**Russia**

**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. Global Health Advisory: Do Not Travel. Avoid all international travel due to the global impact of COVID-19

[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 2 blank pages 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.

**US Embassy/Consulate**

[7] (495) 728-5000; US Embassy Moscow, Bolshoy Deviatinsky, Pereulok No. 8, Moscow 121099, Russian Federation

**Vaccinations**

See WHO recommendations

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

**Climate**

Ranges from steppes in the south through humid continental in much of European Russia; subarctic in Siberia to tundra climate in the polar north; winters vary from cool along Black Sea coast to frigid in Siberia; summers vary from warm in the steppes to cool along Arctic coast

**Currency (Code)**

Russian rubles (RUB)

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

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

![Type C](image) ![Type F](image)

**Major Languages**

Russian 85.7%, Tatar 3.2%, Chechen 1%, other 10.1%

**Religions**

Russian Orthodox 15-20%, Muslim 10-15%, other Christian 2%, note: estimates are of practicing worshipers; Russia has large populations of non-practicing believers and non-believers, a legacy of over seven decades of official atheism under Soviet rule; Russia officially recognizes Orthodox Christianity, Islam, Judaism, and Buddhism as the country's traditional religions

**Time Difference**

UTC+3 (8 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); note: Russia has 11 time zones, the largest number of contiguous time zones of any country in the world; in 2014, two time zones were added and daylight saving time dropped
Potable Water  Opt for bottled water.
International Driving Permit Suggested
Road Driving Side Right
Cultural Practices Leaving a small amount of food on your plate indicates that your host has provided ample hospitality.
Telephone Code 7
Local Emergency Phone Numbers 112

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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