Jordan

Travel Facts





US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens Exercise increased caution in Jordan due to terrorism. Some areas have increased risk.

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

[962] (6) 590-6000; US Embassy in Amman, Abdoun, Al-Umawyeen St., Amman – Jordan; Amman-ACS@state.gov; https://jo.usembassv.gov/

Disabled Travelers

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/traveling-with-special-conside disabilties.html

LGBTQ+ Travelers

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/lgbtqi.html

Women Travelers

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/womentravelers.html

Telephone Code

962

Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 191; Fire: 193; Police: 192

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Jordan: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, typhoid, yellow fever, rabies, anthrax, meningitis, polio, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis), chickenpox, shingles, pneumonia, influenza, and COVID-19. http://www.who.int/

Climate

Mostly arid desert; rainy season in west (November to April)

Currency (Code)

Jordanian dinars (JOD)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

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



Type C









Type G Type F

Type J

Major Languages

Arabic, English (widely understood among upper and middle classes)

Type D

Major Religions

Muslim (predominantly Sunni), Christian (majority Greek Orthodox), Buddhist, Hindu

Time Difference

UTC+2 (7 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1hr, begins last Friday in March, ends last Friday in October

Potable Water

Yes, but many opt for bottled water

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Right

Tourist Destinations

Amman; Petra; Al-Maghtas; Jerash; Dead Sea; Mujib Nature Reserve

Major Sports

Soccer, rugby, basketball, handball, volleyball

Cultural Practices

Handshakes are very common in Jordan, even in less formal interactions. Don't be surprised if even casual contact includes a handshake.

Tipping Guidelines

Tipping is not expected, but it is always appreciated. Leaving 10% at a restaurant is sufficient. For bellhops and hotel maids, around \$2 (USD) per day is considered appropriate.

Souvenirs

Decorated sand bottles, hand woven rugs, water pipe musical instruments, kefiya headscarves, pottery, camel themed items

Traditional Cuisine

Mansaf — a dish made of lamb cooked in a sauce of fermented dried yogurt and served with rice or bulgur

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