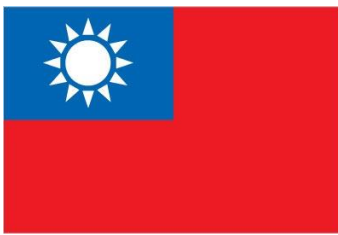


# Taiwan

## Travel Facts



### US State Department Travel Advisory

The US State Department currently recommends US citizens exercise normal precautions in Taiwan. <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 US 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

The US does not have an embassy in Taiwan; commercial and cultural relations with the people of Taiwan are maintained through an unofficial instrumentality, the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT), a private nonprofit corporation that performs citizen and consular services; telephone [886] 7-335-5006; FAX [886] 7-338-0551; American Institute in Taiwan, Tel: (+886) (02) 2162-2000; No. 100, Jinhu Road, Neihu District 11461, Taipei City, Taiwan; TaipeiACS@state.gov; <https://www.ait.org.tw/>

### LGBTQIA+, Women, and Special Needs Travelers

Additional travel considerations can be found on the US 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

886

### Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 119; Fire: 119; Police: 110

### Vaccinations

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

### Climate

Tropical; marine; rainy season during southwest monsoon (June to August); persistent and extensive cloudiness all year

### Currency (Code)

New Taiwan dollars (TWD)

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

110 V / 60 Hz / plug types(s): A, B



Type A



Type B

### Major Languages

Mandarin Chinese, Taiwanese (Min Nan), Hakka dialects, approximately 16 indigenous languages

### Major Religions

Buddhist, Taoist, Christian

### Time Difference

UTC+8 (13 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

### Potable Water

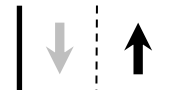
Opt for bottled water

### International Driving Permit

Suggested

### Road Driving Side

Right



### Tourist Destinations

Taipei (includes Taipei 101, Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall, Longshan Temple, National Palace Museum, Shilin Night Market); Yangmingshan National Park; Chimei Museum; Kenting Street; Fo Guang Shan Buddha Museum

### Major Sports

Baseball, soccer, basketball, golf, softball

### Cultural Practices

Respect for elders is considered vital, as is loyalty toward the family. Eating is a central part of the culture, and people in Taiwan are proud of their cuisine. At home, meals bring the family together and last longer than in many other societies.

### Tipping Guidelines

A service charge of 10-15% is typically added in restaurants. Taxis do not require a tip.

### Souvenirs

Jade jewelry and other jade items; coral, agate, and other precious stone jewelry and decorative items; bamboo items; hand-tailored clothing; Seagrass items; glass figurines; ceramics/pottery; Chinese musical instruments; traditional dolls in costumes; hand-painted palace lanterns; lacquerware; teak furniture; replica antiques; teas; beauty products

### Traditional Cuisine

Beef Noodle Soup — a soup made with beef, broth, vegetables, noodles, and spices and often served with seaweed and braised dried tofu

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