

Yemen

Travel Facts



US State Department Travel Advisory

The US State Department currently recommends US citizens DO NOT TRAVEL to Yemen due to terrorism, civil unrest, health risks, kidnapping, armed conflict, and landmines.

<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

No US Embassy or Consulate currently in Yemen since 2015, due to ongoing conflict; Yemen Affairs Unit currently operates out of US Embassy Riyadh, [966]

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

967

Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 191; Fire: 191; Police: 194

Vaccinations

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

<http://www.who.int/>

Climate

Mostly desert; hot and humid along west coast; temperate in western mountains affected by seasonal monsoon; extraordinarily hot, dry, harsh desert in east

Currency (Code)

Yemeni rials (YER)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): A, D, G



Type A



Type D



Type G

Major Languages

Arabic

Major Religions

Muslim (Sunni and Shia), other (includes Jewish, Baha'i, Hindu, and Christian)

Time Difference

UTC+3 (8 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

Potable Water

Opt for bottled water

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Right



Tourist Destinations

Al-Saleh Mosque; Old City of Sanaa; Socotra Island; Qalansiya Beach; Al Mukalla Harbor; Gulf of Aden, Shibam, Seiyun Palace, Thula Village

Major Sports

Soccer, boxing, mountain climbing

Cultural Practices

Yemenis greatly respect titles and positions of authority. Familiarity is commonly avoided in a work-related setting.

Tipping Guidelines

Leave a 10% tip in finer restaurants; otherwise round up the bill.

Souvenirs

Frankincense, jambiyyas daggers, polished amber, traditional clothing, honey

Traditional Cuisine

Saltah — brown meat stew served with rice; key ingredients include saltah and hilbeh (a condiment based on fenugreek) and zhug (a condiment consisting of chillies, oil, cumin, garlic, and coriander); other ingredients may include lamb or chicken, tomatoes, potatoes, other vegetables, or scrambled eggs; typically served with flatbread

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