

Italy

US State Dept Travel Advisory	The US State Department currently recommends US citizens exercise increased caution due to terrorism. 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 U.S. 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	(+39) 06-4674-1; US Embassy Rome, via Vittorio Veneto 121, 00187 Roma, Italy; uscitizenrome@state.gov ; https://it.usembassy.gov/
LGBTQIA+ Travelers	https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations.html
Telephone Code	39
Local Emergency Phone	Ambulance: 112, 118; Fire: 112, 115; Police: 112, 113;
Vaccinations	The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Italy: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, rabies, tickborne encephalitis, meningitis, polio, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis), chickenpox, shingles, pneumonia, influenza, and COVID-19. http://www.who.int/
Climate	Predominantly Mediterranean; alpine in far north; hot, dry in south
Currency (Code)	Euros (EUR)
Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)	230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): C, F, L
Major Languages	Italian, German, French, Slovene
Major Religions	Christian (overwhelmingly Roman Catholic with very small groups of Jehovah's Witnesses and Protestants), Muslim
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	Yes, but some opt for bottled water
International Driving Permit	Suggested
Road Driving Side	Right
Tourist Destinations	Rome (includes Colosseum, Trevi Fountain, Pantheon, Castel Sant'Angelo, Roman Forum); Venice Canals; Pompeii; Leaning Tower of Pisa; Lake Como; Florence (includes Ponte Vecchio, Cathedral, Uffizi Gallery); Sicily; Mount Vesuvius; Amalfi Coast; Hadrian's Villa; Milan (includes Cathedral, La Scala)
Major Sports	Soccer, basketball, rugby, cycling, water polo
Cultural Practices	It is common for Italian friends and families to kiss on the cheek when they meet, irrespective of their gender. Dress neatly and respectfully.
Tipping Guidelines	A service charge, ranging from 1-3 euros, is sometimes added to a restaurant bill, but you can round up for good service. Tip a bartender 1 euro for a round of drinks. Tipping in hotels is not required, but always appreciated. It is appropriate to tip a porter 5 euros, the concierge 1-2 euros (if they provided a service), and housekeeping between 75 cents to 1.5 euros per day. Round up taxi fares.
Souvenirs	Leather goods, designer fashion, artwork, ceramics and pottery, wine and liqueurs, cheese, pasta, crystal and blown-glass items
Traditional Cuisine	Pasta dishes, pizza