



TwiTips for Driving  
on the  
Right-Side of the Road

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## *Tour the Twilight Saga* **The Right-Side Driving Dilemma**

**There is no such thing as a rental car option that will alleviate the fact that:** Twilighters who live in left-side driving countries (e.g., Australia, Japan, India, Malaysia, Singapore, the UK) *will* experience episodes of anxiety and confusion when having to drive on the right side of the road in the US or Canada.

CD Miller (TTTS author and US citizen) says:

“On every morning of every day, during every trip when I’ve driven a car in the UK, I suffered a panic attack as soon as I sat behind the wheel. The only way to get past the panic was to chant, ‘Drive on the **Left Side** ... Turn to the **Left Side**,’ over and over, until I calmed down enough to confidently set out. Some days I’d have afternoon or evening panic attacks as well.

“If I drove in the UK for longer than a week, I suffered similar panic attacks for a few days after getting home! Sitting in my own car chanting, ‘Drive on the **Right Side** ... Turn to the **Right Side**,’ felt ridiculous. But, better silly than sorry.”

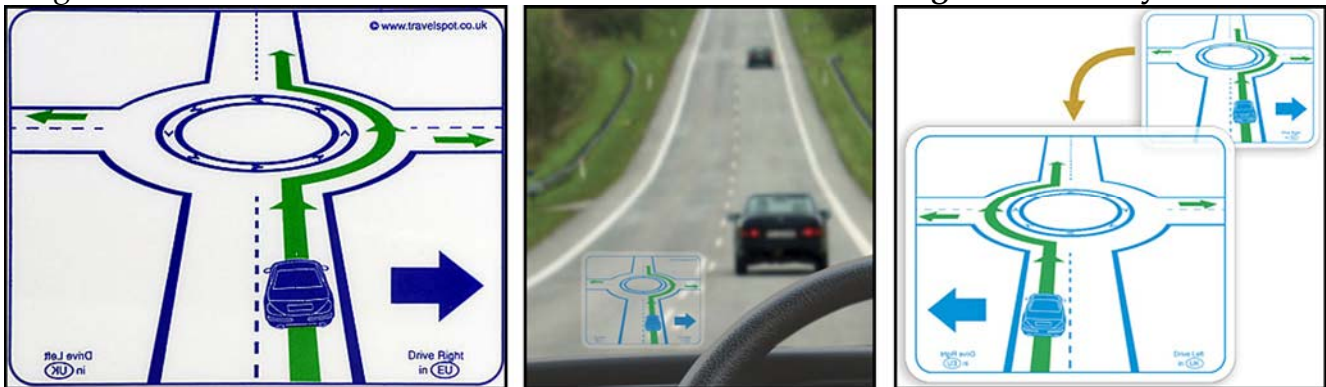
Happily, Chas’ technique for overcoming her UK driving panic attacks works equally well for left-side driving Twilighters visiting the US or Canada. Each time you get behind the wheel, take a few minutes to breathe slowly and deeply while chanting,

“Drive on the **Right Side** ... Turn to the **Right Side**.”

Upon your return home, reverse the chant.

### **Here’s a Helpful Right-Side Driving Device**

When seeking additional tips to share with Twilighters from left-side driving countries we found several great online articles. One of them introduced us to the **Driveright Lane Safety Device**.



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“Invest in a Driveright Lane Safety Device—a transparent sticker with an image of a car driving on the right side of the road that will be a helpful constant reminder of the different traffic rules and will keep you focused. It can be used many times and simply be reversed when the driver is back in the UK [or other left-side driving country] in order to correspond to the obligation to drive on the left there.”

This is a marvelous sticker! Designed to assist UK drivers when traveling in Europe, it will work equally well for any left-side driving visitor to the US or Canada. Made of clear rubber that sticks to the windshield without any adhesive, it’s reusable and can be transferred from rental vehicle to home vehicle. Because it can be flipped over to show the **Drive Left** side, Chas plans to buy one for her next UK trip.

## *Tour the Twilight Saga* TwiTips: Right-Side Driving Dilemma

The Driveright sticker is available from the UK's **Travel Spot** company [£3.95 (\$6.60)] or from **Amazon.co.uk** [£3.41 (\$5.70)]. We couldn't find it on the US, Canadian, or Australian Amazon websites. But, according to the **Drive-Right.eu** website, the sticker also is available from, "Halfords, AA and most cross-channel ferries."

<http://www.travelspot.co.uk/product-driveright.html>

<http://www.amazon.co.uk/Driveright-Safety-Sticker-Travelling-Abroad/dp/B003GU6I2K>

<http://www.drive-right.eu/buy.html>

Lastly, below are some other online articles containing tips for Twilighters from left-side driving countries. The more you read before Twilighting in the Olympic Peninsula, the more comfortable you'll be when driving in the US and Canada.

### **How to Adjust to Driving a Car on the Right Side of the Road**

<http://www.wikihow.com/Adjust-to-Driving-a-Car-on-the-Right-Side-of-the-Road>

### **Driving on the "Wrong" Side of the Road—a Guide for British Drivers**

[http://h2g2.com/edited\\_entry/A4122811](http://h2g2.com/edited_entry/A4122811)

### **California Driving: Driving on the "Wrong" Side of the Road**

<http://www.caldrive.com/wrongside.html>