

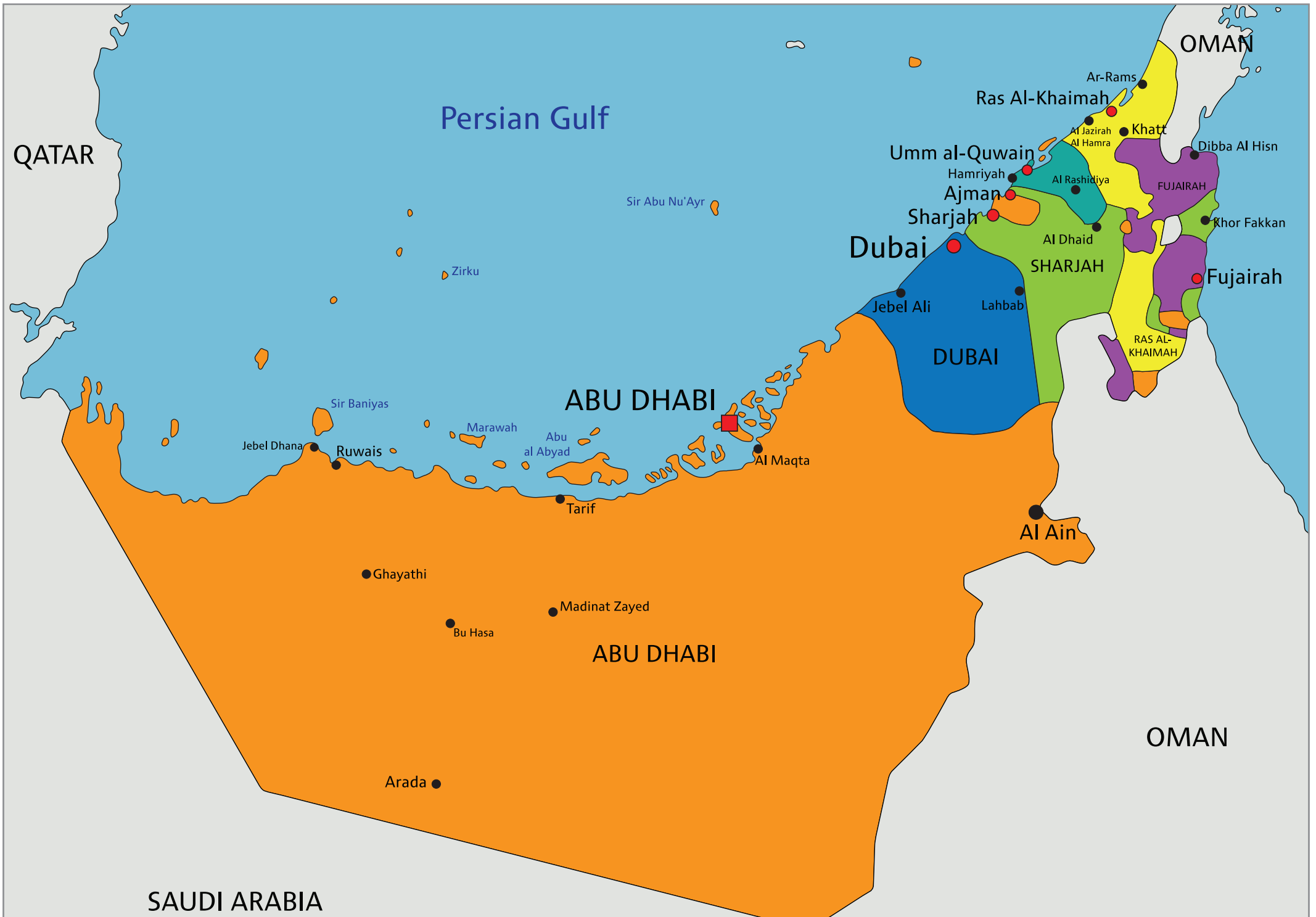


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city TOURS

Each city in the United Arab Emirates is a unique combination of tradition and modernity. From mega structures to sprawling malls, historic souks to distinguished mosques, each of the seven Emirates has something different and memorable. Orient Tours invites you to a breathtaking journey through these cities, giving you a sumptuous experience of culture, history, monuments, natural and man-made developments.



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1 THE GOLDEN CITY DUBAI CITY TOUR



Sample the historic sites and vibrant cosmopolitan life of Dubai on this comprehensive tour. The tour starts in the Jumeirah district with a photo-stop near the iconic sail-shaped **Burj Al Arab** hotel. Continue along Jumeirah beach, the picturesque palace and residential area of Dubai, home to the impressive **Jumeirah Mosque**. Drive next to **Al Bastakiya**, the old part of Dubai, and reach Dubai Museum located in **Al Fahidi Fort**. Embark an **Abra** (water taxi) to cross the Creek to the **spice souk** where the fragrances of the orient come together. Before you return, there is time to shop in the most famous landmark of Dubai – the **Gold Souk**.

Schedule: Afternoon – Daily | Morning – Mon, Wed, Sat | **Duration:** 4-5 hours (approx.)
Transportation: Sedan/Bus | **Inclusions:** Entrance fees, Abra ride

2 PEARL OF THE GULF SHARJAH CITY TOUR



This tour will take you to Dubai's neighboring emirate of Sharjah, known as the 'Pearl of the Gulf'. Start your tour from picturesque **Buhairah Corniche** with a photo-stop at the magnificent **Al Noor Mosque** before proceeding to the largest mosque in Sharjah, **King Faisal Mosque** for some pictures. Next visit the **Islamic Civilization Museum**, celebrating Islamic contribution to the World Heritage. Then drive to Sharjah's 'Old Town' for a stroll through the restored traditional **Souk Al Arsa** market. Visit **Sharjah Heritage Museum** for a glimpse of a traditional family home and typical Arabian Gulf architecture. The last stop before returning is at **Souk Al Markazi** – a treasure trove of carpets, jewellery and handicrafts.

Schedule: Morning – Wed | **Duration:** 5-4 hours (approx.)
Transportation: Sedan/Bus | **Inclusions:** Entrance fees

3 THE GARDEN CITY DAY TOUR TO AL AIN



Enjoy a great drive to the UNESCO-listed 'Garden City' of Al Ain, enroute watching fascinating and ever-changing desert scenery. On arrival, visit **Zayed Old Palace** birthplace of H.H. late Sheikh Zayed, UAE's founding President. Next visit the award-winning **Al Jahili Fort** to view the permanent exhibition dedicated to the intrepid British explorer, Wilfred Thesiger. Thereafter UAE's oldest **Al Ain National Museum** reveals artefacts from the 6th Century BC. Head to the heritage site of **Al Ain Oasis** where you are informed about the Falaj, an ancient underground irrigation system. Afterwards enjoy a photo session at the local **camel market**, the largest in the region. Stop for lunch then make a final visit to the foot of **Jebel Hafeet** Mountain for a look at the popular **hot springs**.

Schedule: Sat | **Duration:** 8-9 hours (approx.)
Transportation: Sedan/Bus | **Inclusions:** Entrance fees, Buffet or Set Menu Lunch

4 THE ARABIAN JEWEL DAY TOUR TO ABU DHABI



Discover the highlights of UAE's capital, Abu Dhabi on this tour. The first destination is **Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque**, one of the largest mosques in the world. Continue to the **Sheikh Zayed Centre** (Date Market on Saturdays) for a glimpse into the private life of H.H. the late Sheikh Zayed. Your next stop is the **Heritage Village** where you will take a step back in time to explore life in the Emirates before discovery of oil. Drive along the beautiful Corniche before passing through the cultural hub of **Saadiyat Island**, home to the stunning Louvre Abu Dhabi Museum. At the nearby leisure and entertainment district of **Yas Island**, you have time for a final photo-stop near the world's first **Ferrari World** theme park.

Note: Dress Code is loose, long trousers or skirts reaching ankles and long sleeves reaching wrists. Shoulders must be covered. No shorts, tight or transparent clothing, no visible tattoos. Women must bring a scarf to cover their heads.

Schedule: Daily except Fri | **Duration:** 8-9 hours (approx.)
Transportation: Sedan/Bus | **Inclusions:** Entrance fees

5 ORIENT EXPRESS DAY TOUR TO UAE'S EAST COAST



Drive east through the oasis city of **Al Dhaid**, renowned for its fruit and vegetable plantations to reach **Masafi**, where you will have time to browse the 'Friday Market'. Admire the rugged Hajar Mountains en route to the village of **Dibba**, with time for a wander around the small **port**. The drive continues along the picturesque coast passing small fishing villages. Enjoy **lunch** at a local beach resort, with time for a relaxing swim in the Indian Ocean. Afterwards the tour continues to **Al Badiyah**, the oldest mosque in the Emirates. In Fujairah City, you will stop at the renovated **Old Fort** for photos. Before returning there is a last stop at the verdant oasis of **Bithnah**.

Note: Please carry swimwear and any accessories.

Schedule: Fri | **Duration:** 8-9 hours (approx.)

Transportation: Sedan/Bus | **Inclusions:** Entrance fees, Buffet or Set Menu Lunch

6 EMIRATI IMPRESSIONS DAY TOUR OF DUBAI'S VIBRANT HISTORY AND CULTURE



Spend a rewarding day experiencing Dubai and the UAE's history and culture starting in **Al Seef** district whence the city spread. Retrace the steps of fishermen and pearl divers as you wander through the Sikkas lining water's edge. Stroll through Dubai's oldest **Bastakiya** Quarter enroute to **Dubai Museum** located in the 1787 built Al Fahidi Fort. Watch a vibrant trade in **Souk Al Kabeer** before boarding an **Abra** across Dubai Creek. Walk through the **Spice Souk** with its overflowing sacks of fragrant spices and herbs brought in from India and Iran. Work up an appetite then enjoy lunch at an **Emirati restaurant**. Drive to **Zabeel Palace** for a photo-stop outside the home of Dubai's Ruler. Stop at the 21st century **Ethad Museum**; be enthralled with the story of UAE's formation told via a unique experience-driven journey exploring the events leading to unification in 1971. Finally, see **Union House** where the documents of unification were signed.

Schedule: Thursday | **Duration:** 7-8 hours (approx.) | **Transportation:** Sedan/Bus | **Inclusions:** Entrance fees, Abra ride, Buffet or Set Menu Lunch

7 VISIONS OF DUBAI DUBAI'S PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE



This afternoon drive to **Dubai Marina**, the world's largest man-made marina for a thrilling 90-minute **RIB cruise** towards **Palm Jumeirah Island**. Snap photos of Dubai's unique seascapes and structures such as Cayan 'Twisted' Tower, Ain Dubai the world's largest Ferris Wheel on Bluewaters Island and of course the US\$1.5b Atlantis resort. Drive along Sheikh Zayed Road to view some of Dubai's iconic architectural landmarks. At Zabeel Park visit Dubai's latest attraction – **Dubai Frame**. Soaring 150m high and connected by a 100m bridge with a partial glass floor, Dubai Frame offers stunning 360° views of Dubai's **Old Quarter** to one side and its **futuristic skyline** to the other. Relish a **Coffee** on the skybridge with a backdrop of the picturesque Dubai Creek. Returning to terra-firma, a small exhibition highlights Dubai's astonishing plans for the future, leaving you with much food for thought.

Schedule: Afternoon – Sat | **Duration:** 4-5 hours (approx.)

Transportation: Sedan/Bus and RIB | **Inclusions:** Marina cruise, Entrance fees, Coffee

8 MIDDLE EASTERN FOOD TRAIL AN ORIENTAL CULINARY EXPERIENCE



Indulge in popular Middle Eastern flavors on this journey by foot around old Dubai, starting in the **Bastakiya Old Quarter**. Visit the region's only **Coffee Museum** to learn about regional and global coffee history and a cup of **Gahwa** to kickstart your tour. Stop at a traditional Café, in cool and relaxed contrast to its busy street setting for a Lebanese breakfast favorite, **Cheese** or **Zaatar Manakeesh**. Stroll past Al Fahidi Fort into the bustling **Souk Al Kabeer** where a brisk trade in garments and spices is afoot. Enjoy a delightfully refreshing **Lemon-Mint juice** then discover a Creek-side hidden gem where you dig into a shared platter of **Arabic Mezzeh** whilst watching Abra boats crisscross Dubai Creek. This traditional craft brings you to Deira where a stroll to a popular creek-side restaurant is rewarded with a **Shawarma** or **Falafel**, the most ubiquitous of Arab street foods. No Middle Eastern journey is complete without exploring **Emirati cuisine**. Your final stop at an Emirati restaurant seduces with subtle Oriental flavors, where the delicate fragrances stay with you long after the meal.

Schedule: Afternoon – Sun to Thu | **Duration:** 4 hours (approx.) | **Transportation:** Walking | **Inclusions:** Abra ride, Food, Non-alcoholic Beverage



9 A GLIMPSE OF HISTORY DUBAI HERITAGE WALK



Experience the nostalgia of yesteryears Dubai during a walk through one of its important heritage sites. We start in the Old Quarter of **Al Bastakiya** with its narrow lanes and superbly restored Barjeel Wind-tower houses. Continue to **Dubai Museum** located in Al Fahidi Fort then stroll through endearingly traditional **Souk Al Kabeer**. Visit **Sheikh Saeed's house**, built in 1894 and now an interesting heritage museum. The last stop today is at **Heritage & Diving Village** celebrating the rich maritime heritage of Dubai and highlighting the traditional coastal life and customs of UAE's renowned pearl diving and fishing communities from an earlier era.

Schedule: Morning – Tue | **Duration:** 4 hours (approx.)
Transportation: Walking | **Inclusions:** Entrance fees

10 ESSENCE OF ARABIA DAY TOUR OF ABU DHABI'S MARVELLOUS HIGHLIGHTS



Join this marvellous tour for a chance to visit the Louvre Abu Dhabi Museum, take pictures of Emirates Palace Hotel and visit the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque. The journey to Abu Dhabi's breathtaking cultural highlights starts at **Louvre Abu Dhabi**. Here you will have two immersive hours to experience the story of humanity told through twelve galleries curated masterfully in partnership with the world's most visited museum, The Louvre, Paris. Designed by renowned French architect Jean Nouvel, the stunning floating dome of light and shade is a photographer's delight. Enjoy **delicious lunch** at a local five-star hotel then drive along the Corniche water-front promenade to the artificial breakwater for picture postcard photos of the iconic **Emirates Palace Hotel**, a stunning vision of luxury that no visitor to the capital should miss. Your final visit on this tour will be the opulent **Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque**, one of the largest in the world, with capacity to accommodate an astonishing 40,000 worshippers.

Note: Dress Code is loose, long trousers or skirts reaching ankles and long sleeves reaching wrists. Shoulders must be covered. No shorts, tight or transparent clothing, no visible tattoos. Women must bring a scarf to cover their heads.

Schedule: Tuesday | **Duration:** 8-9 hours (approx.)
Transportation: Sedan/Bus
Inclusions: Entrance fees, Buffet or Set Menu Lunch

11 THE ROYAL CONNECTION DAY TOUR OF ROYAL ABU DHABI



This exciting new tour offers visitors the opportunity to visit one of the World's few working Palaces in UAE's capital city. A leisurely journey brings you to the green, island city of Abu Dhabi in 90 minutes. Visit the recently renovated **Qasr Al Hosn**, former residence of Abu Dhabi's ruling Al-Nahyan family and the site of the island's only fresh water well. The **Fort and Watchtower** built in 1790s as well as the surrounding Palace built from coral stone bricks in the 1940s are a living testimonial of Abu Dhabi's history. Afterwards head to another highlight, the Presidential Palace, **Qasr Al Watan**, whose exquisite artisanship celebrates the region's rich cultural heritage. After a guided tour, there is time to take photographs or choose from a range of beautifully crafted **souvenirs** in the Palace gift shop. Your final visit on this tour will be to the opulent **Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque**, one of the largest in the world. Funded by H.H. late Sheikh Zayed Al Nahyan, former President of the UAE and brought to fruition by UAE's current President H.H. Sheikh Khalifa Al Nahyan, the US\$1b Grand Mosque boasts Swarovski chandeliers, hand woven carpets and breathtaking marble work inlaid with precious stones from around the world.

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Schedule: Wednesday | **Duration:** 8-9 hours (approx.)
Transportation: Sedan/Bus
Inclusions: Entrance fees, Buffet or Set Menu Lunch

12 DUBAI HIGHLIGHTS IN A DAY DUBAI CITY TOUR, BURJ KHALIFA AND AFTERNOON DESERT SAFARI

This combination tour offers a multi-faceted experience of the megalopolis of Dubai. Sample historic sites and vibrant cosmopolitan living in the Jumeirah district, view the iconic **Burj Al Arab** hotel and impressive **Jumeirah Mosque**, stroll around **Bastakiya Old Quarter** and visit **Dubai Museum** located in Al Fahidi Fort. Sail an **Abra** taxi across Dubai creek to Deira district to browse the **Spice Souk** and shop at the **Gold Souk**, Dubai's most famous landmark. Afterwards explore Dubai Mall and visit 'At The Top' Level 124 of **Burj Khalifa**, the World's tallest building. It's time now to embark on the last leg of your Dubai adventure. An exciting **dune drive** takes you across the Arabian Desert with several photo-stops including visit to a **camel farm** to learn about the 'Ships of the Desert'. Watch a fascinating **falcon show** followed by a spectacular sunset at our traditional Arabian Campsite. Experience brief camel rides, try sand boarding and get a **henna tattoo** then relax with **Gahwa** (Arabic coffee) or a **Shisha** (water-pipe). Live entertainment shows include a mesmerizing **Tanoura** folk dance and a **fire blower** act. Take a break to enjoy a delicious **barbecue dinner** before being enthralled by an exotic **belly dancer** who brings the evening to a close.

Schedule: Mon, Wed, Sat | **Duration:** 12 hours (approx.) | **Transportation:** 4WD Jeep, Sedan/Bus, Abra ride | **Inclusions:** Entrance fees, BBQ Buffet Dinner, Camp activities, Live entertainment



desert & mountain **SAFARIS**

Deserts are a dominant landscape in the UAE - from the massive rolling dunes in the Empty Quarter to flat sandy plains stretching towards the mountains. With us you can explore all kinds of activities including dune bashing, quad biking, scenic sunrises, spectacular sunsets and exploratory drives into wadis (dry river beds). These off road experiences, provided by trained and highly experienced professionals, allow an opportunity to explore UAE's natural rugged surroundings and provide an insight into Arabia's diversity.



13 DESERT WONDER AFTERNOON DESERT SAFARI, ENTERTAINMENT & DINNER



This tour departs across the Arabian Desert with photo-stops during an exciting **dune drive**. Stop at a **camel farm** to learn about the 'Ships of the Desert' then continue to a fascinating Falcon show and interaction with the falconer. A spectacular sunset welcomes you at our traditional **Arabian Campsite** with 'Gahwa' Arabic coffee and local dates. Experience a brief camel ride, try sand boarding and get a **henna tattoo** then relax with a **Shisha** water-pipe. Whet your appetite with a Shawarma or Falafil sandwich, both popular local snacks before settling in to watch the evening's live entertainment. A mesmerizing **Tanoura** traditional folk dance is followed by an enthralling **fire blower show**. Take a break and enjoy a delicious **barbecue dinner**. Later a tantalizing **belly dance** performed under the starlit sky brings the evening to a close.

Schedule: Afternoon – Daily | **Duration:** 5-6 hours (approx.)

Transportation: 4WD Jeep

Inclusions: BBQ Buffet Dinner, Camp activities, Live Entertainment

Option: Experience an adventurous Overnight stay at our Campsite; Add Camping in Igloo Tents

At night, Camp staff will help extend your amazing adventure by providing igloo tents and sleeping bags. Rise early morning to a glorious sunrise followed by a tasty Arabian Breakfast.

14 SCENIC SIGHTS MORNING HATTA SAFARI



Start your tour with a scenic drive in a rugged 4WD vehicle to reach the desert. A short drive over the pristine dunes brings you to your first activity; an interactive Falcon show with time to converse with the falconer to learn about the UAE's national bird. Savor a **Picnic Breakfast** amidst the high dunes then continue past two unusual rock formations deep in the desert, namely **Fossil Rock** and **Camel Rock** to reach the oasis town of Hatta nestled amidst the imposing Hajar Mountains. The **Honeybee Garden** is your first stop in Hatta where you learn all about the fascinating art of beekeeping and honey making. Afterwards make your way to **Hatta Dam** affording amazing views to make many a shutterbug happy. Later a visit to the **Heritage Village** allows time to explore the country's past at this open-air museum. From here, you drive back to the city.

Schedule: Morning – Daily except Fri | **Duration:** 6-7 hours (approx.)

Transportation: 4WD Jeep | **Inclusions:** Picnic Breakfast, Entrance fees



15 THE ADVENTURER MORNING DESERT SAFARI WITH ARABIAN BREAKFAST



If you fancy an early morning **desert expedition** complete with camels, falcons and an enticing Arabian Breakfast in the desert, this tour is for you. Escape the city, heading east into the Arabian Desert, boasting spectacular landscapes and rolling sand dunes. The rugged 4x4 Jeeps take off on an **adrenalin-filled** drive over soft sand dunes and into the wilderness. The fun continues at our **Arabian Desert Campsite** where you experience a traditional welcome with 'Gahwa', Arabic coffee and local dates. Take selfies with a fascinating **Falcon** and interact with the falconer to learn more about UAE's national bird. Enjoy **sand boarding**, brief camel rides and **'Shisha'**, the Arabic water-pipe before partaking from a delicious **Arabian Breakfast** comprising local and regional items. Afterwards a pleasant drive brings you back. Truly a great way to invigorate your senses with plenty of fun, food and sun.

Schedule: Morning – Daily | **Duration:** 4 hours (approx.)

Transportation: 4WD Jeep | **Inclusions:** Camel ride, Light Refreshments, Arabian Breakfast

16 1001 ARABIAN STARS OVERNIGHT DESERT SAFARI WITH PRIVATE CABIN



Your private Jeep traverses the Arabian Desert stopping for photos during an exciting **dune drive**. Passing a **camel farm**, you stop for a briefing on the 'Ships of the Desert' then watch a fascinating Falcon show and interact with the falconer. At our traditional **Arabian campsite** a spectacular sunset welcomes you with 'Gahwa' Arabic coffee and local dates. Experience a brief camel ride, try sand boarding and get a **henna tattoo** then relax with a **Shisha**. Whet your appetite with a Shawarma or Falafil sandwich, both popular local snacks before settling in to watch the evening's live entertainment comprising a traditional **Tanoura** folk dance followed by an enthralling **fire blower** act. Afterwards a delicious **barbecue dinner** precedes an alluring **belly dance** performed under the starlit sky. As evening turns into night, retire to your private **Ensuite Cabin** for a restful sleep. Awaken refreshed from a deep slumber in time for a glorious sunrise or later to the aroma of fresh coffee and a delicious **Arabian Breakfast** comprising local and regional items. All too soon, it is time to return.

Schedule: Afternoon/Overnight – Daily | **Duration:** 18 hours (approx.)

Transportation: 4WD Jeep | **Inclusions:** BBQ Buffet Dinner, Live Entertainment, Camel ride, Ensuite Cabin, Arabian Breakfast

17 THE SUNRISER SUNRISE DESERT SAFARI AND FALCON SHOW



Welcome a new day the Arabian way when you experience the serenity of a beautiful sunrise atop a dune in the middle of the desert. Joining our Sunriser safari, you are picked up in a 4WD vehicle for a scenic drive to the heart of the desert. Get ready to watch a glorious **sunrise** behind the undulating sand dunes and the imposing **Hajar Mountains** in the distance. Enjoy a **picnic breakfast** seated in traditional Arabic style. Afterwards experience a thrilling **Falcon show** amidst the dunes as our expert falconer swings the lure to display the hunting skills of UAE's national bird. Learn more about these magnificent birds of prey and get up close and personal for a few happy clicks. Afterwards a brief but exciting dune drive through the desert brings you back to civilization.

Schedule: Morning – Daily | **Duration:** 4 hours (approx.)

Transportation: 4WD Jeep | **Inclusions:** Picnic breakfast

18 ROMANCING THE DUNES ROMANTIC DINNER IN THE DUNES



Surprise a loved one or rekindle old flames on this ultimate romantic desert trip. Escape into the wilderness of the Arabian Desert in the privacy of your Jeep for an **adventure** like no other. Conquer the majestic dunes on a thrilling ride, making occasional photo-stops. Passing a **camel farm**, you stop to watch the languid 'Ships of the Desert'; your professional desert guide provides a briefing. Enroute watch a **glorious sunset**, arriving at a secluded dune in the heart of the desert at twilight. Disembark and stretch your legs whilst an exclusive Arabian-style seating is set up with cushions and a carpet surrounded by lanterns. Enjoy **Arabian hospitality** with local dates, **Gahwa**, Arabic coffee and a Shisha. Rediscover each other over glasses of non-alc **sparkling beverage and crudites** as your Chef fires up the grill. Old memories surface and flames reignite over a mouthwatering dinner of **Salads, Arabic Bread and live Barbecue**. You will wish the evening would not end but all too soon, it is time to go back to civilization. But not before you carry back a **beautiful memento** of your romantic shared journey of discovery.



Schedule: Afternoon – Daily | **Duration:** 5-6 hours (approx.) | **Transportation:** 4WD Jeep | **Inclusions:** Light refreshments, BBQ dinner, Memento

19 TOP GEAR: ORIENT EDITION DESERT SELF DRIVE; JEEPS, BIKES & BUGGIES



Brace yourself for an exhilarating experience as you ride into the **desert wilderness** in your chosen 'Ship of the Desert'. Embark on this epic adventure with an approximately 60-minute journey from the city to reach the serene sands where an experienced off-road professional instructor is standing by your assigned vehicle to put you through the paces. Hold on to your seats; your **ultimate desert adventure** is about to begin. After a safety briefing, you are off in a convoy on a **roller-coaster** ride for over an hour as your rugged vehicle sails over the **soft sand dunes**, deep into the pristine desert terrain. Stop for a few photos before journeying to our Arabian campsite. Have a go at sand boarding then rejuvenate yourself with **refreshments** before trying a **camel ride** or a Shisha whilst sipping Arabic coffee in the traditions of the Bedouins. A delicious **Arabian Breakfast** comprising local and regional items is served. Later return to the City after what will surely be a memorable and fun-filled adventure.

Schedule: Morning – Daily | **Duration:** 4 hours (approx.)
Transportation: 4WD Jeep/Quad Bike/Dune Buggy (45 mins)
Inclusions: Light refreshments, Arabian Breakfast

Note: Participants must strictly observe all safety instructions issued by their instructor at all times.

20 ENCOUNTER WITH NATURE UAE'S NORTHERN MOUNTAINS & INDIAN OCEAN

This unique excursion offers an all-day opportunity to get up close and personal with the stark natural beauty of UAE's east coast. From dizzying heights of the **Hajar Mountains** to the cool depths of a **coastal cruise**, your memories will be unforgettable. Start the adventure with an early morning drive east towards the **Musandam Peninsula**. Continue to rugged **Wadi Bih**, dubbed the Grand Canyon of UAE, for an impressive look at the stony, jagged peaks rising more than a thousand meters up. Take a **Picnic Breakfast** overlooking a nearby dam before climbing through unpaved, **twisting trails** to reach the highest point. Soak in the magnificent vistas of quaint **stone houses** snuggled between jagged folds of the mountains. Make a refreshment stop before driving to **Dibba fishing village**. Embark a traditional wooden Dhow sailing north along the picturesque coastline. Enjoy a refreshing welcome drink whilst exploring the craggy coast. The Dhow lazily cruises the languid waters of the Arabian Gulf, reaching a secluded anchorage. Here you try **snorkeling, swimming and kayaking**. A **local lunch** comprising regional and Asian items is served aboard followed by more cruising to visit a nearby cave to admire the natural formation. Later a leisurely sail returns you to the harbor for a pleasant drive back.

Note: Participants must provide clear, color passport copies 72 hours prior to the tour and must carry their original Passport with them during the tour.

Option: Experience 2 Countries, 3 Terrains; Add Desert Wonder

Following your journey across the mountains and the seas, you also have the possibility* to add a desert experience to this excursion, ending with BBQ dinner and live entertainment at our Arabian Desert campsite in Dubai.

*Sea conditions permitting; guests wishing to join the Desert Wonder tour will be transferred back to the harbor by speedboat.

Schedule: Daily except Friday | **Duration:** 9 hours (approx.) | **Transportation:** 4WD Jeep, Dhow/Speedboat | **Inclusions:** Light refreshments, Picnic breakfast, Buffet lunch



21 THE EMPTY QUARTER LIWA DESERT OVERNIGHT CAMPING SAFARI



The historic oasis settlement of Liwa on the edge of the Rub Al Khali, the Empty Quarter, is a big draw for visitors with a penchant for adventure. Journey into the vast unknown after lunch, as a rugged Jeep whisks you to the **Liwa desert** on the outskirts of Abu Dhabi. Arriving at the fringes of the **Empty Quarter**, you navigate pristine desert terrain that has remained unchanged for centuries, reaching a secluded **camping site** in the middle of the rolling dunes. Stretch your legs on comfortable **rugs and cushions** whilst sipping a **sparkling beverage** and enjoy **light snacks**. A Shisha enhances the evening vibe. The silence is broken by the sizzle of crackling coal as the enticing aroma of fresh **barbeque** fragrances the air. Dig into a spread of **Arabic bread, salads and succulent meats**. Afterwards attend a short briefing on Arabian wildlife, the topography of Rub Al Khali and discuss plans for an exciting day to follow. A telescope aids your stargazing experience. Contemplate nomadic life as the desert winds caress you into a deep slumber beneath the canopy of a million stars. Awaken to the aroma of fresh coffee and a hearty **Continental breakfast**. Pack up camp before exploring the nearby Liwa dunes, hoping for a chance encounter with wildlife. Drive to Madinat Zayed district for a wander around the **date plantation**. Sample local dates and fruits in the **Souk** before returning with a head full of memories.

Schedule: Afternoon/Overnight – Daily

Duration: 18 hours (approx.) | **Transportation:** 4WD Jeep

Inclusions: Light refreshments, BBQ dinner, Continental breakfast, Sleeping bag, Igloo tent

22 ON THE BEDOUIN'S TRAIL DESERT TREK ON CAMEL BACK & ARABIAN BREAKFAST



One of our signature products, this little gem is for early birds. The breathtaking sight of undulating **desert dunes** against the backdrop of the **rising sun**, and the vast natural expanse beneath your feet invigorate your senses. Your rugged 4WD vehicle traverses a variety of surfaces; tarmac gives way to packed earth then soft sand. The desert comes alive to the golden glow of a rapidly warming sun filling the sky. Switch from the modern 'Ship of the Desert' to the traditional as the next part of your journey is made atop an expertly guided **camel's hump**. This unique vantage position makes for superb photos. Drink in the serene sights and sounds of the **Arabian Desert** as the hypnotic sway of the camel fires your imagination, bringing alive ancient journeys made by local Bedouins since times immemorial. Reaching our Desert campsite, a tasty **Arabian breakfast** replete with hot and cold soft beverages satiates your appetite. Afterwards a pleasant drive brings you back to civilization.

Schedule: Morning – Daily | **Duration:** 4 hours (approx.)

Transportation: 4WD Jeep, Camel back (30-40 mins) | **Inclusions:** Light refreshments, Arabian breakfast

23 DUBAI HIGHLIGHTS IN A DAY MORNING BREAKFAST SAFARI, BURJ KHALIFA AND DUBAI CITY TOUR



There's nothing quite like an early morning **desert expedition** complete with camels, falcons and an enticing Arabian Breakfast in the desert to invigorate your senses. Escape the city into the Arabian Desert, boasting spectacular landscapes and rolling sand dunes for an **adrenalin-filled drive**. The fun continues at our **Desert Campsite** where you take selfies with a fascinating **Falcon** and interact with the falconer to learn more about UAE's national bird. Enjoy **sand boarding**, brief camel rides and **Shisha** before partaking of a delicious **Arabian Breakfast** comprising local and regional items. Returning to the city, explore Dubai Mall and visit 'At The Top' Level 124 of **Burj Khalifa**, the World's tallest building. It's time now to embark on the last leg of your Dubai adventure. A guided tour offers a multi-faceted experience of the megalopolis of Dubai. Sample historic sites and vibrant cosmopolitan living in the Jumeirah district, view the iconic **Burj Al Arab** hotel and impressive **Jumeirah Mosque**, stroll around **Bastakiya** Old Quarter and visit **Dubai Museum** located in Al Fahidi Fort. Sail an **Abra** taxi across Dubai creek to Deira district to browse the **Spice Souk** and shop at the **Gold Souk**, Dubai's most famous landmark.

Schedule: Daily | **Duration:** 10 hours (approx.)

Transportation: 4WD Jeep, Sedan/Bus, Abra ride

Inclusions: Light refreshments, Arabian breakfast, Entrance fees

24 SUN, SAND & SEA STOPOVER SUNRISE SAFARI, FALCON SHOW AND PALM JUMEIRAH EXPLORER CRUISE

Experience the serenity of a beautiful sunrise in the middle of the Arabian Desert when you join the Sunrider. Asphalt gives way to soft sand as a scenic drive brings you into the desert. Enjoy a **picnic breakfast** seated in traditional Arabic style then watch a thrilling **Falcon show**. An expert falconer swings the lure to display the hunting skills of UAE's national bird. Witness a glorious **sunrise** behind the undulating sand dunes against a backdrop of the imposing **Hajar Mountains**. Afterwards a brief but exciting **desert drive** brings you back to civilization. Having enjoyed amazing natural landscapes, prepare now to be amazed by what human ingenuity has achieved on Dubai's coast. A leisurely **90-minute cruise** takes you inside **Palm Jumeirah**, a completely man-made archipelago jutting 11km (6.8mi) out into the Arabian Gulf. Click photos of various world-class luxury resorts such as the US\$1.5b **Atlantis Resort**, plush celebrity villas and other attractions built on the trunk, fronds and crescent that make up this amazing palm tree-shaped marvel of engineering.

Schedule: Daily | **Duration:** 6 hours (approx.)

Transportation: 4WD Jeep, Glass Boat, Sedan/Bus

Inclusions: Light refreshments, Picnic breakfast, Cruise



aerial & cruising excursions



Experiencing the Emirates' dramatic skylines from a unique aerial perspective or its seascapes through its enchanting waterways, providing visitors with unforgettable views. Taste Arabian hospitality aboard a traditional dhow, enjoy a luxury cruise along Dubai Marina to view some of the iconic architecture in the emirate or sail leisurely along the Gulf of Oman to explore the fjords of Musandam.



25 SINDBAD'S JOURNEY DUBAI CREEK DHOW DINNER CRUISE



For a fabulous relaxing evening, join our **charming Arabian Dhow**. As you step aboard the traditionally built vessel, you are sure to be delighted by the modern and comfortable interior. Immerse yourself in the atmosphere, as soft **Arabic music** fills the air. Enjoy **refreshments** as the Dhow gently slips its moorings. Sit back, relax and enjoy live entertainment as you dig in to a sumptuous **international buffet dinner** as you glide past some of Dubai's inspiring heritage sites, souks and palaces.

Schedule: Evening – Daily
Duration: 2 hours (approx.)
Transportation: Traditional wooden Dhow
Inclusions: Light refreshments, Buffet dinner

26 NEW DUBAI CANAL DUBAI WATER CANAL DHOW DINNER CRUISE

Enjoy a scenic evening cruise along the newly built **Dubai Canal** aboard our contemporary Arabian Dhow framing stunning views of New Dubai's superbly illuminated skyline. With icons such as **Burj Khalifa**, the world's tallest building, the twin towers of the world's tallest hotel, **Marriott Marquis** and the colorful new **Tolerance Bridge**, this cruise has it all. Departing from the Festival City district, sail towards the dazzling **waterfall** beneath Sheikh Zayed Road whilst enjoying an **international 5-star-buffet** with live cooking stations. Afterwards, experience a mesmerizing Tanoura dance show before returning to the pier.

Schedule: Evening – Daily
Duration: 2 hours (approx.)
Transportation: Traditional wooden Dhow
Inclusions: Light refreshments, Buffet dinner



27 RESPLENDENT MARINA DUBAI MARINA DHOW DINNER CRUISE



Step aboard our contemporary Dhow for a panoramic dinner cruise including a delicious **international buffet dinner** and spectacular views of New Dubai's vibrant skyline. The cruise offers photo opportunities of some of the most prominent **architectural wonders** of Dubai including the beautifully lit skyscrapers of **Dubai Marina**, the luxury resorts along picturesque **Jumeirah beach** and the magnificent artificially reclaimed **Palm Jumeirah Island**.

Schedule: Evening – Daily
Duration: 2 hours (approx.)
Transportation: Traditional wooden Dhow
Inclusions: Light refreshments, Buffet dinner

28 CREEK MAGIC BATEAUX DUBAI CREEK DINNER CRUISE



For elegant dining and unique sightseeing, join the 'Al Minsaf' **panoramic cruise**. The restaurant walls are made entirely of glass and offer unobstructed views of the bustling life on Dubai Creek. Onboard Menu selection combines **Eastern and Western specialities**, freshly prepared by the Chef on board. Enjoy **live music and entertainment** whilst gently cruising down the Creek past historic and cultural places of interest.

Dress Code: Smart casual or national dress. Slippers and shorts are not allowed. Children 5 years and above are permitted.

Schedule: Evening – Daily | **Duration:** 2.5 hours (approx.)
Transportation: Luxury glass-walled cruise vessel
Inclusions: Light refreshments, Set Menu dinner

29 MYSTIC MUSANDAM MUSANDAM SEA SAFARI

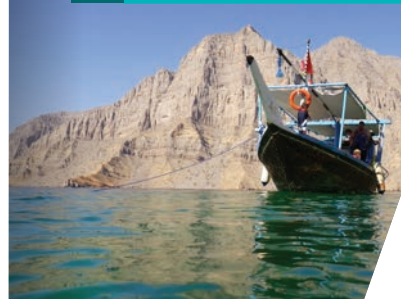
Enjoy a scenic drive northeast, reaching Dibba Port to join our fascinating **Musandam leisure cruise**. Board the traditional wooden Dhow and set sail through the beautiful **fjords** of Musandam. Your journey will pass by popular local sites such as **Haffa beach and village** to view the imposing **stone houses**. There is plenty of time to unwind, enjoy refreshments as well as a relaxing swim in the sparkling waters of the **Gulf of Oman**. **Snorkeling** enthusiasts may pre-book basic kits. The cruise continues past the village of **Zeke** to see spectacular **White Mountain, Cutting rock** and other beautiful bays. A **picnic lunch** is served en route.

Note: Please carry your original passport with you.

Schedule: Daily except Friday
Duration: 8 hours (approx.)
Transportation: Sedan/Bus, Traditional wooden Dhow
Inclusions: Light refreshments, Buffet lunch



30 KHASAB FJORD CRUISING OMANI FJORD DHOW CRUISE EXPERIENCE



Drive via Ras Al Khaimah along the panoramic coastal road to Khasab, capital of Oman's northernmost peninsula of Musandam. You will be provided Visa assistance at Immigration on both borders. Reaching Khasab harbor, set sail on a traditional wooden Omani Dhow for a full day's cruise to the spectacular **fjords** of Musandam. The Dhow anchors at famous **Telegraph Island**, where you can **swim and snorkel** in the crystal-clear waters of the Indian Ocean. **Picnic lunch** and **refreshments** are served on board. There is also a possibility of seeing **dolphins** while cruising.

Note: Please carry your original Passport with you. At the time of booking, please verify your eligibility to obtain an Oman Visa at the border.

Schedule: Daily except Friday | **Duration:** 12 hours (approx.)
Transportation: Sedan/Bus, Traditional wooden Dhow
Inclusions: Light refreshments, Buffet lunch

31 SUNRISE BALLOON ADVENTURE HOT AIR BALLOON OVER DUBAI'S DESERT



Feel the adrenalin gush on this **once-in-a-lifetime adventure** over Dubai's amazing red sand dunes. Departing in the pre-dawn silence, you escape the City to reach the boarding area where a pre-flight safety briefing is followed by **60 minutes** of pure thrill. Capture the **glorious sunrise** from approx. 1,500 meters then watch the Desert Conservation Reserve beneath you come alive with herds of Arabian Oryx and other desert creatures. Afterwards you receive a flight certificate and photos with your expert pilot.

Note: Please carry your original passport with you.

Schedule: Daily

Duration: 3.5 hours including 60-min flight (approx.)

Transportation: Hot Air Balloon

Inclusions: Light refreshments

32 A BIRD'S EYE VIEW PANORAMIC HELICOPTER FLIGHT OVER DUBAI

Enjoy a 12-minute helicopter scenic flight that takes you over Dubai's historical past and present. See **Dubai Creek**, the **wind towers** in Bur Dubai, **Dubai Creek Golf Course**, the **Jumeirah coastline** and the impressive **Burj Khalifa** to explore the highlights of old & new.

Note: Please carry your original passport with you.

Schedule: Daily

Duration: 1.5 hours including 12-min flight (approx.)

Transportation: Helicopter

Inclusions: Light refreshments



33 SEAWINGS SILVER SCENIC SEAPLANE FLIGHT OVER NEW DUBAI



Experience Dubai from a unique perspective. Get aboard the seaplane and enjoy 40 minutes of aerial views of Dubai's world-renowned sights such as **Burj Khalifa** standing head and shoulders above the iconic city skyline. See the luxury yachts in **Dubai Marina** and the sail-shaped **Burj Al Arab** hotel. Fly over **Palm Jumeirah** and **The World Islands** before landing back on the calm waters of Dubai Creek.

Note: Please carry your original passport with you.

Schedule: Daily

Duration: 2 hours including 45-min flight (approx.)

Transportation: Amphibious Seaplane

Inclusions: Light refreshments

34 TANDEM DIVING IN DUBAI SKYDIVE OVER PALM JUMEIRAH / DUBAI'S DESERT



In a city of superlatives, nothing comes close to the **absolute thrill** of jumping out of an aircraft at **13,000 feet** (4,000m). On the way to jump altitude you are treated to superb views of iconic **Palm Jumeirah** (Palm jump) or the amazing **red sand dunes** (Desert jump) with the ground coming at you dizzily fast at over 120 miles per hour, you will be glad to have a highly experienced skydiving instructor **tandem jumping** with you. Every moment of your freefall jump is recorded in HD video by expert camera flyers jumping with you.

Schedule: Daily

Duration: 3 hours including 20-min flight (approx.)

Transportation: Fixed-wing propeller aircraft

Inclusions: Light refreshments

attractions

The UAE is one giant entertainment destination for the complete family. With massive investments made by the private and public sector in the leisure and entertainment industry, the country offers outstanding tourist attractions. These include Dubai Parks and Resorts, IMG Worlds of Adventure, Ferrari World Abu Dhabi, Aquaventure - Atlantis The Palm, Wild Wadi, Yas Waterworld amongst others.



35 MOTIONGATE DUBAI



36 LEGOLAND DUBAI

37 LEGOLAND WATERPARK



38 BOLLYWOOD PARKS

39 LAGUNA WATER PARK



40 HUB ZERO

41 GREEN PLANET



42 MATTEL PLAYTOWN

43 FERRARI WORLD



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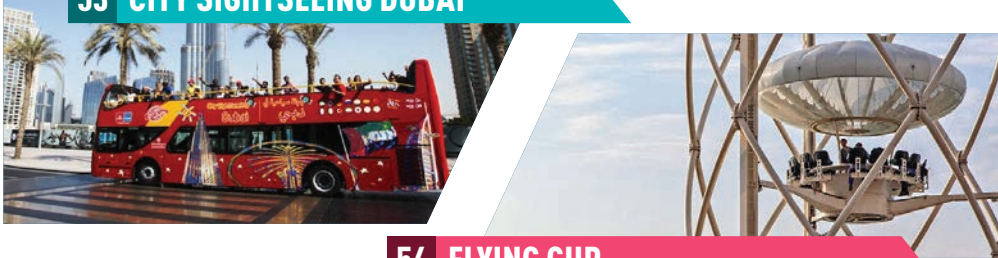
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VEHICLES

All the buses are air-conditioned and equipped with a microphone.

4x4 Jeeps used for off-road safaris are air-conditioned with a maximum capacity of 7 passengers plus driver. Drivers are all qualified off-road professionals, first-aid trained and they carry mobile phones. All vehicles are equipped with seat-belts and passengers are requested to wear seat-belts at all times.

TOUR GUIDES

All sightseeing tours are conducted by well trained, experienced Tour guides.

SAFARIS

Our safaris involve off-road driving across sand dunes as well as off-road tracks in mountain areas. As the drive can be rough in certain given rugged areas we are unable to accept any pregnant women, persons with heart ailments and back or neck problems.

SEATING ARRANGEMENTS

Seats are not pre-allocated. Seating will depend on the order of picking up guests from different locations.

DRESS CODE

Lightweight summer clothing is suitable for most of the year, but sweaters or jackets may be needed for the winter months, especially in the evenings. Good quality sunglasses are advised and photo-chromatic lenses for those who wear spectacles. Hats or some protection for the head are advisable when in direct sunlight.

- The United Arab Emirates has conservative dress traditions. Swimwear must be confined to the beach and hotel pools. Men and women should ensure shoulders and knees are covered when in public, especially in souks, shops/malls and villages.
- Mosque visit & photo-stop dress code
Dress Code: Loose, long trousers or skirts reaching ankles and long sleeves reaching wrists. Shoulders must be covered. No shorts, tight or transparent clothing, no visible tattoos. Women must bring a scarf to cover their heads.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Normal tourist photography is acceptable, but it is considered offensive to photograph Arab women. It is also courteous to ask permission before photographing men. Photographs of government buildings, police or military installations are not allowed.

CONDITIONS

Orient Tours reserves the right to cancel any part of the scheduled programs offered in this brochure for reasons of government decisions, public holidays, weather conditions, or similar. Furthermore Orient Tours reserves the right to amend and or cancel the schedule for any tour featured in this brochure.

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INFORMATION**CLIMATE**

Dubai has a subtropical climate. It is warm and sunny in winter and hot & humid during summer months. Winter average temperatures are between 26°C in the day and 15°C degrees in the night. Summer temperatures are between 42°C & 28°C with high humidity. Inland it is less humid. Rainfall is sparse and intermittent. It rains occasionally during the winter months.

**CREDIT CARDS & TRAVELER
CHEQUES**

Generally exchange rates of Traveler's Cheques are a bit less than rates of cash money. All major credit cards are accepted in most of the retail outlets and hotels.

MONEY EXCHANGE

The official currency of the United Arab Emirates is the UAE Dirham (AED). There are notes of Dirhams 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500 and 1000 and coins of 25, 50 Fils and 1 Dirham. Exchange of money is possible in banks, hotels and in Money Exchange Shops. Exchange rate: USD 1 = AED 3.65

COMMUNICATION**Telephone and Fax**

There are two service providers: ETISALAT and Du. Pay phones can be found all over the city; phone cards are available at many groceries and supermarkets. All hotels offer fax facilities.

Mobile Phones

GSM services are available, and the mobile phone codes within the UAE are 050, 055, 056 & 052. Visitors who are unable to use their mobile phones in the UAE are advised to purchase a local prepaid GSM SIM card from two service providers. These are available in most shops, fuel stations and in all Malls; a passport copy is required to avail this service.

Internet

Most hotels offer internet access (sometimes chargeable). Access is also available at business centers and internet cafes. Increasingly, restaurants and Malls offer free WiFi.

Mail

Stamps can be purchased at the local Post Office, in hotel shops or at the hotel reception. Postage for an airmail letter to Europe is AED 3.50 per 10gm and AED 2.50 for a postcard. Mail can be forwarded from the hotel reception. Mail for Europe takes 6-10 days.

DRESS CODE

The dress code in the UAE is generally casual. Women should keep their shoulders and knees covered. Light sweaters are advisable during the winter months. We recommend wearing hat and sunglasses for sun protection.

Clothing for Visiting a Mosque

Loose, long trousers or skirts reaching ankles and long sleeves reaching wrists. Shoulders are to be covered. No shorts, tight or transparent clothing, no visible tattoos. Women must bring a scarf to cover their heads.

EXCURSIONS

The Emirates have more to offer than beautiful beaches. Detailed information on our tours & safaris with rates and days of operation are available in Orient Tours' excursion brochure. All tours and safaris can be booked with our Hotel Representative or by calling our office directly at +971 4 2828238

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Ambulance: 998/999
Police: 999
Tourist Police: 800 44 38
Directory Enquiry: 181

MEDICAL TREATMENT

Every hotel avails of its own 'Doctor on call'. If required please contact the hotel reception or Orient Tours' Hotel Representative. Further medical treatment is available in private and public hospitals.

Public

Rashid Hospital: Tel. (04) 337 4000
Dubai Hospital: Tel. (04) 271 4444

Private

Welcare Hospital: Tel. (04) 282 7788
American Hospital: Tel. (04) 336 7777

OPENING HOURS

Opening hours are not unified. The following timings are therefore to be taken as a guideline only. (During Ramadan opening hours may differ from those given below)

Saturday - Thursday

Shops/Souks 10:00 to 13:00 and
16:30 to 21:00
Banks 08:00 to 15:00
Shopping Malls 10:00 to 22:00

Friday

Shops / Souqs 17:00 to 22:00
Banks Closed
Shopping Malls 14:00 to midnight

PHOTOS & VIDEO

Whereas a wealth of photographic inspirations are to be found, please be aware that it is not allowed to take pictures or to film Palaces, Military Installations, Police or Governmental buildings and installations. Always ask permission when filming or photographing people. Please refrain from taking photos of Muslim women.

RENT A CAR

If you wish to hire a vehicle please contact our Hotel Representative or call our office +971 4 2828238

RAMADAN

Ramadan is the holy month during which Muslims fast between sunrise and sunset. Therefore, eating, drinking and smoking in public is strictly prohibited during fasting hours. During Ramadan, live entertainment is banned and alcohol is only served after sunset where permitted. Shops in local Souks are open for a few hours in the morning then they re-open after sunset until midnight.

SHOPPING

Dubai is a Shopper's paradise. You can find almost anything you heart desires. Bargaining is accepted (even expected) in most shops in the souks.

**Major Shopping Centers
Dubai**

The Dubai Mall (Downtown Dubai)
Mall of the Emirates (Al Barsha)
Deira City Centre (Deira)
BurJuman (Bur Dubai)
Wafi Mall (Bur Dubai)
Mercato Mall (Jumeirah)
Ibn Battuta Mall (Jebel Ali Village)
Dubai Festival Centre (Dubai Festival City)
Abu Dhabi
Yas Mall (Yas Island)
Marina Mall (Corniche)
Abu Dhabi Mall (Tourist Club)

TRANSPORTATION**Taxis**

Taxis are readily available, metered and drivers generally speak English.

Dubai Metro

The Red and Green Line connect major areas in the city, including Dubai Airport, various tourist attractions and major shopping malls (please refer to the map for the stations. Dubai Metro operates from 6.00am to 10.00pm from Saturday to Thursday. On Fridays, first train is at 2.00pm and the last one at 11.00pm.

The train runs every 6 minutes at peak times and every 8 minutes at off-peak hours. Major Metro stations are served by feeder buses that will carry metro passengers to and from communities around the stations. Metro Tickets can only be obtained by loading money into NOL cards that can be purchased at metro stations and a few selected outlets.

TIPS

Most restaurants and bars in hotels include a service charge. However, tipping taxi drivers, waiters, room service staff and bellhops is expected. Tipping your excursion driver and guide is appreciated, but entirely at your discretion.

WATER

Tap water is safe for all purposes except drinking. Bottled mineral water is advised for drinking.

NOTES

WHERE TRADITIONAL VALUES MEET MODERN HOSPITALITY

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