

Egypt

US State Dept Travel Advisory	The US State Department currently recommends US citizens Reconsider Travel to Egypt due to terrorism. Exercise increased caution in Egypt due to the Embassy's limited ability to assist dual national U.S.-Egyptian citizens who are arrested or detained. 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	[20-2] 2797-3300; US Embassy in Cairo, 5 Tawfiq Diab Street, Garden City, Cairo, Egypt; https://eg.usembassy.gov/ ; ConsularCairoACS@state.gov
LGBTQIA+ Travelers	https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations.html
Telephone Code	20
Local Emergency Phone	Ambulance: 123; Fire: 180; Police: 122
Vaccinations	The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Egypt: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, typhoid, yellow fever, rabies, meningitis, polio, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis), chickenpox, shingles, pneumonia, influenza, COVID-19.
Climate	http://www.who.int/ Desert; hot, dry summers with moderate winters
Currency (Code)	Egyptian pounds (EGP)
Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)	220 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): C, F  Type C  Type F
Major Languages	Arabic, English, and French widely understood by educated classes
Major Religions	Muslim (predominantly Sunni), Christian
Time Difference	UTC+2 (7 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)
Potable Water	Opt for bottled water
International Driving Permit	Suggested
Road Driving Side	Right
Tourist Destinations	Memphis and its Necropolis - the pyramid fields from Giza to Dashur; Luxor's Karnak Temple and Valley of the Kings; Islamic Cairo; Aswan; Deir el-Bahari; Feluccas on the Nile; Abu Simbel; Egyptian Museum; Edfu; Medinet Habu; White Desert; Siwa Oasis
Major Sports	Soccer, tennis, squash, basketball, handball
Cultural Practices	Try to avoid using your left hand to eat or greet people. Hail taxis with your hand extended rather than your thumb up.
Tipping Guidelines	It is customary to tip restaurant staff 10-15% of the bill. Tip taxi drivers around 10% of the total fare and housekeeping staff at hotels around \$2 (USD) per day. Tip bellhops loose change for carrying your luggage.
Souvenirs	Papyrus scrolls and art, camel- and pyramid-themed items, copper and brassware, ankh jewelry, shisha pipes, pottery, handmade leather goods, silk, spices
Traditional Cuisine	Ful medames — a stew of cooked fava beans served with olive oil, cumin, and optionally with chopped parsley, garlic, onion, lemon juice, chili pepper, and other vegetable, herb, and spice ingredients; traditionally made in and served from a large metal jug