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# Qatar 2022: Things to know

## Capital City

**Doha**

## Currency

**Qatari riyal**

(QAR 1 = USD \$0.27)

## Official language

**Arabic**

(English is widely spoken)

## The most

**Compact tournament**

in modern history

**75km**

Longest distance between stadiums

**5km**

Shortest distance between stadiums

## ◆ Cultural Awareness ◆

### Clothing

Qatar is a conservative country but the dress code for visitors is quite relaxed.

Local men generally wear a thobe (long/often white garment worn by local males) in public while women usually wear the abaya (long, modest, often black garment & Hijab). Visitors are not expected to dress like locals – and can dress as they like, however they are expected to wear modest attire in government buildings and museums.

It's fine to wear swimwear appropriately, such as a bikini by the pool or on the beach.

### Public displays of affection

Public displays of affection are not part of local culture and we kindly ask for this to be respected by fans who travel to Qatar for the tournament.

### Photography

There are many picturesque images you will want to capture in Qatar, however when taking pictures, common courtesy should be exercised and fans are advised to ask permission before photographing or filming members of the public.

### Availability of alcohol

Alcohol will be available in Qatar for fans who wish to consume it. While it is not part of Qatari culture, it is available to buy in many hotels, licensed venues and dedicated fan zones. Fans should note that public drunkenness is an offence and drinking in unlicensed areas is not permitted.

**It is not permissible to enter Qatar with alcohol. So don't pack anything in your case as it will be confiscated upon arrival in Qatar.**



### ◆ Climate ◆

During the tournament in November and December the average temperature is around **18°C - 24°C** – meaning perfect conditions for players and fans.

### ◆ Food ◆

Foods from all over the world can be found in Qatar. All food in Qatar is halal compliant and most restaurants offer vegetarian options.

Restaurant prices vary from high-end hotels in Doha's West Bay area, to smaller independent restaurants in areas such as Souq Waqif. Typical prices for meals can vary from **20 QAR (\$5)** to **300 QAR (\$75)**. Feel free to add a tip; however, it is not required.

Most major international credit/debit cards are accepted across Qatar.

Check out the many of the famous food trucks dotted around popular locations throughout the country. International foods such as burgers and coffee are very popular and specialty versions can be found in malls, iconic locations such as the Pearl and Lusail Corniche, and tourist attractions throughout Qatar.

### ◆ Fan Support ◆

A centrally located consular service centre with embassy representatives from countries with high numbers of Visiting fans will be able to provide immediate support to fans.

### ◆ Transport ◆

Transport is cheap and plentiful across the country. Day passes on the Doha Metro cost **QAR 6 (US\$ 1.65)** following the one-off purchase of a **QAR 10 (US\$ 2.75)** charge card. Fans can take the Doha Metro directly to five of the eight stadiums, with the remaining three venues served by a combination of metro and shuttle bus services.

Public transport will be free during the tournament for valid ticketholders. The Doha Metro is also directly connected to Hamad International Airport, the main hub for fans travelling to Qatar.

Taxis are competitively priced, with multiple ride hailing apps available in Qatar. Tourist areas such as Msheireb Downtown Doha and Lusail both have light rail tram systems.

### ◆ Fan Activities ◆

Qatar 2022 will be the most compact tournament in modern history, meaning fans just need to book one accommodation and will be able to watch up to two matches per day during the group stage.

Qatar and FIFA will be delivering a number of fan zones across the country. The main FIFA Fan Festival will be located centrally in Doha's Al Bidda Park.

Qatar's famous Corniche promenade will also be turned into a 7km pedestrianised fan activity centre and be a key central meeting point. Both venues can be accessed via Corniche or Al Bidda Metro stations.

**For more information on fan activities, please refer to the Visit Qatar website.**