Germany

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens DO NOT TRAVEL to Germany due to COVID-19. Exercise increased caution in Germany due to terrorism. 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 not required as long as you do not stay in the country more than 89 days.

US Embassy/Consulate


Telephone Code

49

Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance and Fire: 112; Police: 110

Vaccinations

See WHO recommendations

http://www.who.int

Climate

Temperate, and marine; cool, cloudy, wet winters and summers; occasionally warm mountain (foehn) wind

Currency (Code)

Euros (EUR)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): C, F

Major Languages

German

Religions

Roman Catholic 27.7%, Protestant 25.5%, Muslim 5.1%, Orthodox 1.9%

Time Difference

UTC+1 (6 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1hr, begins last Sunday in March, ends last Sunday in October

Potable Water

Yes
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<th><strong>International Driving Permit</strong></th>
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<td><strong>Road Driving Side</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Tourist destinations</strong></td>
<td>Brandenburg Gate; Cologne Cathedral; Black Forest; Neuschwanstein Castle; Miniatur Wunderland &amp; Historic Port of Hamburg; Heidelberg; Dresden; Nuremberg; Munich; Saxon Switzerland State Park; Rhine Valley; Berlin's Museum Island; Rothenburg and the Romantic Road</td>
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<td><strong>Major Sports</strong></td>
<td>Soccer, handball, basketball, ice hockey, volleyball</td>
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<td><strong>Cultural Practices</strong></td>
<td>Punctuality is considered a virtue in Germany. It is polite to telephone and let your host know if you will be more than 15 minutes late.</td>
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<td><strong>Tipping Guidelines</strong></td>
<td>Round up the bill in a restaurant. If the service is particularly good, you may add a few euros and/or leave a 5-10% tip. Tip taxi drivers 5-10% of the total fare. Tip porters 1-2 euros per bag. Leave 1-2 euros for housekeeping per night.</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](http://www.aaa.com)) and

American Automobile Touring Alliance (AATA) ([www.aataidp.com](http://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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