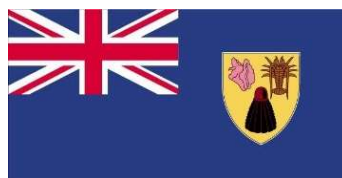


Turks and Caicos Islands



Travel Facts

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise increased caution in the Turks and Caicos Islands due to crime. 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

For the latest passport and visa requirements for this country, please consult the U.S. State Department's "Learn About Your Destination" search tool, available through the link below.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages.html>

US Embassy/Consulate

None (overseas territory of the UK); US citizens may call US Dept of State (202)-501-4444 for emergencies; alternate contact is the Embassy in The Bahamas [1] (242) 322-1181, 328-2206 (after hours); US Embassy Nassau, 42 Queen St., Nassau, The Bahamas; acsnassau@state.gov; <https://bs.usembassy.gov/>

Types of Travelers

Additional travel considerations can be found on the US Dept of State International Travel page.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html>

Telephone Code

649

Local Emergency Phone

999, 911

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for the Turks and Caicos Islands: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, typhoid, rabies, meningitis, polio, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis), chickenpox, shingles, pneumonia, COVID-19, and influenza.

<http://www.who.int/>

Climate

Tropical; marine; moderated by trade winds; sunny and relatively dry

Currency (Code)

Dollar (USD)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

120 V / 60 Hz / plug types(s): A, B



Type A



Type B

Major Languages

English

Major Religions

Protestant 72.8%, Roman Catholic 11.4%, Jehovah's Witness 1.8%

Time Difference

UTC-5 (same time as Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

Potable Water

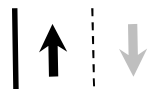
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International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Left



Tourist Destinations

Crossing Place trail hike; Mudjin Harbour; Pine Cay; Salt Cay; Conch Bar Caves National Park; Grand Turk Lighthouse; Turks & Caicos National Museum

Major Sports

Soccer, sailing

Cultural Practices

Turks and Caicos are home to friendly and welcoming locals, so it's important to show them respect and avoid any behavior that could be considered offensive.

Tipping Guidelines

Check your bill to see if a 10% service charge has been added. If so, you may supplement it by 5% or even more if service was outstanding. If no service charge has been added, then tip as you would in the US, about 15%. Be aware that when a large party dines together, a hefty service fee may be added at the end. Taxi drivers expect about a 10% tip.

Souvenirs

Handmade baskets and plaited straw hats, hand-screened cloth, ocean-themed wood carvings including wooden boats and models, conch shell items, sea glass and other beaded jewelry, wind chimes, rum, ceramics

Traditional Cuisine

Cracked Conch — conch meat pounded with a meat tenderizer, seasoned, coated in a flour batter, and then deep fried

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