Paraguay

Travel Facts

US State Department Travel Advisory

The US State Department currently recommends US citizens exercise normal precautions in Paraguay. Some areas have increased crime risk.

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

+(595)(21) 213-715; EMER: +(595)(21) 229-581; US Embassy Asuncion, 1776 Mariscal Lopez Avenue, Asunción, Paraguay; ParaguayACS@state.gov; https://py.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

595

Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance 141, Fire 132, Police 192

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Paraguay: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, typhoid, yellow fever, 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

Subtropical to temperate; substantial rainfall in the eastern portions, becoming semiarid in the far west

Currency (Code)

Guarani (PYG)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

220 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): C



Type C

Major Languages

Spanish and Guarani, only Guarani, only Spanish

Major Religions

Roman Catholic and Protestant

Time Difference

UTC-4 (1 hour ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1hr, begins first Sunday in October; ends last Sunday in March



Opt for bottled water

International Driving Permit

Suggested; additionally, if you plan to drive in Paraguay, you will need an Inter-American Driving Permit issued by the AAA

Road Driving Side

Right



Tourist Destinations

Asuncion; Encarnacion (includes Jesuit Ruins); Cerro Cora National Park; Ciudad del Este & Monday Falls; Ybycui National Park; Aregua

Major Sports

Soccer, rugby

Cultural Practices

Flicking your fingers under your chin signifies not knowing or not caring.

Tipping Guidelines

A tip of 10-15% is common in restaurants. Round up taxi fares to the nearest 1,000 guarani.

Souvenirs

Yerba guampa cups or mate gourds, wood crafts, native feathered jewelry, filigree jewelry, native fabric and lace items, leather goods, woven baskets, pottery

Traditional Cuisine

Sopá Paraguaí (or Sopa paraguaya) — a spongy cake simili 🖬 to corn bread made with corn flour, cheese, onion, egg, ar milk



