**General information:** predominately *P. falciparum*. Extremely high transmission occurs throughout the year at altitudes below 2,000 m (6,600 ft). Altitudes above 2,000 m are subject to infrequent epidemics.

**Protective recommendations:**

Chemoprophylaxis is recommended for all travelers: altitudes below 2,000 m (see map), including all cities and towns, even for very short stays.

Chemoprophylaxis is recommended for certain travelers (see Issues to Consider inset): altitudes above 2,000 m (see map); all cities and towns within these areas.

**Protective measures:** Evening and nighttime insect precautions are essential in areas with any level of transmission. Some areas may only be accessible by transiting areas where chemoprophylaxis is recommended. Atovaquone/proguanil (Malarone or generic), doxycycline, and mefloquine are protective in this country. Effective antimalarial drugs may not be available in this country. Travelers staying longer than 3 weeks should consider carrying a treatment dose of co-artemether or atovaquone/proguanil in case their protective medicines fail (treatment dose should be administered under the supervision of a qualified local health care provider).

**Issues for Medical Providers to Consider**

Factors favoring chemoprophylaxis
- Adventure travel
- Risk-averse and vulnerable travelers
- Areas subject to infrequent epidemics
- Immigrants visiting friends and relatives
- Flexible itineraries
- Travel longer than 1 month
- Unreliable medical expertise and/or treatment drugs at destination

Factors against chemoprophylaxis
- Air-conditioned hotels only
- Urban areas only
- Non-transmission season
- Minimal nighttime exposure
- Travel shorter than 3 days

See the “Technical Explanation of Malaria Mapping” document for more information.

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