



IGLTA FAST FACTS

- IGLTA is the global leader in advancing LGBTQ+ travel.
- IGLTA's network includes 12,000 travel professionals in 80 countries. In addition to using iglta.org, follow us on social media via Twitter and Instagram: @iglta and also on Facebook at /IGLTABusiness and /IGLTA.
- **IGLTA does not support travel boycotts, as they often isolate the people they are meant to protect. Change comes through open dialogue and communication. However, we advise LGBTQ+ travelers to be aware of the laws of the countries they wish to visit, given there nearly 70 countries where same-sex relationships are criminalized and 6 countries in which they carry the death penalty.**
- Just under half of our tourism business members are based in North America. Brazil has the largest representation among our South American members and is our second-largest country of membership after the U.S.; in Europe, Spain and Italy have the most members. Japan has the largest IGLTA membership in Asia.
- The IGLTA Global Convention is the premier educational and networking event for the LGBTQ+ tourism industry and is held each year in September or October. Igltaconvention.org

Next convention: San Juan, Puerto Rico 4-7 October 2023 (Our 40th Anniversary!)

- IGLTA was established with approximately 25 guesthouse and travel agent members in 1983 in Hollywood, Florida, USA. It was originally IGTA; the "L" was added in 1997. In 2019, we made the change to International LGBTQ+ Travel Association when spelling out IGLTA.
- The IGLTA Foundation was created in 2012 as a philanthropic organization and empowers LGBTQ+ welcoming businesses globally through leadership, research, and education. Iglta.org/foundation
- IGLTA has been a proud Affiliate Member of the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) since 2010, the only LGBTQ+ organization in the program. IGLTA has partnered on two UNWTO LGBTQ+ tourism reports in 2012 and 2017: iglta.org/research
- TravelOutNewsWire, our opt-in news release service with NLGJA and Witeck Communications, distributes IGLTA and other LGBTQ+ travel news to approximately 400 media outlets, freelancers and bloggers in 20-plus countries. Details at: iglta.org/tonw