
Preparing For Your Journey: Moldova

General Information

Visas: are not required for US, EU, Canada and Japan citizens for fewer than 90 days of travel. Visas are required for citizens of Australia and New Zealand. Visa must be obtained in advance at consular offices.

Customs: Valuable goods, jewelry and foreign currency over the value of \$1000 must be declared when entering the country. The endorsed customs declarations are required when leaving the country. It is forbidden to export cultural, historic or artistic value as well as Lei (currency) in excess of \$250,000.

Vaccinations: not required

Topography: Moldova is land-locked with rolling steppes gradually sloping towards the Black Sea.

Climate: Mild temperatures in Spring and Fall; warm to hot summers.

Clothing: Since our tours are offered during the mild pleasant climate, pack comfortable summer clothes with layering options (light jacket in Fall).

Languages: The official language is Romanian, of Latin origin. Russian is widely spoken.

Currency: Moldovan Leu (MDL)

Money Exchange: There are ATM machines available in Chisinau.

Credit Cards: Moldova is essentially a cash society; credit cards are only accepted at hotels and certain restaurants in Chisinau only (not in the regions outside the city).

Internet: Wifi is available at the hotels in Chisinau; outside Chisinau internet availability is limited.

Country Code: +373

Electrical Outlets: 230v. European plug.

Time Difference: GMT +3 hours

Tipping Suggestions: Guide & Driver are 2 separate people: \$5-6 per person per day to each of them.

Meals: Approximate cost of meals not included in your tour are \$10-12 lunch; \$15-20 dinner. There are some excellent restaurants in Chisinau including the one at our hotel.