

## Greece

### US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens **DO NOT TRAVEL** to Greece due to **COVID-19**. 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 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

[30] (210) 721-2951; US Embassy in Athens, 91 Vasilisis Sophias Avenue, 10160 Athens, Greece; <https://gr.usembassy.gov/>; [athensamericancitizenservices@state.gov](mailto:athensamericancitizenservices@state.gov)

### Telephone Code

30

### Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 112, 166; Fire: 112, 199; Police: 112, 100

### Vaccinations

See WHO recommendations

<http://www.who.int>

### Climate

Temperate; mild, wet winters; hot, dry summers

### Currency (Code)

Euros (EUR)

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

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



### Major Languages

Greek, English, French

### Religions

Greek Orthodox 81 - 90%, Muslim 2%

### Time Difference

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

### Potable Water

Opt for bottled water.

### International Driving Permit

Suggested

<b>Road Driving Side</b>	Right
<b>Tourist destinations</b>	Acropolis in Athens; Santorini; Mykonos; Delphi; Corfu beaches; Meteora Monasteries; Mycenae & Tiryns; Delos
<b>Major Sports</b>	Soccer, athletics (track and field), basketball, water polo
<b>Cultural Practices</b>	The host often gives the first toast at Greek meals, but an honored guest should return the favor later on in the evening.
<b>Tipping Guidelines</b>	Check the bill first to see if a service charge has already been added. If not, round up to the nearest euro, or tip 5-10% of the final bill for exceptional service. Round up taxi fares. Tip porters 1-2 euros per bag and leave housekeeping 1-2 euros per day.

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 \(AATA\) \(www.aataidp.com\)](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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