

DUBAI & ABU DHABI



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DUBAI – ABU DHABI UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (UAE)

Day 1

- Arrival at Dubai International Airport – Arrival with EK 220 from Orlando at 12.20 hrs
- Coach and Guide on standby at the arrival hall at the Airport. Transfer with luxury coach to Arabian Court Yard Hotel

Check in and time at leisure

- Dinner at Pharaoh Restaurant – Buffet dinner – water and soft drinks included in the price

Overnight at the Arabian Court Yard Hotel

Day 2

Breakfast at the Hotel at Leisure – Breakfast served at Pharaoh Restaurant

- Morning at Leisure to get acquainted with the surroundings and the weather.
- Lunch at Sheikh Mohamed Cultural Centre for Understanding
- Half day tour of Old Dubai City Tour
- Dinner on board a Dhow Cruise

- Guide waiting in the Lobby for the guests. Today's tour is by foot and water taxi.

Proceed to SMCCU for an Emirati lunch and conversation about the Culture and traditions in the UAE. Lunch is one and a half hours. Proceed to visit Bastakia Mosque with a local representative to learn more about Islam culture and traditions. After lunch we continue our old Dubai City Tour – starts from the Bastakiya area in Bur Dubai – a short walk to the Dubai Museum housed in the Al Fahidi Fort, dating back to 1787. The Museum houses interactive exhibits and gives a comprehensive overview of local customs and culture.

Walk from the Museum to the Textile Souq, then cross the Creek from one side to the other. The Creek is the heart of Dubai, giving you a chance to enjoy Dubai at its best from the water side. The trip will be in a famous Abra, a traditional water taxi, which were used prior to Dubai building tunnels or bridges across the Creek. The Abra will drop you on the Deira side to visit the Spice Souq, with its myriad of exotic smells, tastes and colours, then onto the sparkling Gold Souq with over 200 shops all selling a combined weight of more than 50 tons of gold.

Return back to the hotel by Abra and get ready for dinner on board a Dhow Cruise.

- Coach and Guide on standby in the Hotel Lobby
- Sail for two hours along the creek with 5* dinner menu
- End of the tour and return back to the Hotel

Overnight at the Arabian Court Yard Hotel



Day 3

- Breakfast at the Hotel
- Full Day Modern Dubai City tour - Visit to Nakheel Centre, Lost chambers
- Lunch at Atlantis – Kaleidoscope restaurant; Visit to Burj Khalifa
- Optional: Dinner at Mango Tree restaurant – observing Dubai Dancing Fountains

- Coach and guide on standby

Our Modern Dubai City tour begins with a drive to Jumeirah Lake Towers, the new part of Dubai with its amazing skyscrapers.

From there we will go to the Nakheel Centre to learn about the Palm Jumeirah, a man-made island that houses thousands of apartments and villas of the rich and famous, the Atlantis Hotel and many more exclusive five star Hotels. A 45 minutes presentation will explain to you all about the Palm from the moment they started planning till today.

After you have learned about the Island we will take you by Mono Rail along the Palm to Atlantis the Palm. In the Atlantis Hotel visit the 'Lost Chambers' and see the incredible fish that live in the huge aquarium of the hotel.

Lunch will be served at the Kaleidoscope Restaurant at Atlantis – Buffet lunch – water included.

From here the group will head by bus to Dubai Mall. One of the biggest malls in the world in the newly built 'Old Town area' home to the Burj Khalifa (the tallest building in the world). See Dubai from a whole new perspective from the 'At-The-Top' Burj Khalifa viewing deck on the 124th floor. The experience begins the moment you step foot into the entrance, before travelling up the super-fast elevator, taking just one minute!

After that, time at leisure to enjoy the mall and watch the fountains. Dinner at leisure (guests have the options to either stay at the Mall and take a taxi back to the Hotel or go with the guide/coach back to the Hotel).

Overnight at the Arabian Court Yard Hotel



Day 4

- Half a day tour of Sharjah (6 hours)
- Afternoon & dinner at leisure

• Coach and guide on standby to start the tour of Sharjah & visit to the Sharjah Museum of Islamic Civilization. Sharjah is renowned as the Cultural City of the UAE with its many museums and heritage sites.

The Sharjah Heritage Museum, "Bait al Naboodah", has been restored to its past glory. You will see how the people lived and learn about their culture and traditions.

Visit the Blue Souk of Sharjah, open since 1979 and considered one of the finest shopping malls in the region, and built in the beautiful Arabic style with blue Mosaics. Re-opened in 2008 as a significant tourist landmark in the region. Situated right at the historical heart of Sharjah on the Majarrah Waterfront, started its life as a traditional Middle Eastern souq or indoor market. The building, now transformed, houses more than 5,000 artifacts.

Lunch at the Radisson Blu Sharjah

- Back to the Hotel

Late afternoon at leisure

- Gather in the Hotel lobby for the ten minute walk to the restaurant
- Dinner at Bastakiya Nights Set Menu
- Return back to the Hotel

Overnight at the Arabian Court Yard Hotel



Day 5

- Full day tour to Musandam

- Coach and guide on standby to start the tour. Transfer from any hotel (Dubai, Ras Al-Khaimah & Sharjah) Drive the new Emirates highway along the coast to Dibba passing Dhaid cement factory overlooking the chocolate colored mountains – an intense experience of the East coast and Dibba Bay towards the main fishing Harbour.

- Start our amazing traditional cruise on board the Double Decker Omani Dhow with the perfect Arabic hospitality & setup – Arabic tea, coffee as welcome drinks. Enjoy your time lazing and sunbathing under the sun, while you feast your eyes upon the beauty of the white and salty mountains. You will pass by the natural, beautifully carved caves, through the deserted Haffa village and Zighy beaches. With snorkel and flippers take a thrilling plunge down the crystal clear waters of the Indian Ocean while staff will be preparing the traditional lunch with the real taste of Arabia. After you relish the Arabic tasty lunch you can have more time for swimming, snorkeling or relaxing in a sweet languor and catch some sun to the lull sounds of the surf.

- We will transfer you back to the harbor and then drive you back to your hotel.



Package Includes: Pick up from your Hotel • Two Way Transfer by Air-conditioned Bus • Full Day Dhow Cruise in Dibba • Oriental Buffet Lunch on Board • Snorkeling Equipment • Unlimited Refreshments & Fruits

- Back to the Hotel – time to rest
- Meet in the Lobby or go directly to the Restaurant
- Dinner at Mumtaz Mahal – Indian Restaurant – Set Menu
- Time at leisure

Overnight at the Arabian Court Yard



Day 6

- Morning at Leisure
- Afternoon & Evening – Desert Safari
- Four wheel drives and guide on standby to start the Desert Safari



In the afternoon a convoy of modern ships of the desert, the Toyota Land Cruiser four wheel drives, will whisk you to the desert for an experience like no other. Over the red dunes of Dubai enjoy the exhilaration and silence of the desert. See the setting sun over the dunes, then head down into a Bedouin camp for an evening of Arabic food and entertainment.

The tour includes: Dune bashing, Visit to a Camel Farm, Camel riding around the camp, sand boarding, henna painting, Shisha smoking, BB dinner with soft drinks coffee and tea - Dinner in a separate area with service.

After dinner, return to Dubai.

- Back at the Hotel

Overnight at the Arabian Court Yard Hotel



Day 7

- Al Ain Tour
- Dinner at Burj Al Arab

• Coach and guide on standby to start the tour. Al Ain is the birthplace of Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, the first president of the United Arab Emirates. It is also known as the Garden City due to its greenery and is the second largest city in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi. Located approximately 160 km east of the capital Abu Dhabi and about 120 km south of Dubai, it has the country's highest number of Emirati nationals.



Al Ain is developing as a tourist destination. The dry desert air makes it a welcome retreat from the coastal humidity of the larger cities.



Its attractions include the Al Ain National Museum, the Al Ain Palace Museum, the Hili Archaeological Park site, and Jebel Hafeet, a 1340-metre-high mountain, dominating the surrounding area. Other attractions include the Al Ain Oasis in the city centre, the Wadi Adventure providing a range of water-based activities including surfing, kayaking and rafting. Outside of Al Ain one will find a number of camel farms, camel clinic, camel market and huge red sand dunes! The tour will include a visit to Al Ain National Museum, Al Ain Palace Museum, Jabal Hafeet, The Camel Market, and Hili Archeological Site.

- Lunch at Danat Hotel – Buffet lunch at Arabesque Restaurant including water, soft drinks, coffee, tea
- Back to the Hotel
- Coach and guide on standby to go to dinner in Dubai at the glamorous Burj Al Arab
- Dinner at Al Iwan Oriental Restaurant – Arabic Dinner Buffet – excluding beverages

DRESS CODE POLICY

The Dress Code in the hotel is Smart Casual. Gentlemen are requested to wear a collared shirt, full-length trousers or smart jeans, and closed shoes. Ladies are requested to wear a suit or dress, long or short skirt or dressy slacks and top. UAE national dress is welcome. For gentlemen shorts, T-shirts, flip-flops, open and running, gym, tennis, basketball shoes, etc. are not allowed.

- Return back to the Hotel Overnight at the Arabian Court Yard Hotel



Day 8

- Breakfast and check out
 - Full Day trip to Abu Dhabi with Lunch at the Emirates Palace Hotel
 - Evening & dinner at Leisure
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- Depart Dubai for the Capital city of Abu Dhabi. The drive is one and a half hours depending on the location of your hotel in Dubai.
 - Visit the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque, the masterpiece in white marble. The Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan Grand Mosque is the 6th largest Mosque in the world and the biggest mosque in the United Arab Emirates – it has grand chandeliers, columns with Swarovski Crystals and handmade carpets and can accommodate 30,000 worshippers in one sitting.
 - Drive the modern parts of Abu Dhabi through the Al Bateen area, towards the Emirates Palace.
 - Lunch at the Emirates Palace's Le Vendome Restaurant
 - After lunch head to the see the new Royal palace and then to the wave breaker. Visit the Heritage Village, run by the Emirates Heritage Club – this reconstruction of a traditional oasis village provides an interesting glimpse into the emirate's past.
 - Head to the Traders Hotel
 - Check in and time at leisure
 - Dinner at leisure

Overnight at the Traders Hotel – Abu Dhabi



Day 9

- Breakfast served at Afya Restaurant restaurant
 - Morning – free at leisure
 - Afternoon tour through Saadiyat Island
 - Lunch at Al Fnar restaurant
 - Dinner at Souk Qaryat al Bari
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- Coach and guide on stand by to start the tour

The first stop is Masdar City, one of the most sustainable communities on the planet. It is an emerging clean tech cluster that offers a creative and entrepreneurial atmosphere where business can thrive and innovation can flourish, in part because the city itself serves as a model of what a green urban development can be.

Head to Saadiyat Island and visit Manaret Saadiyat. You will find Saadiyat located just 500 meters off the coast of Abu Dhabi. This 27 square kilometer island was planned and created around an environmentally-sensitive philosophy and low-density master plan. As a result, Saadiyat's developments have been built around natural beauty, cultural experiences, architectural splendors and vast business potential. The main districts in the island are Saadiyat Cultural District, Saadiyat Beach District and Saadiyat Marina District

Visit the center and learn all about all the projects going on at the Island. The fourth edition of *Emirati Expressions: Conventions of Arts* exhibits works by fifteen Emirati artists at Manarat Al Saadiyat and throughout the city of Abu Dhabi. whose projects oscillate naturally between design and fine art, combining languages of form and use to produce a communal art practice that is embedded in the social fabric of the United Arab Emirates.

Artworks will include wearable textiles, photography, furniture design, interactive installations, paintings, illustrations, large-scale sculptures, and a live studio where artists will be working throughout the exhibition. The artists featured in this exhibition are; Ammar Al Attar, Afra Al Dhaheri, Zeinab Al Hashemi, Farah Al Qasimi, Salem Al Qassimi, Maryam Al Suwaidi, Sumayyah Al Suwaidi, Hind Bin Demaitan, Rami Farook, Lamyah Gargash, Alia Lootah, Ghaya Bin Mesmar, Khalid Mezaina, Nasir Nasrallah, and Khalid Shafar.



Emirati Expressions IV: Conventions of Arts will also present specially commissioned artworks inspired by Abu Dhabi's diverse and historic social clubs. These interactive spaces dedicated for community engagement are the nuclei to modern cultural institutions within the UAE. The archives of these communal clubs will also be seen on display within the exhibition. Additionally, artists have been invited to produce site-specific works that will be on view within a number of these institutions such as, the Emirates Writers Union, Armed Forces Officers' Club, India Social and Cultural Center and Abu Dhabi National Theatre.



- Lunch at Fanar Restaurant – Buffet including water
- Return back to the Hotel and time at leisure
- Meet in the Hotel lobby and walk to Souk Qaryat Al Bari

Take an evening walk to the neighboring Souk Qaryat al Bari for dinner with an amazing view of the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque.



- Dinner at Azzurro Italian Restaurant – Set menu including water, soft drinks coffee and tea
- Return back to the Hotel

Overnight at the Traders Hotel – Abu Dhabi

Day 10

- Visit to Falcon Hospital
- Visit to Saluki Centre
- Lunch at Al Fanar Local restaurant
- Dinner at the hotel
- Check out
- Departure transfer to Dubai International Hotel from Abu Dhabi Hotel

- Coach and guide on standby to start the tour.

• Visit The Abu Dhabi Falcon Hospital (ADFH), the first public institution in the United Arab Emirates providing comprehensive veterinary health care services exclusively for falcons. Established by the Environment Agency – it opened in October, 1999, and has become the largest falcon hospital in the world with a patient influx of more than 65,000 patients in the first fourteen years of existence. Yearly more than 8,500 falcons are received for examinations and treatment.

• Visit Saluki Centre - Arabian Bedouins have been breeding Salukis for thousands of years. These desert hounds, known for their exceptional stamina, intelligence and loyalty, are highly prized by the Bedouins. Known by the Bedouins as Wind Drinker, Daughter of the Tent, Son of the Desert, Desert Eye, the Bedouins even allow them to share their tents.

• Head back to the City and enjoy lunch at an Emirati Restaurant.

• Lunch at Al Fanar Restaurant in the Vinizian Village of the Ritz Carlton. Set Menu including water and soft drinks.

• Back to the Hotel and time at leisure

• Last dinner at Al Afya Restaurant garden Terrace – Buffet dinner – (Theme nights) including water.

• Check out

• Coach and guide on standby for the departure transfer

• Depart to Dubai International Airport

Travel Day

• Arrival at Terminal three; Departure with EK 219 departing to Orlando at 03.50 hrs



HOTELS

**Arabian Courtyard Dubai Hotel –
4* city property
Al Fahidi Street, Bur Dubai -
Opposite Dubai Museum - Dubai
Phone: 00971 4 351 9111**

Ideal location in old Dubai is located opposite the Museum and a stone's throw away from many historical, cultural and shopping attractions such as Veritage Village, Historic Bastakiya, Dubai Creek & Abra (water taxi), Mena bazaar, and textile market, electronics shopping, Computer Street and a whole lot more. The hotel is ideally located in Bur Dubai, a short walk from Bank Street and Port Rashid, a short 3 km ride away from Sheikh Zayed Road, Dubai World Trade Center & exhibition halls and only 6 km away from Dubai airport. The Spice Market and the Gold Souk are easily accessible via the Abra (water taxi). With 173 elegantly furnished rooms in traditional Arabic theme, including 23 elegantly furnished suites and 41 executive rooms, this central hotel offers all the latest amenities. A two minute walk from the Dubai Museum, this upscale hotel in a modern building with Arabian influences and is 11 km from the Dubai Mall and 12 km from Jumeirah Beach.



Elegant rooms feature Arabian decorative details, flat-screen TVs, safes and free Wi-Fi. Suites with one bedroom add separate lounges with kitchenettes; those with two bedrooms offer silk sheets and butler service. Some rooms give access to a VIP lounge. Other amenities include spa, gym, and outdoor pools. There are restaurants serving Indian, Chinese and Thai cuisine, plus a Sherlock Holmes-themed pub.

**Traders Hotel Qaryat Al Beri, Abu Dhabi
4* beach front property
Khor Al Maqta, Qaryat Al Beri,
Between The Bridges - Abu Dhabi
Phone: 00971 2 510 8888**



front hotel is 11 km from Mangrove National Park, 13 km from shopping at Dalma Mall and 17 km from Al Reem Island.

Posh rooms with contemporary decor have free Wi-Fi, flat-screen TVs and work desks, as well as minibars, and tea and coffeemakers. Club rooms include private lounge access, and suites add separate living areas. Room service is available 24/7.

A chic, modern restaurant with outdoor seating serves international fare. There's also a casual lobby lounge and a private beach featuring cabanas. Other amenities include an outdoor pool and a 24-hour gym.

DUBAI-ABU DHABI Cultural Immersion Tour

**Price based on Double Occupancy
Land-Only Tour, 4-Star Accommodations
(including meals, entertainment & tours)**

Emirates Airlines Round Trip Economy Class Air Fare

Best Value Land & Air Fare Included

Business Class Upgrade

Land & Business Class

Single Supplement

**To ensure comfort and exclusivity for each guest,
the size of this group will be comprised of approximately 22 adventurers.**

**We invite you to join us for this unforgettable adventure of a lifetime
by placing your deposit early to secure your reservation since space is limited.**

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