

Moldova

Travel Facts



US State Department Travel Advisory

The US State Department currently recommends US citizens exercise increased caution while traveling to Moldova due to unresolved conflict between the breakaway region of Transnistria and the central government.

<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

+(373)(22) 40-83-00; US Embassy Chisinau, 103 Mateevici Street, Chisinau MD-2009, Republic of Moldova; ChisinauACS@state.gov; <https://md.usembassy.gov/>

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

373

Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 903; Fire: 901; Police: 902

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Moldova: hepatitis A, polio, tick-borne encephalitis, rabies, hepatitis B, influenza, COVID-19, pneumonia, meningitis, chickenpox, shingles, Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis) and measles, mumps and rubella (MMR).

<https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list>

Climate

Moderate winters, warm summers

Currency (Code)

Moldovan lei (MDL)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

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



Type C



Type F

Major Languages

Moldovan/Romanian, Russian, Gagauz, Ukrainian, Bulgarian

Major Religions

Orthodox, other Christian, other, agnostic, atheist, unspecified

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

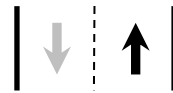
Opt for bottled water

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Right



Tourist Destinations

Orheiul Vechi complex; Saharna Monastery; Milestii Mici Wine Cellar; Chisinau; Republic of Transnistria & Tiraspol

Major Sports

Soccer, rugby, basketball, cycling

Cultural Practices

Moldovans are for the most part polite and friendly, and tend to go out of their way to accommodate foreigners. In the more rural areas, there is a social stigma attached to women smokers.

Tipping Guidelines

A service charge is often included in restaurant bills, but a further 5-10% is expected. Tips are not customary for taxis, but are appreciated.

Souvenirs

Woodworking crafts, straw- and wool-knitted items, ceramics, traditional costumes, handmade carpets, wine/brandy

Traditional Cuisine

Mămăligă cu brânză și smântână! – Polenta with Cheese and Sour Cream.

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