Guyana

Travel Facts

US State Department Travel Advisory

The US State Department currently recommends US citizens Reconsider Travel to Guyana due to crime. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html



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

+(592) 225-4900/9; EMER: +(592) 623-1992; US Embassy Georgetown, 100 Young and Duke Streets, Georgetown, Guyana; acsgeorge@state.gov; https://gy.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

592

Local Emergency Phone

999

Vaccinations

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

http://www.who.int/

Climate

Tropical; hot, humid, moderated by northeast trade winds; two rainy seasons (May to August, November to January)

Currency (Code)

Guyanese dollars (GYD)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

120 V, 240 V / 60 Hz / plug types(s): A, B, D, G









Type A

Type D

Type G

Major Languages

English, Guyanese Creole, Amerindian languages (including Caribbean and Arawak languages), Indian languages (including Caribbean Hindustani), Chinese

Major Religions

Protestant, Hindu, Roman Catholic

Time Difference

UTC-4 (1 hour ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

Potable Water

Opt for bottled water

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Tourist Destinations

Kaieteur Falls; Canopy Walkway; Marshall Falls; Saint George's Cathedral; Orinduik Falls; Shell Beach

Major Sports

Cricket, soccer, field hockey, rounders (similar to baseball)

Cultural Practices

Direct eye contact is appreciated in Guyana, and refusal to meet someone's gaze can be seen as suspicious.

Tipping Guidelines

In restaurants, 10-15% of the bill is conventional. A tip of \$2-10 (USD) a day for your guide and \$1-3 (USD) for your driver is acceptable.

Souvenirs

Carved wooden animals, handmade slippers, leather goods, beadwork, woven cloth hammocks and dyed fabrics, glassware

Traditional Cuisine

Pepper pot — a stewed meat dish with beef, pork, or mutton, flavored with cinnamon, cassareep (a sauce made from the cassava root), and other ingredients, including Caribbean hot peppers; typically served with homemade bread, rice, or roti and/or boiled vegetables such as cassava, eddoes, sweet potatoes, and green or ripe plantains





