

International Travel Guidelines for Indian Citizens

Destinations: Dubai (UAE), Bangkok (Thailand), Bali (Indonesia)

AE Dubai (UAE)

1. Entry Requirements:

- **Visa:**
 - Indian citizens require a UAE visa (tourist e-visa).
 - Apply via the UAE Immigration portal or airline-authorized agents.
- **Passport Validity:** Minimum 6 months.
- **Travel Insurance:** Recommended.
- **COVID-19:** No current restrictions, but keep updated via UAE Government advisories.

2. Best Time to Visit:

- **November to March:** Cool and pleasant; ideal for sightseeing, desert safaris, and festivals like Dubai Shopping Festival.
- **Avoid May–August:** Extremely hot (temperatures > 45°C).

3. Transportation:

- **Metro:** Dubai Metro connects major attractions and airports.
- **Taxis:** Readily available, metered, and reliable.
- **Rental Cars:** Available but driving rules are strict.
- **Public Buses:** Operated by RTA, cover major locations.

4. Safety & Health:

- Very safe for tourists; low crime rate.
- Emergency Number: **999**
- Health facilities are top-notch but expensive—**travel insurance highly advised**.
- Avoid drinking tap water; bottled water is recommended.

5. Travel Tips:

- Dress modestly in public spaces (cover shoulders/knees).
- Avoid PDA (public display of affection).
- No alcohol in public; only in licensed venues.
- Friday is prayer day—expect reduced business hours.

6. India-Specific Guidance:

- Direct flights from Indian cities like Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Kochi.
 - Carry minimal medicines and check UAE's banned drug list.
 - Don't bring religious material, meat products, or tobacco in large quantities.
 - INR not accepted; convert to AED at airports or use Forex cards.
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TH Bangkok (Thailand)

1. Entry Requirements:

- **Visa on Arrival (VOA)** available for Indian passport holders for up to 15 days.
 - Must have return ticket, hotel booking, and proof of funds.
- **Fee:** 2,000 Thai Baht (~₹4,500) in cash.
- **COVID-19:** No restrictions as of now.
- **Passport Validity:** Minimum 6 months.
- **Travel Insurance:** Strongly advised for emergencies.

2. Best Time to Visit:

- **November to February:** Dry, cool, best for sightseeing and festivals.
- **March to June:** Hot season—good for beach lovers but can be humid.
- **July to October:** Monsoon season; heavy rains and possible floods.

3. Transportation:

- **BTS Skytrain & MRT:** Efficient for Bangkok travel.
- **Tuk-Tuks:** Fun but be wary of scams.
- **Grab App:** Reliable for cabs.
- **Boats:** Use Chao Phraya River boats for scenic commutes.

4. Safety & Health:

- Generally safe, but be cautious of scams (tours, gem stores).
- Avoid stray animals and street food without hygiene standards.
- Drink bottled water only.
- Emergency Number: **191**
- Good hospitals, but treatment can be costly without insurance.

5. Travel Tips:

- Dress respectfully at temples (cover shoulders and knees).
- Carry passport or a copy when moving around.
- Carry loose clothes, sunscreen, and umbrella.
- Avoid overbooking tours—plan flexible itineraries.

6. India-Specific Guidance:

- Budget airlines from India (AirAsia, Indigo, Thai Smile).
 - Vegetarian food limited; carry ready meals or ask for “jay” (veg) food.
 - Avoid carrying Ayurvedic powders and medicines without labels.
 - Convert INR to THB or carry an international card.
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ID Bali (Indonesia)

1. Entry Requirements:

- **Visa on Arrival:** IDR 500,000 (~₹2,500), valid 30 days.
 - Proof of hotel booking, return ticket required.
- **COVID-19:** No test/vaccine required.
- **Passport Validity:** 6 months minimum.
- **Travel Insurance:** Recommended for medical or adventure needs.

2. Best Time to Visit:

- **April to October:** Dry season, perfect for beaches, temples, trekking.
- **November to March:** Rainy season; lush landscapes, but some outdoor activities may be affected.

3. Transportation:

- **Scooter rentals:** Popular but need an international driving permit.
- **Private taxis & drivers:** Affordable and flexible.
- **Ride apps:** Gojek and Grab work in major towns.
- No metro or bus system; plan based on proximity of hotel.

4. Safety & Health:

- Safe for solo and family travelers.
- Carry mosquito repellent, especially in forested areas.
- Tap water is not potable—use bottled water.
- Emergency Number: **112**
- Clinics are available in most towns; carry personal medicines.

5. Travel Tips:

- Respect local customs and dress modestly at temples.
- Always wear helmets on scooters.
- Bargain at local markets but be polite.
- Avoid swimming during high tides or in isolated beaches.

6. India-Specific Guidance:

- No direct flights, but multiple 1-stop options via Singapore, Malaysia, or Bangkok.
 - Indian food is available in Ubud and Seminyak; vegetarian food is relatively easy to find.
 - Carry local SIM or activate international roaming.
 - Don't bring tobacco or dairy products in large amounts.
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✓ Final Checklist for Indian Travelers

Item	Recommendation
Passport Validity	Minimum 6 months
Visa Type	As required by country
Return Tickets & Hotel Proof	Mandatory for immigration
Travel Insurance	Highly recommended
Forex/Cash	Carry some local currency
International SIM/eSIM	Or activate global roaming
Prescribed Medicines	With doctor's prescription
Weather-appropriate Clothes	Lightweight + modest or warm as needed
Power Adapters	Plug types vary—carry universal adapter
Offline Maps	Especially useful in low-network zones