

International Tipping Etiquette



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Reading

When you're abroad, trying to find out who to tip is never straightforward and neither is trying to work out the exact amount. To make things even more complicated, the rules for tipping vary greatly from country to country. Even people from the same country can't agree on how much to tip. However, here are some general guidelines which might help the traveler.

You face your first dilemma as soon as you land at the airport – the taxi ride. Taxi drivers generally do expect tips, but rather than there being a precise amount, people round up the fare, or just tell the driver to keep the change.

Your next encounter is the hotel porter and you know he's expecting a tip, but the problem is trying to figure out how much. It seems that in many European countries €3 – €5 would be an appropriate amount.

You can see the whole lesson from your teacher, please ask them to send it to you before the class.

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