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## **Uganda**

**US State Dept Travel Advisory** 

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens RECONSIDER TRAVEL to Uganda due to crime and terrorism. Consult its website via the link below for updates to travel advisories and statements on safety, security, local laws and special circumstances in 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 each entry stamp/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

+(256)256-414-259791; U S Embassy Kampala, 1577 Ggaba Road, Kampala, Uganda; KampalaUScitizen@state.gov; https://ug.usembassy.gov/

256 **Telephone Code** 

**Local Emergency Phone** 

**Vaccinations** 

112 (cell phone), 999 (fixed)

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. Polio vaccination (for children under 5); see WHO recommendations.

http://www.who.int

**Climate** Tropical; generally rainy with two dry seasons (December to February, June to

August); semiarid in northeast

**Currency (Code)** Ugandan shillings (UGX)

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

240 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): G



**Major Languages** English, Ganda or Luganda, other Niger-Congo languages, Nilo-Saharan languages,

Swahili, Arabic

**Religions** Protestant 45.1%, Roman Catholic 39.3%, Muslim 13.7%

**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 Left

**Tourist destinations** Bwindi Impenetrable National Park; Kibale Forest National Park; Queen Elizabeth

National Park; Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary; Murchison Falls National Park; Tombs of

Bugana Kings; Uganda Wildlife Conservation Center

Major Sports Soccer, rugby, basketball, athletics (track and field), boxing

**Cultural Practices** Walking over pots, especially those containing food, is considered very rude.

**Tipping Guidelines** It is not customary to tip for service in hotels and bars. It is common to tip your

driver and guide on a safari or hike, as well as the porter and cook that

accompanies the group. Conventionally, \$10-20 (USD) per person per day would be

a fair benchmark.

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

<u>US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens.</u> <u>https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html</u>

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)

How to get help in an emergency? Contact the nearest US embassy or consulate, or call one of these numbers:

from the US or Canada - 1-888-407-4747 or from Overseas - +1 202-501-4444

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