Libya **Travel Facts**





US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens DO NOT TRAVEL to Libya due to crime, terrorism, civil unrest, kidnapping, and armed conflict. 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

Please direct inquiries regarding US citizens in Libya to LibyaEmergencyUSC@state.gov; US Embassy in Tripoli is closed, contact the Libya External Office at the US Embassy in Tunis; [216] 71 107-000; Les Berges du Lac, 1053 Tunis; LibyaACS@state.gov; https://ly.usembassy.gov/

LGBTQIA+, Women, and Special Needs Travelers

Additional travel considerations can be found on the U.S. State Department's International Travel page. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations.html

Telephone Code

218

Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance 193, Fire/Police 1515

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Libya: 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

Mediterranean along coast; dry, extreme desert interior

Currency (Code)

Libyan dinars (LYD)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): C, L



Type L

Major Languages Arabic, Italian, English, Berber

Major Religions Muslim (virtually all Sunni), Christian, Buddhist

Time Difference UTC+2 (7 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

Potable Water

Opt for bottled water

International Driving Permit Suggested

Road Driving Side Right



Tourist Destinations

Tadrart Acacus; Cyrene; Leptis Magna; Old Town Ghadames; Sabratha; Tripoli (includes Arch of Marcus Aurelius, Red Castle Museum)

Major Sports

Soccer

Cultural Practices

Libyans value courtesy. It is considered rude to criticize another person directly or to discuss family matters in public.

Tipping Guidelines

A service charge of 10-20% is customary on restaurant and hotel bills.

Souvenirs

Ghadames slippers, blended oils/perfumes, stamps, gold jewelry inlaid with precious stones, leather goods, handloomed rugs, pottery, stringed musical instruments, copperware, palm leaf baskets

Traditional Cuisine

Cuscus Bil-Bosla — couscous cooked with lamb, chickpeas, potatoes, and tomatoes



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