

# Arriving in Saudi Arabia

## Preparing before Your Flight:

### Important Information from Your Recruitment Consultant

To ensure a smooth arrival process, your recruitment consultant will provide you with a

**flight letter** containing all the necessary details. Please read this information carefully and follow the instructions precisely to avoid any delays.

Although arriving in a new environment after a long flight can be overwhelming, **we believe proper preparation can make all the difference.**

**Please be advised that new-hires may experience delays at the immigration/passport control desks. Do not be worried when this happens.**

**You will be met by the Meet and Greet representative.** His number is on the badge. This person will be helping you in the queue. **Make sure you wear your badge**

## Make a Good Impression:

When it comes to first impressions, both parties should strive to make a positive impact.

Understanding the dress code is important for a culturally respectful and comfortable experience.

While the strict dress code of wearing an abaya is no longer required in Saudi Arabia, modesty remains a central principle in Saudi Arabian society. While mandatory dress codes have been relaxed, **showing respect for local sensibilities is highly recommended.** This ensures a smooth and peaceful interaction with the community.

- **Covering Shoulders and Knees:** Opt for clothing that covers your shoulders and keeps your knees covered. Long pants, flowy maxi dresses, skirts reaching mid-calf, and shirts with sleeves are ideal choices.
- **Loose and Opaque Fabrics:** Avoid overly tight or revealing clothing. Choose breathable, opaque fabrics that don't show through, promoting comfort and cultural awareness.
- **Sensible Cleavage Coverage:** Plunging necklines and revealing tops are best avoided. Opt for modest necklines or layer with scarves for added coverage.
- **Undergarments Matter:** Underwear should be private and hidden under your clothing. Visible undergarment lines can be considered unfit.

It's important to note that the dress code for women is more conservative compared to men. Women should avoid wearing anything too revealing or tight-fitting. It's advisable to wear loose-fitting clothing that covers the arms, legs, and chest. For men, it's recommended to wear long-sleeved shirts and trousers.

**It's also important to note that the headscarf or hijab is not mandatory for non-Muslim women**, but it's respectful to wear one when visiting mosques or other religious sites.

**Overall, dressing appropriately is a sign of respect for the Saudi Arabian culture and will help to create a positive impression.**

Online you can find inspiring blogs about this subject: fe

<https://www.yourgirlknows.com/how-to-dress-modestly/>

**Expert tip:** Download a language app and master a few fundamental Arabic phrases.

Not only will it help you navigate through the local streets and communicate with the locals, but it will also show your respect for their culture and language. It's easy to find language apps that can help you learn key phrases such as "hello," "thank you," and "have a nice day"

**It can make a significant difference!**