

Azerbaijan

Useful information for your journey



Photography: Franco Capellari

A few practical notes for a comfortable visit. Keep this guide offline together with your itinerary and hotel details.

Currency

Manat (AZN)

Local time

UTC+4 all year

Language

Azerbaijani

Before you travel

01 Documents and entry

Check the entry rules for your nationality and passport validity before travel. If you need an e-visa, use the official ASAN Visa portal. Enter every passport detail exactly as printed. Upload a clear, glare-free copy of the photo page with the machine-readable lines at the bottom fully visible; a scan is best, though a clear photo can work. Review the application before submitting it.

03 Arrival and transfers

Keep your flight number, arrival terminal and meeting instructions accessible. For a booked transfer, follow the details in your programme. Otherwise, use the airport's official transport information and designated pick-up points. Allow time for traffic and check your airline's departure guidance.

02 Azerbaijan at a glance

Azerbaijan is home to around ten million people. The capital is Baku, the currency is the manat and the main language is Azerbaijani. English is common in many tourism settings, but less so outside the main cities. Keep your hotel address saved offline.

04 Pack for your programme

Bring comfortable walking shoes, layers, sun protection and a light rain jacket. Check the forecast for each destination, especially mountain visits. Pack a travel adapter and confirm socket compatibility with your hotel. Tell the team about mobility or dietary requirements before travel.

While you are here

05 Money and connectivity

Keep a payment card and some local cash available. Check accepted payment methods before travelling outside the city. Review your roaming plan or ask a mobile operator about a suitable SIM/eSIM. Download maps and keep the hotel address offline.

07 Culture, photos and nature

Ask before photographing people. Follow the dress and photography guidance at religious sites and museums. Respect private property and signs; check permissions before using a drone. Follow your guide on rural walks, stay on approved routes and take litter with you.

06 Food and everyday comfort

Tell your guide and restaurant staff about allergies or dietary needs before ordering. Do not drink tap water unless your hotel confirms it is potable. Ask hotel staff about using it to brush your teeth; if unsure, use bottled water. Carry drinking water on excursions and keep necessary medication in its original packaging.

08 Help during your journey

For emergencies, call 112. Police: 102. Give your location, the nearest landmark and a short description of the situation. For programme arrangements, contact VATRAVEL or the guide listed in your travel documents. Our office contact is not an emergency service.

Keep close at hand

Passport and required entry documents / insurance details / hotel address / transfer instructions / guide contact / personal essentials.

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Official information

Visa requirements · evisa.gov.az

Visa application details · evisa.gov.az

Practical information · azerbaijan.travel

Airport transport · airport.az

Emergency services · fhn.gov.az

Recheck entry and transport information before departure. Your confirmed programme and the latest official requirements take precedence.