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### Kicking It in Cameroon

If you're wondering what chewy, coconut-flavored cookies have to do with Africa, you're probably thinking of the *macaroon*! Sorry, but this page is all about *Cameroon*, a country of 15 million inhabitants on the west coast of the African continent. While Cameroon might seem tiny compared to the United States (277 million people) or even the largest country in Africa (Nigeria, 113 million people), Cameroon is one of the greatest countries in the world when it comes to soccer.

The national team is called the "Indomitable Lions," and they have been to the World Cup, international soccer's most prestigious tournament, four times. Though the Lions have never won the World Cup (proving perhaps that they are domitable after all!), they have won the African Nations' Cup four times, including each of the last two championships in 2002 and 2004.

Culturally, Cameroon is considered an "Africa in miniature" because it is such a diverse place. French and English are the two official languages, however there are many other languages that are used. Each ethnic group has its own food, music, and traditions. The most famous kind of music in Cameroon is Makossa. That's what you'll hear if you go to a dance club. The food in Cameroon is quite delicious. If you're walking around and get hungry, you'll probably order some stuffed bread with a salad, and grilled chicken or fish. If you want dessert, you can try to find a macaroon, but good luck!

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