## Madagascar

### 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 3 blank pages in their passport for any entry stamp that will be required. A visa is required, but US citizen travelers may obtain the visa upon entering the country.

**US Embassy/Consulate**

+(261) (20) 23-480-00 (Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.); EMER: +(261) (20) 23-480-00; US Embassy Antananarivo, Lot 207 A, Point Liberty, Andranoro, Antehiroka, 105 Antananarivo, Madagascar

### Vaccinations

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for travelers who have been in a yellow fever endemic country within 6 months of arrival, for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of yellow fever transmission, or 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, temperate inland, arid in south

### Currency (Code)

Malagasy ariary (MGA)

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

220 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): C, E

![Type C and Type E plugs](image)

### Major Languages

French (official), Malagasy (official), English

### Religions

Christian, indigenous, 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 so try to avoid using it for gift giving
or introductions.

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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))
- 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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