

Azerbaijan

Travel Facts



US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise increased caution in Azerbaijan due to terrorism concerns and areas of armed conflict. 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

[994] (12) 488-3300; US Embassy in Baku, 111 Azadlig Avenue, AZ1007 Baku Azerbaijan; <https://az.usembassy.gov/>; BakuACS@state.gov

LGBTQIA+, Women, and Travelers with Special Needs

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.html>

Telephone Code

994

Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 03; Fire: 01; Police: 02

Vaccinations

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

Climate

Dry, semiarid steppe

Currency (Code)

Manats (AZN)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

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



Type C



Type F

Major Languages

Azerbaijani, Russian, Armenian

Major Religions

Muslim (predominantly Shia), Christian

Time Difference

UTC+4 (9 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

Potable Water

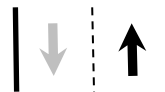
Opt for bottled water

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Right



Tourist Destinations

Baku (includes Icheri Seher (Old Town); Absheron National Park; mud volcanos; Naftalan Oil Resort; Gobustan National Park (includes rock art cultural landscape); Caspian Sea

Major Sports

Soccer, paragliding, rugby, volleyball

Cultural Practices

The family forms the basic social structure in Azerbaijan. Men greet each other with a handshake, a kiss on the cheek and "salaam" (literally 'peace' but meaning 'hello'). Males should wait and see if a woman extends her hand (although most will the more religious may not) - if they do shake it lightly.

Tipping Guidelines

Tipping is unusual but can be done for exceptional service. For cabs, it is polite to round up the fare and give the change as a tip. Hotel porters may be tipped 5-10 manats. Tour guides also accept tips, generally a round 5 manats.

Souvenirs

Handmade carpets, pottery, ceramics, caviar, silk items

Traditional Cuisine

Plov — rice covered with saffron, cinnamon, aromatic herbs, and fried mutton, chicken, beef, or lamb, as well as vegetables and even dried fruits

May 2024

