

Norway

Travel Facts



US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise normal precautions in Norway. 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 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

[47] 21-30-85-40; US Embassy in Oslo, Morgedalsvegen 36, 0378 Oslo, Norway; OsloACS@state.gov; <https://no.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

47

Local Emergency Phone

112, 110

Vaccinations

See WHO recommendations. <http://www.who.int/>

Climate

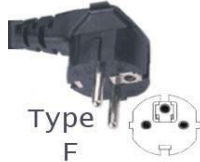
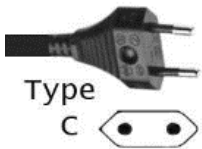
Temperate along coast, modified by North Atlantic Current; colder interior with increased precipitation and colder summers; rainy year-round on west coast

Currency (Code)

Norwegian kroner (NOK)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

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



Major Languages

Bokmal Norwegian, Nynorsk Norwegian, small Sami- and Finnish-speaking minorities

Major Religions

Church of Norway (Evangelical Lutheran - official) 68.1%, Muslim 3.4%, Roman Catholic 3.1%, other Christian 3.8%

Time Difference

UTC+1 (6 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1hr, begins last Sunday in March, ends last Sunday in October

Potable Water

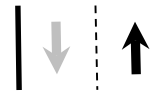
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International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Right



Tourist Destinations

Sognefjord; Pulpit Rock; Oslo (includes National Theater, Bygdoy, Viking Ships Museum, Akershus Fortress), Tromsø; Lofoten Islands; Bergen Hanseatic Warf

Major Sports

Soccer, winter sports (biathlon, cross-country skiing, ski jumping, speed skating), ice hockey, handball

Cultural Practices

Honesty and politeness are core values, and people expect each other to ask nicely if they want something. Greetings are casual, with a firm handshake, direct eye contact, and a smile.

Tipping Guidelines

Tipping is not required. It is, however, customary to leave a tip in restaurants and bars if you are happy with the service. A 10-20% tip is the norm. It is uncommon to tip taxi drivers or cleaning staff at hotels.

Souvenirs

Wool-knit sweaters and socks, jewelry and watches; wood-carved ornaments, toys, and decorative items; ceramics, moose- and troll-themed items

Traditional Cuisine

Farikal — mutton-pieces-with-bone, cabbage, salt, and whole black pepper cooked together for several hours in a big pot, until the mutton becomes very soft

