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Pakistan

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US State Dept Travel Advisory	The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens RECONSIDER TRAVEL to this country due to COVID-19, terrorism, and sectarian violence. Consult its website via the link below for any updates to this advisory.
	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 2 blank pages in their passport for any entry stamp and or visa that will be required. A visa is required. US citizens will need to get in touch with the country's embassy or nearest consulate to obtain a visa prior to visiting the country.
US Embassy/	[92] (51) 201-5000/ [92] (51) 201-4000; US Embassy in Islamabad, Diplomatic
Consulate	Enclave, Ramna 5, Islamabad, Pakistan
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. Polio vaccination within one year before travel may be required to exit Pakistan. See WHO recommendations. http://www.who.int
Climate	Mostly hot, dry desert; temperate in northwest; arctic in north
Currency (Code)	Pakistani rupees (PKR)
Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)	230 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): C, D
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Major Languages	Punjabi 48%, Sindhi 12%, Saraiki (a Punjabi variant) 10%, Pashto (alternate name, Pashtu) 8%, Urdu 8%, Balochi 3%, Hindko 2%, Brahui 1%, English (lingua franca of Pakistani elite and most government ministries), Burushaski, and other 8%
Religions	Muslim 96.4% (Sunni 85-90%, Shia 10-15%), other (includes Christian and Hindu) 3.6%
Time Difference	UTC+5 (10 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)
Potable Water	Opt for bottled water.
International Driving Permit	Suggested

Road Driving Side	Left
Cultural Practices	Pakistani culture is very hierarchical, with age being one of the most important aspects, if not the most important. When interacting with Pakistanis, greet and show deference to the eldest person. It is impolite to start eating before the eldest member at the table has begun to eat.
Telephone Code	92
Local Emergency Phone	15

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>

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

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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