Somalia

US State Dept Travel Advisory
The US Department of State currently warns US citizens to NOT TRAVEL to this country due to crime, terrorism, civil unrest, health issues, kidnapping, and piracy. Consult its website via the link below for any updates to this advisory.

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

Passport/Visa Requirements
US citizens should make sure their passport is valid at the date of their entering the country and during the length of their entire visit. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for any entry stamp that will be required. A visa is not required.

US Embassy/Consulate
US citizens may call US Dept of State (202)-501-4444 for emergencies; alternate contact is the Embassy in Kenya [254] (20) 363-6000; US Embassy Nairobi, United Nations Avenue Nairobi, P. O. Box 606 Village Market, 00621 Nairobi, Kenya

Vaccinations
An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of yellow fever transmission and for travelers having transited through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. See WHO recommendations

http://www.who.int

Climate
Principally desert; northeast monsoon (December to February), moderate temperatures in north and hot in south; southwest monsoon (May to October), torrid in the north and hot in the south, irregular rainfall, hot and humid periods (tangambili) between monsoons

Currency (Code)
Somali shillings (SOS)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)
220 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): C

Major Languages
Somali, Arabic, Italian, English

Religions
Sunny Muslim

Time Difference
UTC+3 (8 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

Potable Water
Opt for bottled water.

International Driving Permit
Suggested

Road Driving Side
Right

Cultural Practices
The left hand is considered unclean and should not be used for shaking
hands.

**Telephone Code**

252

**Local Emergency Phone Numbers**

Local numbers only

Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

- **World Health Organization (WHO) - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination.** [http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)

**To obtain an international driving permit (IDP). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs:**

- **American Automobile Association (AAA) (www.aaa.com) and**
- **American Automobile Touring Alliance (AATA) (www.aataidp.com)**

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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