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Sri Lanka

US State Dept Travel Advisory
The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens consult its website daily via the link below for any travel advisories about visiting this country.

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

Passport/Visa Requirements
US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for any entry stamp and or visa that will be required. A visa is required. US citizens will need to get in touch with the country’s embassy or nearest consulate to obtain a visa prior to visiting the country.

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
Tropical monsoon; northeast monsoon (December to March); southwest monsoon (June to October)

Currency (Code)
Sri Lankan rupees (LKR)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)
230 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): D, G

Major Languages
Sinhala 87%, Tamil 28.5%, English 23.8%; note: shares sum to more than 100% because some respondents gave more than one answer on the census; English is commonly used in government and is referred to as the "link language" in the constitution

Religions
Buddhist 70.2%, Hindu 12.6%, Muslim 9.7%, Roman Catholic 6.1%, other Christian 1.3%, other 0.05%

Time Difference
UTC+5.5 (10.5 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

Potable Water
Opt for bottled water.

International Driving Permit
Suggested
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


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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