

# Italy

## Travel Facts



### US State Department Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise increased caution due to terrorism. <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

(+39) 06-4674-1; US Embassy Rome, via Vittorio Veneto 121, 00187 Roma, Italy; [uscitizenrome@state.gov](mailto:uscitizenrome@state.gov);

<https://it.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

39

### Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 112, 118; Fire: 112, 115; Police: 112, 113

### Vaccinations

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

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

### Climate

Predominantly Mediterranean; alpine in far north; hot, dry in south

### Currency (Code)

Euros (EUR)

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

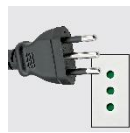
230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): C, F, L



Type C



Type F



Type L

### Major Languages

Italian, German, French, Slovene

### Major Religions

Christian (overwhelmingly Roman Catholic with very small groups of Jehovah's Witnesses and Protestants), Muslim

### 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

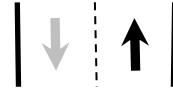
Yes, but some opt for bottled water

### International Driving Permit

Suggested

### Road Driving Side

Right



### Tourist Destinations

Rome (includes Colosseum, Trevi Fountain, Pantheon, Castel Sant'Angelo, Roman Forum); Venice Canals; Pompeii; Leaning Tower of Pisa; Lake Como; Florence (includes Ponte Vecchio, Cathedral, Uffizi Gallery); Sicily; Mount Vesuvius; Amalfi Coast; Hadrian's Villa; Milan (includes Cathedral, La Scala)

### Major Sports

Soccer, basketball, rugby, cycling, water polo

### Cultural Practices

It is common for Italian friends and families to kiss on the cheek when they meet, irrespective of their gender. Dress neatly and respectfully.

### Tipping Guidelines

A service charge, ranging from 1-3 euros, is sometimes added to a restaurant bill, but you can round up for good service. Tip a bartender 1 euro for a round of drinks. Tipping in hotels is not required, but always appreciated. It is appropriate to tip a porter 5 euros, the concierge 1-2 euros (if they provided a service), and housekeeping between 75 cents to 1.5 euros per day. Round up taxi fares.

### Souvenirs

Leather goods, designer fashion, artwork, ceramics and pottery, wine and liqueurs, olive oil, cheese, pasta, crystal and blown-glass items

### Traditional Cuisine

Pasta dishes; pizza

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