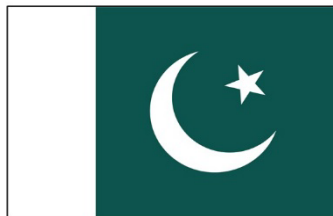


Pakistan

Travel Facts



US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens Reconsider Travel to Pakistan due to terrorism. Some areas have increased risk. 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 and or visa 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

[92] (51) 201-5000/ [92] (51) 201-4000; US Embassy in Islamabad, Diplomatic Enclave, Ramna 5, Islamabad, Pakistan; ACSIslamabad@state.gov; <https://pk.usembassy.gov/>

LGBTQ+ Travelers

When venturing abroad, LGBTQ+ 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

92

Local Emergency Phone

15

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. Polio vaccination within one year before travel may be required to exit Pakistan.

Note: Before any international travel, anyone unvaccinated, incompletely vaccinated, or with an unknown polio vaccination status should complete the routine polio vaccine series. See WHO recommendations. <http://www.who.int/>

Climate

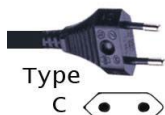
Mostly hot, dry desert; temperate in northwest; arctic in north

Currency (Code)

Pakistani rupees (PKR)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

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



Type C



Type D

Major Languages

Punjabi, Sindhi, Pashto, Urdu, Balochi, Hindko, English

Potable Water

Opt for bottled water

Major Sports

Cricket, field hockey, squash, soccer, polo

Major Religions

Muslim (official) 96.5% (Sunni 85-90%, Shia 10-15%), other (includes Christian and Hindu) 3.5%

Time Difference

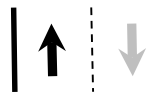
UTC+5 (10 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Left



Tourist Destinations

Islamabad (includes Pakistan Monument Museum, Faisal Mosque); Naltar Valley & Lakes; Neelum Valley; Skardu; Gojal Valley; Deosai National Park; Lahore (includes Badshahi Mosque, Lahore Fort, Shalimar Gardens); Hunza Valley (includes Baltit Fort); Mohenjo daro

Cultural Practices

It's polite to graciously accept tea and refreshments served in social situations. People wait for elders to sit down and begin before eating. Pakistanis will often use their hands to eat rather than cutlery.

Tipping Guidelines

Tipping about 30-50 rupees at local restaurants is greatly appreciated. It is best to tip hotel staff directly or leave small change on the table of your hotel room. Taxis do not usually expect a tip.

Souvenirs

Shawls, carpets, onyx and other gemstones and jewelry, inlaid wood furniture and crafts

Traditional Cuisine

Chicken Biryani — a rice dish layered with curried chicken, herbs, biryani spices (including curry, turmeric, allspice, and cardamom), and sometimes potatoes or eggs

