



Alipay for Foreigners

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A Complete Setup Guide in 4 Steps

4 Steps to Get Started

Everything you need to use Alipay as a foreign visitor

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Download

Get the Alipay app from App Store
or Google Play

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Sign Up

Register with your international
phone number

3

Verify

Complete real-name verification
with your passport

4

Bind Card

Link your Visa, Mastercard, or
other international card

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Download the Alipay App

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Open App Store (iOS) or Google Play (Android)

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Search for "Alipay" — look for the blue icon

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Tap "Get" or "Install" and wait for download

4

Open the app — the welcome screen will appear

PRO TIP

Make sure you have a stable internet connection.

The app is about 200MB.



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Create Your Account

- 1 Tap "Sign Up" on the welcome screen
- 2 Select your country code (e.g., +1 for USA, +44 for UK)
- 3 Enter your international phone number
- 4 Enter the SMS verification code you receive
- 5 Set a secure password (6-20 characters)

IMPORTANT

Use a phone number you can receive SMS on.
A Chinese number is NOT required — any international number works!

Sign up

Phone region Mainland China >

+86 Enter mobile number

Sign up

Enter code

Please enter the code received by

1-1734-XXXXXX

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You shall receive it in the next 59 sec(s)

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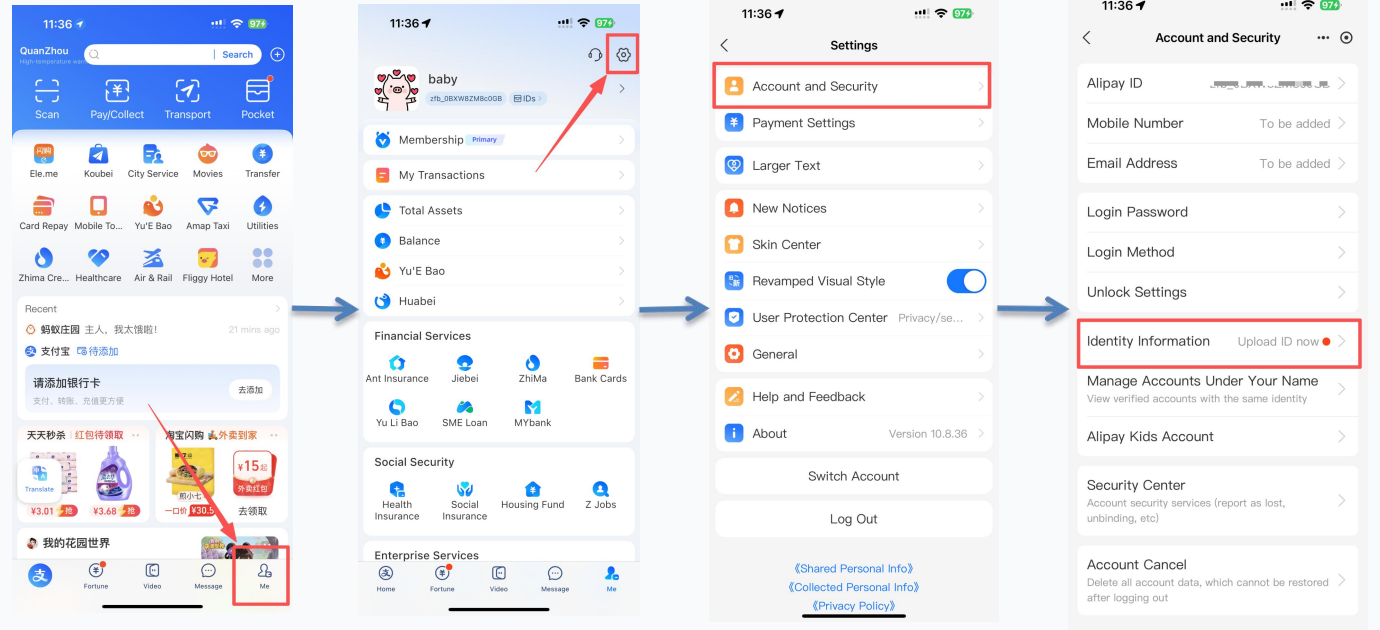
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Signing up means that you agree with the [Alipay Service Agreement](#) and [Taobao Service Agreement](#)

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Real-Name Verification

- 1 Go to "Me" tab -> tap your profile
- 2 Select "Identity Verification" or "Real-Name Auth"
- 3 Choose "Passport" as your ID type
- 4 Take a clear photo of your passport info page
- 5 Complete face recognition (follow the prompts)



PROCESSING TIME

Verification usually takes a few minutes to 24 hours.
You'll get a notification when approved.

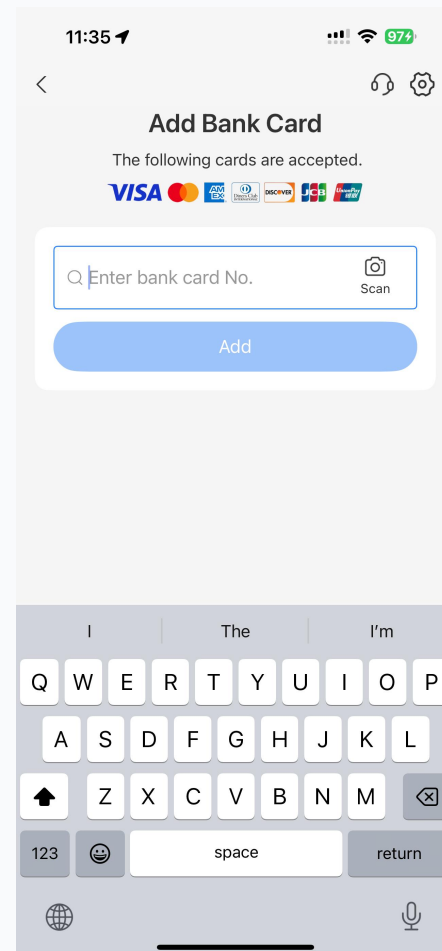
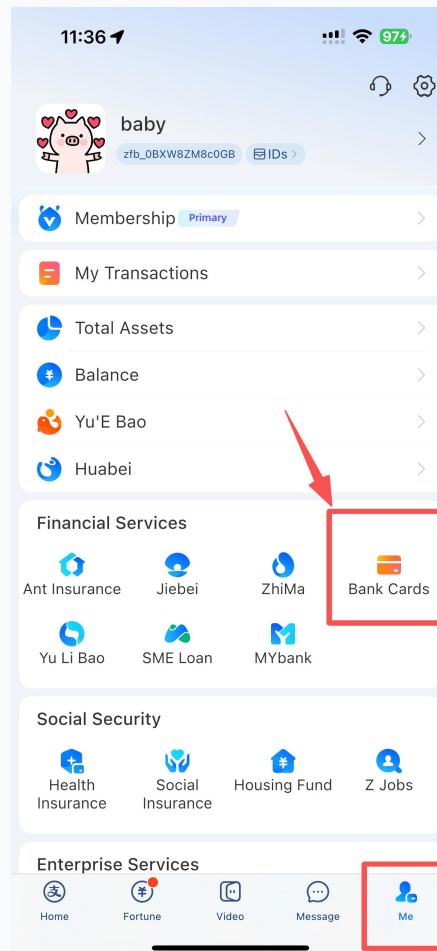
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Link Your Bank Card

- 1 Go to "Me" -> "Bank Cards" -> "Add Card"
- 2 Enter your card number manually or scan it
- 3 Fill in expiry date and CVV/CVC code
- 4 Enter the SMS verification code from your bank
- 5 Set a payment password for security

SUPPORTED CARDS

Visa, Mastercard, Diners Club, Discover, JCB
and most major international cards are supported.



OK

You're All Set!

You can now scan QR codes, pay at restaurants, ride public transport, shop online, and enjoy cashless life in China with Alipay.

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Scan to Pay

Bus

Transport

Cart

Shopping

Food

Food & Drinks