Travel Facts

US State Dept Travel Advisor

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise increased caution in Greenland due to COVID-19. Consultits 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



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 the stay is less than 90 days.

US Embassy/Consulate

None (self-governing overseas administrative division of Denmark); +(45) 3341-7100; EMER: +(45) 3341-7400; US Embassy Copenhagen, Dag Hammarskjöld's Ale 24, 2100 Copenhagen, Denmark

LGBTQ+ Travelers

When venturing abroad, LGBTQIA+ travelers can face unique challenges since laws, attitudes, and legal protections vary from country to country. Consult the website via the link below to learn what precautions to take before and during your trip. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/lgbtqi.html

Telephone Code

299

Local Emergency Phone

112

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Greenland: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, rabies, meningitis, polio, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis), chickenpox, shingles, pneumonia and influenza. http://www.who.int/

Climate

Arctic to subarctic; cool summers, cold winters

Currency (Code)

Danish kroner (DKK)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): C, E, F, K



Major Languages

Greenlandic (West Greenlandic or Kalaallisut is the official language), Danish, English

Major Religions

Evangelical Lutheran, traditional Inuit spiritual beliefs

Time Difference

UTC-3 (2 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1hr, begins last Sunday in March; ends last Sunday in October; note: Greenland has four time zones



Yes

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Right



Tourist Destinations

Ilulissat Icefjord & Jakobshavn Glacier; Ilulissat Museum; Nuuk Art Museum; Kangerdlugssup Glacier; Qagortoq

Major Sports

Soccer, track and field, handball, skiing

Cultural Practices

While eating in Greenland, it is customary to keep one's hands visible even when resting. So wrists are often laid on the table.

Tipping Guidelines

All prices include tips and gratuity, but you may round up for good service.

Souvenirs

Bone, antler, or soapstone carvings; gemstones including tugtupite; bead and pendant necklaces; beauty products; leather goods; local berry, meat, and fish items

Traditional Cuisine

Suaasat — a soup made from seal, whale, reindeer, or seabirds, often including onions and potatoes, and seasoned with salt and pepper or bay leaf; the soup is often thickened with rice or by soaking barley in the water overnight

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