North Macedonia

Travel Facts



US State Department Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise normal precautions in North Macedonia https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for any entry stamp that will be required. A visa is not required as long as the stay is less than 90 days, within a six month period.

US Embassy/Consulate

+(389) (2) 310-2000 (0 -for Switchboard Operator); US Embassy Skopje, Str. "Samoilova" Nr.21, 1000 Skopje, Republic of North Macedonia; SkopjeACS@state.gov; https://mk.usembassy.gov/

LGBTQ+ Travelers

When venturing abroad, LGBTQ+ travelers can face unique challenges since laws, attitudes, and legal protections vary from country to country. Consult the website via the link below to learn what precautions to take before and during your trip. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/lgbtqi.html

Telephone Code

389

Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 94; Fire: 93; Police: 92

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for North Macedonia: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, rabies, meningitis, polio, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis), chickenpox, shingles, pneumonia, influenza, and COVID-19. http://www.who.int/

Climate

Warm, dry summers and autumns; relatively cold winters with heavy snowfall

Currency (Code)

Macedonian denars (MKD)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

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





Type C

Major Languages

Macedonian, Albanian, Turkish, Romani, Serbian

Major Religions

Macedonian Orthodox, Muslim, other Christian

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

Mavrovo National Park; Bitola; Kratovo; Pelister National Park

Major Sports

Soccer, handball, basketball

Cultural Practices

It is expected that people behave more formally and respectfully around their elders. For example, one would refrain from swearing or telling rude jokes.

Tipping Guidelines

Common practice in restaurants is to round up the bill for a tip, but in finer dining establishments a 10-15% tip is appreciated. Tipping taxi drivers is not common.

Souvenirs

Religious icons and marble statues, jeweled crosses, rosaries, wood carvings, spices

Traditional Cuisine

Tavče Gravče — fresh white beans and other vegetables baked and served in a traditional unglazed earthenware pot April 2024



