



# Qatar.

## Destination Guide

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# Welcome to Qatar

Surrounded by the Arabian Gulf, this dynamic yet beautiful country offers travellers the perfect blend of tradition and modern living.

The capital city, Doha, is home to both soaring skyscrapers and ancient markets, while gorgeous beaches line the western coast and the beautiful 'inland sea' at Khor Al Adaid offers a unique escape from day-to-day life.

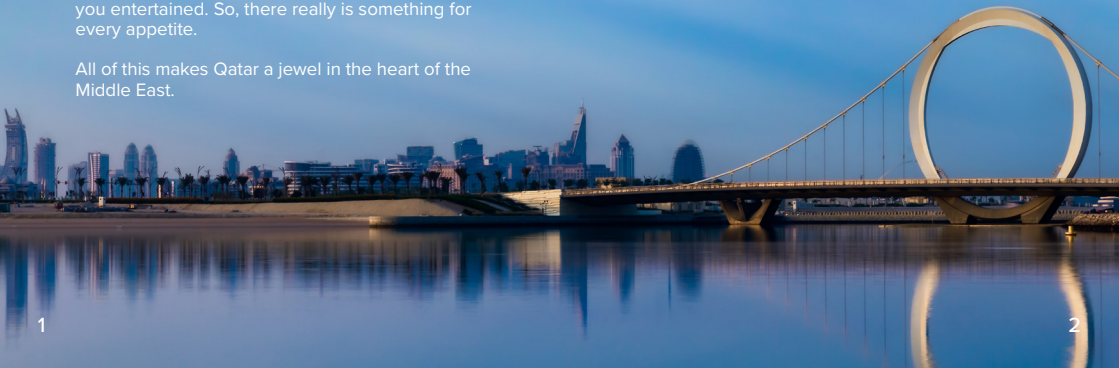
Soak up the culture with falconry and camel-racing, embrace the flourishing arts and culinary scenes, or indulge in the best hotels, spas or shopping experiences. There's even a thriving nightlife, with bars, clubs and night safaris to keep you entertained. So, there really is something for every appetite.

All of this makes Qatar a jewel in the heart of the Middle East.

This guide gives a very quick snapshot of:

- Language
- Typical costs
- Money tips
- Travel tips
- Travelex Unlimited Offer
- Travelex stores

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# Language

English is commonly used throughout Qatar. But Arabic is the official language. Here are some useful Arabic phrases for your trip:

Hello	مرحباً	<b>Marhaban</b>
Thank you	شكراً	<b>Shukran</b>
Goodbye	مع السلامة	<b>Ma'assalaama</b>
Sorry	آسف	<b>Aasif</b>
Yes	نعم	<b>Na'am</b>
No	لا	<b>Laa</b>
How much does this cost?	كم سعر هذا؟	<b>Kam si'r haadha?</b>
Can you speak in English?	هل تتكلم إنجليزي؟	<b>Hal tatakallam ingiliizi?</b>
Do you have an English menu?	هل عندك قائمة طعام بالإنجليزي؟	<b>Hal 'indak qaa'imat ta'aam bil-ingiliizi?</b>
Can I have the bill please?	ممكن الفاتورة من فضلك؟	<b>Mumkin al-fatuura min fadlik?</b>
Where is the toilet please?	أين الحمام من فضلك؟	<b>Ayna al-hammaam min fadlik?</b>

# Typical Costs\*

<b>Bottle of water</b>	<b>£0.51 / QAR 2</b>
<b>Coffee</b>	<b>£5.09 / QAR 20</b>
<b>Karak</b> A tea made with condensed milk, cardamom, ginger, saffron and sugar	<b>£1.27 / QAR 5</b>
<b>Beer (bar/hotel)</b>	<b>£12.72 / QAR 50</b>
<b>Majboos/Machboos</b> A national dish of Qatar, spiced rice and meat	<b>£7.63 / QAR 30</b>
<b>Taxi from Airport</b> Depending on your hotel	<b>£22.89 / QAR 90</b>



\*These costs are estimated and subject to change. Online exchange rates published by Travelex on 02/11/2022 are used.

## Currency

The currency in Qatar is the Qatari Riyal (QAR). It is denoted by the symbol ر.ق

One riyal is equal to 100 dirhams (like our pounds and pence).

## Denominations

Banknotes come in: 1 (green), 5 (grey/orange), 10 (blue), 50 (red), 100 (turquoise), 200 (red/orange) and 500 (purple) riyals denominations.

Coins come in 1, 5, 10, 25 and 50 dirham denominations.

## Tipping

If no tip is included, 10% - 15% is appreciated.

## Cash and cards usage

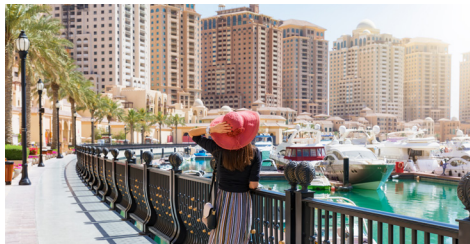
Cards and cash are widely accepted within the larger stores. However, small or local stores and market stalls will generally only take cash, particularly in the Souqs.

## ATMS

ATMs are located in major shopping malls, some Souqs, hotels and on the street.

## General tips

- Alcohol is available in Qatar, but only on licensed premises such as larger hotels, hotel restaurants and specific fan zones.
- Restaurants, cafes and museums don't open until 1 or 2pm on Fridays. Friday prayers, or Salat al-Jumu'ah, are an important event for Islam worldwide, and adhered to by many in Qatar.
- Qatar's official religion is Islam, so dress is generally conservative. Shoulders and knees are expected to be covered in public, but rules are more relaxed inside international hotels, resorts, bars and nightclubs.



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## Airport stores (all open 24hrs)

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- ✈ Landside Departures
- ✈ Airside Departures, Transit Area
- ✈ Airside Departures, Gate A
- ✈ Airside Departures, Gate B
- ✈ Airside Departures, Gate C
- ✈ Airside Departures, Gate D

## Downtown stores

Open every day 7:30am - 9pm (stores closed between 11am - 2pm)

- 🏢 Souq Al Badi, Next to Souq Al Jabor
- 🏢 Industrial Area | Al Kassarat Service Street
- 🏢 Mesaieed | New Souq Mesaieed



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