

**Skate Asia 2024 @ Aurora Ice Rink, Taipei**  
**Travelling Tips**

Welcome to Skate Asia 2024 Taipei, traveling to Taiwan can be an exciting experience! There are only few weeks to go, here are some tips to help you make the most of your trip:

1. **Currency:** The currency used in Taiwan is the New Taiwan Dollar (TWD). It's advisable to exchange some local currency at the airport for small purchases and use credit cards for larger transactions. There is **NO money exchange booths anywhere** in Taiwan and there are only few local banks would do money exchange service. If you decide to withdraw cash from ATM machines, please make sure you open this function at your bank before you travel
2. **Transportation:** Taiwan has an efficient and extensive transportation system. The Taipei Metro (MRT) is convenient for getting around Taipei, taxis and buses are also readily available. By purchasing an EasyCard upon arrival at Taoyuan Airport, you can enjoy seamless travel around Taiwan with access to public transportation and convenient payment options.
3. **Language:** Mandarin Chinese is the official language, but many people in Taiwan also speak English, especially in tourist areas and larger cities. Learning a few basic phrases in Mandarin can be helpful.
4. **Food:** Taiwanese cuisine is diverse and delicious. Don't miss trying local specialties like beef noodle soup, bubble tea, and night market snacks. Taiwan is also known for its vibrant night markets.

When traveling to Taiwan, there are a few important customs and regulations to keep in mind as a tourist:

5. **Entry Requirements:** Make sure you have a valid passport with at least six months validity from your date of entry. Depending on your nationality, you **may need a visa** or qualify for visa-free entry for a certain period.
6. **Customs Declaration:** When arriving in Taiwan, you'll need to complete a customs declaration form. Declare any items that exceed duty-free limits, including alcohol, tobacco, and luxury goods.
7. **Prohibited Items:** Certain items are strictly prohibited from entering Taiwan, such as drugs, weapons, and endangered species products as usual. Taiwan has strict regulations regarding the importation of **fruits and pork** products.

Above are some tips for you, Enjoy your journey to Taiwan! See you all very soon at Skate Asia 2024 Taipei!