Philippines

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 is valid at the date of their entering the country. 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 for stays under 30 days.

US Embassy/Consulate
[63] (2) 301-2000; US Embassy in Manila, 1201 Roxas Boulevard, Manila, Philippines 1000

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.

On 8 October 2019, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued a Travel Health Notice regarding a polio outbreak in the Philippines; CDC recommends that all travelers to the Philippines be vaccinated fully against polio; before traveling to the Philippines, adults who completed their routine polio vaccine series as children should receive a single, lifetime adult booster dose of polio vaccine. See WHO recommendations.

http://www.who.int

Climate
Tropical marine; northeast monsoon (November to April); southwest monsoon (May to October)

Currency (Code)
Philippine pesos (PHP)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)
220 V / 60 Hz / plug type(s): A, B, C

Major Languages
Filipino (based on Tagalog) and English; eight major dialects - Tagalog, Cebuano, Ilocano, Hiligaynon or Ilonggo, Bicol, Waray, Pampango, and Pangasinan

Religions
Roman Catholic 80.6%, Protestant 8.2%, other Christians 3.4%, Muslim 5.6%, tribal religions .2%, other 1.9%, none .1%

Time Difference
UTC+8 (13 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)
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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) 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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