

# Travel Facts



## US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens Reconsider travel to the Macau SAR due to a limited ability to provide emergency consular services. Exercise increased caution when traveling to the Macau SAR due to the arbitrary enforcement of local laws. Consult its website via the link below for updates to travel advisories and statements on safety, security, local laws, and special circumstances in Macau. <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 1 month 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 you do not stay in the country more than 30 days.

## US Embassy/Consulate

US has no offices in Macau; US Consulate General in Hong Kong is accredited to Macau; US citizens may call US Dept of State (202)-501-4444 for emergencies; alternate contact is the Consulate General in Hong Kong [852] 2523-9011; US Consulate General in Hong Kong, 26 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong

## 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

853

## Local Emergency Phone

999

## Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Macau: 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

Subtropical; marine with cool winters, warm summers

## Currency (Code)

Macanese Pataca (MOP)

## Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

220 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): G



Type G

## Major Languages

Cantonese, Mandarin, other Chinese dialects, Tagalog, English, Portuguese

## Major Religions

Folk religion, Buddhist, and Christian

## Time Difference

UTC+8 (13 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

## Potable Water

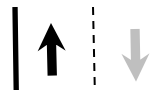
Opt for bottled water

## International Driving Permit

Suggested

## Road Driving Side

Left



## Tourist Destinations

Fortaleza do Monte; Maritime Museum & Fisherman's Wharf; Macau Tower; Giant Panda Pavilion; Guia Fortress; Coloane Island & Hac Sa Beach; Taipa Island & Taipa House; Senado (Senate) Square; Ruins of Saint Paul's

## Major Sports

Soccer, volleyball, basketball, dragon boat racing

## Cultural Practices

Macau is an autonomous territory within China. A Portuguese colony until 1999, Macau has a diverse culture firmly rooted in Cantonese culture, with a mix of influences from East Asia and Western Europe. Macau is known for being the largest gambling center in the world.

## Tipping Guidelines

A 10% service charge is usually included in most restaurants, but you can leave coins if paying with cash or round up the amount you wish to tip if paying by credit card. If a service charge is not included, you can leave 5-10% of the bill for good service. Round up taxi fares to the nearest dollar amount. Tip bellhops \$1-2 (USD) per piece of luggage carried. Hotel staff, except bellhops, do not expect tips.

## Souvenirs

Jewelry/watches, traditional silk robes; Chinese-inspired paintings; jade statues, and tea sets

## Traditional Cuisine

Minchee — minced or ground beef or pork flavored with molasses and soy sauce and served with a fried egg on top

