



# Afghanistan



**US State Dept Travel Advisory** For the latest travel advisories for this country, please consult the U.S. State Department's website, available through the link below.

<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** [00 93] (0) 700-10-8000; US Embassy Kabul, Bibi Mahru, Kabul, Afghanistan; <https://af.usembassy.gov/>; KabulACS@state.gov; note U.S. Embassy Kabul suspended operations on August 31, 2021; USG is helping through the Embassy in Doha, Qatar: Al-Luqta District, 22nd February Street, Doha, Qatar, +(974) 4496-6000, ACSDOha@state.gov or ConsularDoha@state.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** 93

**Local Emergency Phone** Police 119, Ambulance 112

**Vaccinations** For the latest information on required or recommended vaccines, please visit the CDC's website, available through the link below.

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

**Climate** Arid to semiarid; cold winters and hot summers

**Currency (Code)** Afghanis (AFN)

<b>Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)</b>	220 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): C, F
	 Type C  Type F
<b>Major Languages</b>	Afghan Persian or Dari (official, lingua franca) 77%, Pashto (official) 48%, Uzbeki 11%, English 6%, Turkmani 3%, Urdu 3%, other minority languages
<b>Time Difference</b>	UTC+4.5 (9.5 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)
<b>Potable Water</b>	Opt for bottled water
<b>International Driving Permit</b>	Suggested
<b>Road Driving Side</b>	Right



<b>Souvenirs</b>	Tribal hats and scarves, pottery, lapis lazuli and soapstone items, handwoven rugs, brass and copperware
<b>Traditional Cuisine</b>	Kabuli Pulao — long-grained Basmati rice steamed in meat broth, with assorted lentils, raisins, carrots, lamb, and chopped almonds and pistachios