

Ready to Go Global?

A Roadmap for Expanding Your Shopify Store Internationally

1. Identify your target markets

- Go into Shopify analytics and review the “sessions by locations” data
- List the top 5 countries in terms of the number of sales and amount of traffic
- Based on your findings, choose 1-2 to start targeting

2. Offer prices in your target markets' currencies

- Research your target markets' currencies
- Navigate to Shopify Payments settings > add a new country/region
- Install [Shopify's Geolocation app](#) and enable the widget to pop up at the center of shoppers' screens
- Navigate to Shopify Payment settings > tax calculations, then check the “include or exclude tax based on your customer's country” and “charge tax on shipping rates” boxes

3. Set up international shipping

- Check your shipping carrier's international rates and options
- Create a new shipping zone in your Shipping settings
- Add shipping speeds to your international shipping options
- Limit international shoppers' ability to purchase bulky items with expensive shipping
- Experiment with higher product prices with cheaper international shipping and vice versa

4. Translate your store

- Research [Shopify apps](#) that automatically translate your store for international shoppers
- Or hire a [Shopify translation partner](#) (focusing on your high-traffic products and pages first)
- Enable the relevant languages based on your chosen target markets

5. Create your global marketing strategy

- Brainstorm in-language regional marketing campaigns or localize existing campaigns
- Research what the international customer funnel looks like
- Make sure all dynamic ads that target international shoppers use their specific language and show prices in their currency