Libya

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. Reconsider travel to Libya due to COVID-19. 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 2 blank pages in their passport for any entry stamp 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

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/

Telephone Code

218

Local Emergency Phone

193, 1515

Vaccinations

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. See WHO recommendations.

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 type(s): C, L

Major Languages

Arabic, Italian, English, Berber

Religions

Muslim (virtually all Sunni) 96.6%, Christian 2.7%, Buddhist 0.3%
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<th><strong>Time Difference</strong></th>
<th>UTC+2 (7 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)</th>
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<td><strong>Potable Water</strong></td>
<td>Opt for bottled water.</td>
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<td><strong>International Driving Permit</strong></td>
<td>Suggested</td>
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<td><strong>Road Driving Side</strong></td>
<td>Right</td>
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<td><strong>Tourist destinations</strong></td>
<td>Tadrart Acacus; Cyrene; Leptis Magna; Old Town Ghadames; Sabratha; Tripoli (includes Arch of Marcus Aurelius, Red Castle Museum)</td>
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<td><strong>Major Sports</strong></td>
<td>Soccer</td>
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<td><strong>Cultural Practices</strong></td>
<td>When invited to a home, it is common to be offered coffee or tea, and it is polite to accept this offer.</td>
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<td><strong>Tipping Guidelines</strong></td>
<td>A service charge of 10-20% is customary on restaurant and hotel bills.</td>
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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](http://www.who.int)
- **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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