

# Slovakia

## Travel Facts



### US State Department Travel Advisory

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

+(421) (2) 5443-0861 or +(421) (2) 5443-3338; EMER: +(421) 903-703-666; US Embassy Bratislava, 814 99 Bratislava, Slovakia; [consulbratislava@state.gov](mailto:consulbratislava@state.gov); <https://sk.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

421

### Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 155; Fire: 150; Police: 158

### Vaccinations

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

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

### Climate

Temperate; cool summers; cold, cloudy, humid winters

### Currency (Code)

Euros (EUR)

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

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



Type C

Type E

### Major Languages

Slovak, Hungarian, Roma, Ruthenian

### Major Religions

Roman Catholic, Protestant, Greek Catholic

### 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

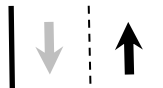
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### International Driving Permit

Suggested

### Road Driving Side

Right



### Tourist Destinations

Spis Castle; Slovak Paradise National Park; Pieniny Mountains; Demanovska Cave of Liberty; Vychodna Folklore Festival; Bratislava Castle; Tatra Mountains; Levoca

### Major Sports

Soccer, ice hockey, cycling, hiking, soccer

### Cultural Practices

Slovaks value their privacy. It takes a while for them to open up to and trust new people. As a result they can seem overly formal and reserved. They are not exuberant and are not given to emotional displays.

### Tipping Guidelines

A tip of 10-20% is expected in restaurants. In other settings, tipping is expected only from tourists. In such cases, either round up a bill or leave 10% of the total.

### Souvenirs

Cornhusk dolls and puppets, glass and crystal, musical instruments, woodcarvings, pottery and porcelain, hand-embroidered cloth, chocolate, cheese, ginger desserts, wine and brandy

### Traditional Cuisine

Bryndzové halušky — small boiled dumplings made from grated potato, flour, and egg then covered in a special sheep's cheese and topped with bacon bits and drippings

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