**Colombia**

**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](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 that will be required. A visa is not required as long as you do not stay in the country more than 89 days.

**US Embassy/Consulate**

[57] (1) 275-2000; US Embassy in Bogota, Carrera 45 No. 24B-27 Bogotá, D.C. Colombia

**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](http://www.who.int)

**Climate**

Tropical along coast and eastern plains; cooler in highlands

**Currency (Code)**

Pesos (COP)

**Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)**

110 V / 60 Hz / plug type(s): A, B

![Type A and Type B plugs](image)

**Major Languages**

Spanish

**Religions**

Predominantly Roman Catholic, Protestant

**Time Difference**

UTC-5 (same time as Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

**Potable Water**

Opt for bottled water.

**International Driving Permit**

Suggested; additionally, if you plan to drive in Colombia, you will need an Inter-American Driving Permit issued by the AAA

**Road Driving Side**

Right

**Cultural Practices**

Roses are well-received gifts in Colombia, but marigolds and lilies are disliked because of their association with funerals.

**Telephone Code**

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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](http://www.aaa.com)) and
- American Automobile Touring Alliance (AATA) ([www.aataidp.com](http://www.aataidp.com))

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

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