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## Colombia

**US State Dept Travel Advisory** 

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens DO NOT TRAVEL to Colombia due to COVID-19. Exercise increased caution in Colombia due to crime, terrorism and kidnapping. Consult its website daily via the link below for any travel advisories about visiting this country.

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 you do not stay in the country more than 89 days.

**US Embassy/Consulate** 

[57] (1) 275-2000; US Embassy in Bogota, Carrera 45 No. 24B-27 Bogotá,

D.C. Colombia

**Vaccinations** 

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of yellow fever transmission and for travelers having transited through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. See WHO recommendations.

http://www.who.int

Climate

Tropical along coast and eastern plains; cooler in highlands

**Currency (Code)** 

Pesos (COP)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

110 V / 60 Hz / plug type(s): A, B



**Major Languages** 

Spanish

**Religions** 

Roman Catholic 79%, Protestant 14%, other 2%, unspecified 5%

**Time Difference** 

UTC-5 (same time as Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

**Potable Water** 

Opt for bottled water.

**International Driving Permit** 

Suggested; additionally, if you plan to drive in Colombia, you will need an Inter-American Driving Permit issued by the AAA

**Road Driving Side** 

Right

**Cultural Practices** 

Roses are well-received gifts in Colombia, but marigolds and lilies are disliked because of their association with funerals.

Telephone Code 57

Local Emergency Phone 119

Numbers

Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

World Health Organization (WHO) - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. http://www.who.int

<u>US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens.</u> <u>https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html</u>

<u>To obtain an international driving permit (IDP). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs:</u>
<u>American Automobile Association (AAA) (www.aaa.com) and</u>

American Automobile Touring Alliance (AATA) (www.aataidp.com)

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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