

## Ethiopia

### US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens **Do not travel to Ethiopia due to armed conflict, civil unrest, communications disruptions, crime, and the potential for terrorism and kidnapping in border areas. 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 1 blank page 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

[251] 11 130-6000; US Embassy in Addis Ababa; Entoto Street, PO Box 1014, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia; <https://et.usembassy.gov/>; AddisACS@state.gov

### Telephone Code

251

### Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 92; Fire: 93; Police: 91

### 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

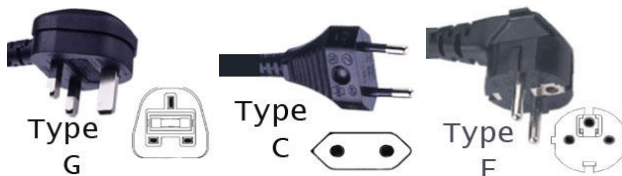
Tropical monsoon with wide topographically-induced variation

### Currency (Code)

Birr (ETB)

### Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

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



### Major Languages

Oromo, Amharic, Somali, Tigrigna, Sidamo, Wolaytta, Gurage, Afar, Hadiyya, Gamo, Gedeo, Opuuo, Kafa, English, Arabic

### Religions

Ethiopian Orthodox 43.8%, Muslim 31.3%, Protestant 22.8%, Catholic 0.7%, traditional .6%

### Time Difference

UTC+3 (8 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

<b>Potable Water</b>	Opt for bottled water.
<b>International Driving Permit</b>	A temporary license from a local authority is recommended. An IDP is not recognized.
<b>Road Driving Side</b>	Right
<b>Tourist destinations</b>	Addis Ababa (includes Imperial Palace, St. George's Cathedral, Holy Trinity Cathedral); Axum (Aksum); Bahir Dar; Harar Jugol; Gondar (includes Fasil Ghebbi); Simien Mountains
<b>Major Sports</b>	Track and Field, soccer, basketball
<b>Cultural Practices</b>	It is customary to bow when introduced to an elder or respected person. Elders are also usually introduced first when making new acquaintances.
<b>Tipping Guidelines</b>	A 10-15% tip is normal for good service at restaurants and in bars. Tip \$1 (USD) per bag for bellhops who carry luggage to your room and \$1-2 (USD) per day for hotel staff.

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)

[US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html)

[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 \(ATA\) \(www.aataidp.com\)](http://www.aaa.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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