THE DEAD SEA, PETRA AND WADI RUM

1 Arrival in Jordan – Meet & Assist-Transfer to Dead Sea for overnight

Dead Sea, Madaba, Mt. Nebo and overnight Dead Sea

Experience the ultimate sensation of trying to swim, while only floating in the super salty waters of the lowest place on earth. In the afternoon visit Madaba and Mt Nebo, where you can see the oldest map of the Holy Land on the floor of Saint George's Church and the best preserved mosaic in Jordan at Mount Nebo. The route to Mount Nebo takes you through a Biblical landscape that hasn't changed in millennia. Mount Nebo is the alleged burial site of Moses and overlooks the Jordan Valley and the Dead Sea. From here, Moses first glimpsed the Holy Land, a land he was never allowed to enter. Here Franciscans have built a structure that protects a 4th and 6th Century Byzantine church. A short drive takes you to the city of Madaba and is full of mosaics which can be found in private houses as well as many churches. After you visit the mosaics you will get the opportunity to lunch in one of Madaba's fantastic restaurants. After lunch you will return to the Dead Sea for a restful float in the super salty waters of the Dead Sea.



3 Jerash, Amman city tour and overnight at the Dead Sea

After breakfast, you will visit one of the best-preserved examples of Roman civilization, the city of Jerash. Jerash, part of the Decapolis (the ten big Roman cities of the East) has been called the Pompeij of the East for its unique state of preservation. The city features theaters, churches, temples (Zeus and Artemis), a nymphaeum, colonnaded streets and a fantastic oval plaza. Then head back to Amman for an under-the-skin tour of the capital of the Hashemite Kingdom. The tour will take you to the museums, the Citadel, the amphitheater, souks, and some of its traditional neighborhoods, which have become the most exciting places to stay and visit. The tour will include a tour of the best street food on offer in Jordan before you head back to the Dead Sea for an afternoon / evening float.

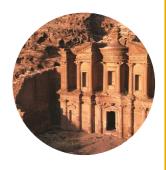


Depart the Dead Sea for a full-day tour of Petra. Once the ancient Nabatean capital, this city gently reveals itself as you walk through its hand-carved facades. Enter via the Siq, an immense crack in the sandstone, that is a winding, one-kilometer-long fissure between overhanging cliffs that seem to meet more than 300 feet overhead. Near the end of the passage, the Siq, with great style, makes one last turn, and out of the gloom in towering brightness appears Petra's most impressive monument, el Khazneh - The Treasury. This is one of the most elegant remains of antiquity anywhere in the world and is carved out of solid rock.



Beyond el Khazneh the visitor is surrounded on both sides by hundreds of Petra's carved and built structures, soaring temples, elaborate royal tombs, a carved Roman theater, large and small houses, and burial chambers. The Victorian traveler and poet, Burgon, gave Petra a description that holds to this day - "Match me such a marvel save in Eastern clime, a rose-red city half as old as time."

In the late afternoon, you will transfer to the magical desert of Wadi Rum, home of "Lawrence of Arabia". Upon arrival, you will take a jeep tour managed and driven by one of the local Bedouin, through the ochre-colored moon-like landscaped sandy desert as you visit the sites of Rum. These include sites visited by T.E. Lawrence, of Lawrence of Arabia fame, who fought in the Arab revolt against the Ottoman Empire. You will also visit Khazali Canyon an iconic feature in Wadi Rum. Khazali Canyon is an easy 20-minute walk with Nabatean inscriptions and drawings.



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4 Wadi Rum continued

Following a tour of Rum, you will head to the Discovery Bedu Eco-friendly Luxury camp with its unsurpassed sunset views. Uniquely tailored to perfectly blend with the natural surroundings, the camp offers you an authentic experience in the heart of this truly spectacular place without compromising on your comfort. Located at a particularly scenic viewpoint in Wadi Rum, the bespoke camp is run by local Bedouin. Its eight tented suites all with ensuite bathrooms are supplied with hot and cold running water and solar-powered electricity. Upon arrival, guests are escorted to the central tent which serves as a lobby and dinner venue and is handmade by the Bedouin from goat hair. The individual tents are fully furnished with comfortable low Bedouin-style seating on a wooden surface. Enjoy an evening around the campfire in the Star Lounge on one of the luxury sofas enjoying the night sky, looking out for constellations, shooting stars, and the Milky Way. Wake up in the serenity of the desert and enjoy breakfast on the rocks with undisturbed views of Wadi Rum stretching for hundreds of miles.





5 Wadi Rum to Dead Sea for overnight

Wake up in the serenity of the desert and enjoy breakfast on the rocks with undisturbed views of Wadi Rum stretching for hundreds of miles. After breakfast, you will transfer back to the Dead Sea for swimming and relaxing in your hotel for your final night in Jordan.

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