choice within Lagos Island.

Not to worry, we also considered distance, as these places are close to the conference venue.



Visit our curated list of [restaurants and cafes](#).

Relax with our list of [spas](#).

Go back in time to Nigeria's culture and history with our [art galleries & museums](#).



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