

Singapore

Travel Facts



US State Department Travel Advisory

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

<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

[65] 6476-9100; US Embassy Singapore, 27 Napier Road, Singapore 258508; singaporeusembassy@state.gov;

<https://sg.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

65

Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 995; Fire: 995; Police: 999

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Singapore: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, typhoid, yellow fever, 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; hot, humid, rainy; two distinct monsoon seasons - northeastern monsoon (December to March) and southwestern monsoon (June to September); inter-monsoon - frequent afternoon and early evening thunderstorms

Currency (Code)

Singapore dollars (SGD)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): G



Type G

Major Languages

English, Mandarin, other Chinese dialects, Malay, Tamil

Major Religions

Buddhist, Christian, Muslim

Time Difference

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

Potable Water

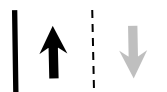
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International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Left



Tourist Destinations

Marina Bay Sands; Gardens by the Bay; Singapore Botanic Gardens; Singapore Zoo; Orchard Road; Singapore Flyer; Jurong Bird Park; Raffles Hotel; Tooth Relic Temple; National Orchid Gardens

Major Sports

Soccer, badminton, rugby, cricket, swimming, basketball

Cultural Practices

Spitting or littering in public is both frowned upon and illegal. It is common for Singaporeans to reserve their seats in a public setting by placing a packet of tissues or their umbrella on the seat. Punctuality is common and expected.

Tipping Guidelines

Despite restaurants including a service charge, it is standard to tip 10%. Hand wait staff cash directly while thanking them for their service. Round up taxi fares. Tip bellhops 1-2 Singapore dollars per bag.

Souvenirs

Merlion-themed figurines, gold-plated orchid jewelry, Tiger Balm ointment, Peranakan Kebaya sarong garments, five-stones games, dolls in traditional costumes, handmade quilts, silk paintings, liquor, candy and teas

Traditional Cuisine

Hainanese Chicken Rice — boiled chicken tossed in chili-ginger-garlic-soy sauce on high heat and served with rice boiled in coconut milk

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