Macau

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.

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html



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 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

LGBTQIA+, Women, and Special Needs Travelers

Additional travel considerations can be found on the U.S. State Department's International Travel page.

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

Telephone Code

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, influenza, COVID-19. 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)



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



