

Capital : Bangkok

Government: constitutional monarchy

Currency: Thai baht (THB)
Area total: 513,120km²

land: 510,890km² water: 2,230km²

Population: 66,720,153 (2011 est.) **Language**: Thai (official), minority

languages

Religion: Buddhism (mainly

Theravada), Islam in the

south

Electricity: 220V/50Hz (American

and/or European plug)

Country code : +66
Internet TLD : .th
Time Zone : UTC +7
Emergencies : 999

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Weather

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Thailand (Bangkok – Pattaya) 4 Nights / 5 Days

Suggested Tour Itinerary

Day 01: Bangkok - Pattaya

Arrive Bangkok And Transfer To Pattaya By AC Coach, (App. 02 Hrs / 100 Km) Check-In To Hotel (check in time 1400 HRS) Mean While Visit to Pattaya Tower, Indian Lunch and Afternoon Free For Leisure, Evening Enjoy

Alcazar Show: An Extravaganza With The Latest Technology, Marvelous Music, Dance & Costumes. You're Guaranteed An Astonishing & Magical Night At Alcazar. **Night Stay: Pattaya**

Day 02: Coral Island

After Breakfast Visit To Famous Beach Coral Island By Speed Boat with 1 Round Parasailing, Enjoy The Water Leisure Activities Like Para Gliding, Water Scooter, Banana Rides Etc. (By Own Expenses), Back from Coral Island & Indian Lunch,

Afternoon Enjoy The Stunning Nong Nooch

Gardens And A Range Of Cultural Show Performances Including An Elephant And Monkey Show Plus A Display Of Classic Thai Dance And Thai Boxing In Nong Nooch Village **Night Stay: Pattaya**

Day 03: Bangkok City Tour

After Breakfast, Proceed For Bangkok By Ac Coach, Visit Gems Factory Arrive Bangkok,

Check-In To The Hotel Indian Lunch

Proceed for City And Temple Tour including Reclining Buddha Temple, Golden Buddha Temple and Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum, Rest Of The Day Free For Leisure Or Shopping. **Night Stay: Bangkok**

Day 04 : Safari & Marine Park

After Breakfast. Visit Marine Park Enjoy The Dolphin Show, Sea Lion Show, Stunt Show And Spy War and Many more Indian Lunch and Safari World - Thailand Greatest Open Zoo Leisure Park That Offers A Great Variety Of Entrainment For Every One Evening at Chao Phraya River Cruise With Dinner

Welcome aboard to a two-hour journey on the

extravagant Chao Phraya Cruise. Experience a sensation of luxury and romance throughout your dinner night.

You will have the opportunity to take snapshots of the scenery, famous historical structures and religious monasteries such as the Royal Grand Palace Wat Pra Kaew, Wat Arun (The Temple of the Dawn), Bangkhunprom Palace, Kanlayanamitr Temple and the Rama 8 Bridge along both sides of the river bank. After your dinner, join our talented musicians with an entire hour of upbeat groovy songs for dancing **Night Stay: Bangkok**

Day 05: Departure - Onward Destination

After Breakfast Proceed For Airport To Catch The Flight for your home town. Tour Over

Thailand (Phuket – Bangkok – Pattaya) 6 Nights / 7 Days

Suggested Tour Itinerary

Day 01: Phuket

Arrive Phuket & Transfer to Hotel / Resort, Check in, evening optional Phuket Fantasia Show, **Night Stay: Phuket**

Day 02: Phi Phi Island Tour

After Breakfast Proceed for Phi Phi Island Tour by Speed Boat. Phi Phi Islands are situated 40 km south-east of Phuket and consist of six islands. The major ones being Phi Phi Don, which hosts the bohemian town of Phi Phi Islands, and Phi Phi Leh with Maya Bay which featured in the movie "The Beach". Phi Phi Islands are famous for its limestone cliffs rising sheer out of the emerald green waters, white powdery beaches and its many coral reefs offering great diving and snorkeling. All Phi Phi Island tours will take you for great sightseeing, swimming and snorkeling.

Evening Phuket city tour Night Stay: Phuket

Day 03: Phuket - Bangkok - Pattaya

After Breakfast, Transfer to Phuket airport to catch the flight for Bangkok, Arrive Bangkok And Transfer To Pattaya By AC Coach, (App. 02 Hrs / 100 Km) Check-In To Hotel (check in time 1400 HRS) Mean While Visit to Pattaya Tower, Indian Lunch and Afternoon Free For Leisure, Evening Enjoy

Alcazar Show: An Extravaganza With The Latest Technology, Marvelous Music, Dance & Costumes. You're Guaranteed An Astonishing & Magical Night At Alcazar **Night Stay: Pattaya**

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Day 05 : Pattaya - Bangkok

After Breakfast, Proceed For Bangkok By Ac Coach, Visit Gems Factory Arrive Bangkok,

Check-In To The Hotel Indian Lunch

Proceed for City And Temple Tour including Reclining Buddha Temple, Golden Buddha Temple and Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum, Rest Of The Day Free For Leisure Or Shopping. **Night Stay: Bangkok**

Day 06: Bangkok

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Day 07: Departure - Onward Destination

After Breakfast Proceed For Airport To Catch The Flight for your home town. Tour Over

Thailand (Phuket – Krabi - Bangkok) 6 Nights / 7 Days

Suggested Tour Itinerary

Day 01 : Phuket

Arrive Phuket & Transfer to Hotel / Resort, Check in, evening optional Phuket Fantasia Show, **Night Stay**: **Phuket**

Day 02: Phi Phi Island Tour & Phuket City Tour

After Breakfast Proceed for Phi Phi Island Tour by Speed Boat. Phi Phi Islands are situated 40 km south-east of Phuket and consist of six islands. The

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Evening Phuket city tour, Night Stay: Phuket

Day 03: Phuket - Krabi

After Breakfast, transfer to Krabi by Road, Check in to Hotel / Resort, free for leisure or Water sports activities, **Night Stay: Krabi**

Day 04: Krabi - Island Hopping Tour

After Breakfast, Exciting island hopping to the tropical hot spots in the Krabi area: Phra Nang Cave, Tup Island, Chicken Island and Poda Island. Swimming, snorkelling, sunbathing, exploring and photography are the main activities to enjoy. Expect plenty of sun, a rich variety of corals and fish, crystal-clear waters and white powdery beaches lined with coconut palms.,

Night Stay: Krabi

Day 05: Krabi - Bangkok

After Breakfast, Transfer to Krabi airport to catch the flight for Bangkok, Arrive Bangkok, Transfer & Proceed For hotel, Check in to Hotel.

Proceed for City And Temple Tour including Reclining Buddha Temple, Golden Buddha Temple and Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum, Rest Of The Day Free For Leisure Or Shopping. **Night Stay: Bangkok**

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Day 07: Bangkok - Departure - Next Destination

After Breakfast Proceed For Airport To Catch The Flight for your home town. Tour Over

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Cultural

The traditional Thai greeting gesture is called a wai (hands placed together in a prayer position at the chest, chin or forehead). There are various levels of wais, the best is to just imitate the wai that is being given to you, or place your hands at your chest. Most Thais are not accustomed to shaking hands, but more are adopting this western approach when meeting foreigners.

Generally speaking, Thais are a modest and polite culture. Though you may see some foreign women sunbathing without their tops on, it is offensive to the Thais and looked down upon.

When visiting a Buddhist temple, dress modestly. Shoulders and thighs should be covered. It is a good idea to carry a sarong with you in case your day of sightseeing finds you at a temple.

Currency

Thailand's currency is Baht. Bills come in denominations of 1000, 500, 100, 50 and 20. Coins are 10, 5, 1 and tiny satangs. Satangs are quarter fractions of 1 and are not widely used.

Most international currencies and Travellers Cheques can be exchanged at banks or local moneychangers. Major credit cards are accepted in major establishments as well as at moneychangers. You can get a cash advance on your credit card at most banks and transfer funds into the country, the latter usually taking a few working days. Western Union outlets are relatively common and easy to access.

There are many ATM's throughout the country, usually with optional displays in English. International ATM cards with the Cirrus symbol link may be used at most ATM's, although there may be a hefty transaction fee.Visit this website for further information about Thailand Currency

Health

Thailand is a relatively safe and healthy country. However, a few precautions may make your trip more enjoyable.

Probably the most common health risk is sunburn. Thailand is close to the equator, which means the rays of the sun are strong and can burn skin quickly and easily. Everyone wants to return home with a holiday tan, however, use caution, sunscreen and begin your tanning process slowly to build up a base. Be sure to

drink plenty of water too.

Never drink tap water. Most restaurants serve safe bottled water, except for some very rural stalls which

may boil their drinking water first. Ice is safe to use.

It is advisable when travelling to any foreign destination that you check with your local hospital as to what inoculations or medications you may need for your trip. Thailand does not require any pre-arrival vaccinations, unless you are coming from Africa, then a yellow fever vaccination is usually required.

Malaria and Dengue fever exist in Thailand, but are not common in most tourist areas. Particular precautions should be taken in remote areas or areas near the northern borders. Aside from any disease they may carry, mosquitoes can be bothersome so wear repellent and/or long sleeves and trousers when going outside at night.

Pharmacies in Thailand are pretty well-stocked. However, if you require any specific medication, it's a good idea to bring an adequate supply with you. Alternatively, you may find your same medication in Thailand at a fraction of the price, so you could stock up before returning home!

Language

The Thai language is the main and official language in Thailand although there are several regional dialects as well. Chinese, Lao, Malay and Mon-Khmer are also languages spoken in Thailand. English is becoming more current in government activity and commerce as it has become compulsory as a second language in secondary school and universities.

Visa and Passports

Entry into Thailand requires a passport valid for at least six months from the date of entry. If your passport will expire while in Thailand, be sure to obtain a new one before arriving or you may be refused entry.

Tourist Visas are available by applying at any Thai Embassy or Consulate before travelling. Some countries are able to obtain a visa upon arrival valid for a 30 day stay in the Kingdom. As visa regulations can always change, it is wise to check with the nearest Thai Embassy in your home country.





Country : Oman Capital : Muscat

Government: Monarchy (Sultanate) Currency : Omani Rial (OMR) Area : total: 309,500 km2

Population : 3,204,897 (July 2007 est.)

: Arabic (official), English, Language

Baluchi, Urdu, Indian

dialects

Religion : Ibadhi Muslim 75%.

Sunni Muslim, Shi'a

Muslim, Hindu

Electricity : 240V/50Hz

(USA & UK plugs)

Country code: +968 Internet TLD : .om Time Zone : UTC+4

Weather

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Suggested Tour Itinerary

Day 01: Arrival

Meet & assist at Muscat International Airport & transfer to Hotel in City.

Night stay: Muscat

Day 02: Half day Muscat city tour

After breakfast at the hotel, this tour begins with visit to the Sultan Qaboos Grand Mosque, an architectural monument, the client will take maximum 45 minutes to 01 hour to visit the mosque, proceed to Royal Opera House for a photo stop. A stop at Muttrah, the main port area, leads to explore an ancient and colorful souk for 01 hour. Proceed to Bait Al Zubair museum, which showcases Omani heritage with a vast collection of antiques, traditional Omani weaponry, jewellery, costumes, domestic utensils and recreated urban and rural environments. Then drive through old Muscat, surrounded by steep mountains and flanked by the twin 16th century Jalali and Mirani forts, extends to Al Alam Palace of His Majesty Sultan Qaboos. Proceed back to Hotel. Night stay: Muscat(Grand mosque visit not possible on Friday)

Day 03 Nizwa & Jabal Akhdar tour

After breakfast at the hotel, depart from the hotel to Experience the true sights and sounds of Oman on this tour. Begin by driving to the Dakhalia region of Oman, via the Samail. Visit Nizwa, the ancient capital in the interior region. Stroll through its famous soug where silver and coppersmiths produce exquisite ornaments in front of your eyes. Souvenir hunters will treasure the famous Omani khanjar, coffee pot and copper vessels. Proceed to the historic Nizwa Fort for a visit, proceed to the Jabrin Castle for a visit, Onward proceed to JabalAkhdar also known as the green mountain. The journey continues to Wadi al Madeen, from where a 36-km drive through a scenic mountain road brings visitors to Al Jabal Al Akhdar (2000 metres above sea level), the green mountain of Hajjar mountain ranges, truly a unique attraction in the Arabian Peninsula. Al Jabal Al Akhdar is famed for its temperate cool climate and tropical fruit orchards. The villages overlook a spectacular landscape of awesome peaks, gorges and wadis. By late evening return back to the hotel. Night stay:

Muscat

Day 04 Muscat - Wahiba Sands

After Breakfast at the hotel, proceed to Wahiba Sands. Wahaiba Sands is one of the most fascinating and mysterious deserts in the Arab Gulf region. Continue to Wahiba.

Depart to Al Wasil, beginning the overnight journey to Wahaiba Sands, which is also home to a few thousand Bedouins, who are known to have inhabited this inhospitable region for at least 7000 years. On arrival at the campsite, guests are welcomed by Bedouins, serving Omani coffee, fresh fruit and mineral water. Skilled drivers will then take guests for exciting dune drive. During night, enjoy moonlit dinner at the camp under millions of twinkling stars. A dune drive or camel ride offer a unique desert experience. **Night stay**: **Wahiba sands desert.**

Day 05 Wahiba - Sur

Early morning, enjoy sunrise in the desert and capture the scenic beauty in camera. After breakfast in the camp, proceed to Sur, renowned or shipyards where traditional Omani boats (dhows) are built. The coastal drive continues through Qalhat, one of the oldest towns and seaports in Oman, famous for exporting horses and importing spices from India in the 3th century. The drive along the coastal road takes visitors to Sur and Ras Al Hadd where overnight stay is arranged. After lunch, visitors drive to Ras al Jynz, a protected Green turtle nesting reserve. During the nesting season, turtles can be seen laying eggs at night. **Night Stay: Sur**

Day 06 Departure - Onward Destination

Breakfast at the hotel. Check out & proceed to Wadishab. Enjoy a good trek & a refreshing swim. Onward proceed to Muscat for your departure flight back home.



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Currency

Omani Riel (OR) = 1000 baiza.

Notes are in denominations of OR 50, 20, 10, 5 and 1, and 500, 250, 200 and 100 baiza. Coins are in denominations of 50, 25, 10 and 5 baiza.

Currency Exchange

Currency can be exchanged in banks or at currency exchange booths located in main cities, the airport and major hotels.

• Electricity:L 220/240 volts AC, 50 Hz

Health

Travellers' health insurance is strongly advised. Oman has an extensive public health service (free to Omani nationals), with a number of modern medical facilities.

• Vaccinations: No vaccinations are required.

Language

Arabic is the official language. English is widely spoken. German and French are spoken by some hotel staff. Hindi, Malayalam and Swahili are also spoken by a section of the population.

Religion

Most of the city's residents are followers of Islam, the country's only recognized religion. Muscat has foreign minorities of Hindus and Christians.

Social Conventions

Clothing

It is important that women dress modestly, with long

skirts or dresses (below the knee), loose-fitting trousers and long sleeve shirts. Men should dress neatly in trousers and shirts with sleeves. Tight-fitting clothes should be avoided. Shorts should never be worn in public and beachwear is prohibited anywhere except the beach.

Photography

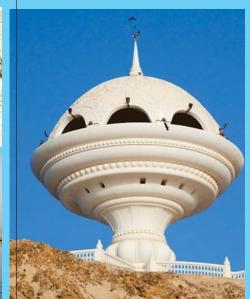
Visitors should ask permission before attempting to photograph people or their property. 'No Photography' signs exist in certain places and must be observed. It is not advisable to take pictures of women without requesting and obtaining permission before hand. This can be done by saying "Mumkinsura, min fadlak?" (May I take your picture please?). Photography of government and military installations is strictly prohibited.

• Tax and Tipping: Tipping 10% is becoming a more common practice.











Capital

: Sri Jayewardenepura Kotte, butColombo is the commercial capital

Government : Republic

Currency

: Sri Lankan rupee (LKR)

Area total

: 65,610 km2 water: 870 km2

water: 870 km2 land: 64,740 km2

Population

: 20,064,776 (July 2006 est.)

Language : Si

: Sinhala (official and national language) 74%, Tamil (official and national language) 18%,

other 8%

note: English is commonly used in government and is spoken competently by about 10% of the population

Religion

Buddhist 70%, Hindu 15%, Christian 8%, Muslim 8%

(1999)

Electricity

 230V/50Hz (British BS 1363 type plug is most common with fewer (older) installations of BS 546, the circular plug used in India, being present).

Country code : +94 Internet TLD : .lk Time Zone : UTC+5:30

Weather

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Suggested Tour Itinerary

Day 1 : Colombo - Kandy

Arrive Colombo & transfer to Kandy via Pinnawela En route visit the Elephant Orphanage in Pinnawela and a Spice Garden in Mawanella Arrive in Kandy, the last bastion of Sri Lankan rule and resistance to British Colonialism. **Night Stay: Kandy**

Day 2 : Kandy

After breakfast city tour of Kandy, rest of the day free for leisure. **Night Stay: Kandy**

Day 3 : Kandy - Nuwara Eliya

After breakfast proceed to Nuwara Eliya. Enroute visit a tea plantation and a tea factory, where the best tea in the world is produced. You will be told all about the process of manufacturing tea. You can also see how tea is graded. Taste a cup of pure Ceylon tea in the factory. Check in at Hotel. In the evening do a city tour. Nuwara Eliya, Because of its invigorating mountain climate and scenery, is Sri Lanka's most popular hill resort. Nuwara Eliya is also the heart of Sri Lanka's tea estate, producing 50 % of

the world's best tea. Sri Lanka's highest mountain Pidurutalagala (8282 feet) is located here. Nuwara Eliya also has one of the finest 18 hole golf courses in South Asia. Night Stay: Nuwara Eliya

Day 4: Nuwara Eliya - Bentota

After Breakfast, Transfer to Bentota, check in to hotel, rest of the day free for leisure. **Night Stay: Bentota**

Day 5 : Bentota

After Breakfast full day enjoy Beach Activity. **Night Stay: Bentota**

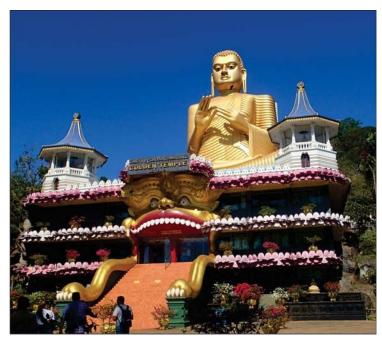
Day 6: Bentota - Colombo

After Breakfast, Proceed to Colombo and check in to hotel. Afternoon for Half day city tour This will include visits to the old Parliament, the present Parliament, the Town Hall, the BMICH, the Fort and Pettah areas, Buddhist and Hindu Temples including the beautiful Gangaramaya Temple and the Shree Ponnambalavaneesvarar Temple, Churches and Mosques including the St. Anthony's

Church near the Colombo Port. Night Stay: Colombo

Day 7 Departure - Onward Destination

After Breakfast Transfer To Airport To Catch The Flight For Your Home Town (B) Tour Over









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Banks: 09:00 to 13:00, Monday to Friday (some stay open until 15:00) **Post Offices:** 09:00 to 17:00, Monday to Friday

Department Stores and Shops: 09:00 to 17:30, Monday to Friday; 09:00 to 13:00 Saturdays **Museums:** 10:00 to 16:30, Tuesday to Saturday **Business Offices:** 09:00 to 17:00, Monday to Friday

Sri Lanka is generally very peaceful and safe. Colombo, and to a lesser degree Kandy, have a small problem with petty crime, which is usually limited to theft. Keep a close eye on your valuables and bags when visiting tourist attractions or beach resorts, as this is where much of the theft takes place. Violent crime against tourists is rare, but you should use extra caution when travelling around at night. E

• Health: No specific inoculations are needed to enter Sri Lanka, but these regulations can change at short notice so it is best to check with your nearest Sri Lankan embassy before travelling. All travellers are recommended to be vaccinated against hepatitis, tuberculosis and Japanese B encephalitis just to be safe.

The biggest health risk in Sri Lanka comes from consuming contaminated food and water. Although most restaurants in the main cities and resort towns should be up to international standards of hygiene, be careful at smaller food shops or roadside stalls. Ensure that any meat or seafood has been thoroughly cooked, and avoid raw vegetables or unpeeled fruit. Water should be considered unsafe to drink everywhere on the island. Bottled water is readily available, so stick to that for everything from drinking to brushing your teeth.

- Language: The official language of Sri Lanka is Sinhala, though English is widely spoken in the tourist areas and by people working within the tourist industry.
- Currency Exchange: The best places to exchange foreign currency into rupee are authorised moneychangers, banks and hotels. Hotels will likely offer the lowest rates, but they are convenient. Major cities such as Colombo and Kandy are the easiest sites for money transactions. There are plenty of ATMs, though some of them don't accept international debit cards. The smaller and more remote the town, the less money amenities will be available.

Credit cards such as Visa, MasterCard and American Express are widely accepted around the country, although in small shops and cafés you will need to use cash. Traveller's cheques are accepted in all banks and at many hotels, and the exchange rates are often slightly better for cheques than those offered for cash exchanges.

- Customs: Each visitor over the age of 18 years may bring two bottles of wine, 1.5 litres of spirits, and a small quantity of perfume into the country for personal use. Visitors are no longer allowed to bring any tobacco products into Sri Lanka without incurring a duty tax. Although a few packs of cigarettes are allowed for personal use, each carton brought in will cost Rs6,000 in duty tax. Also note that only two members of the same family are eligible for duty-free imports.
- Etiquette: A handshake is the most common form of greeting in Sri Lanka, though try to remember to use your right hand for all physical exchanges.

Dress is casual in Sri Lanka, though when visiting Buddhist temples you should take extra care to cover your skin and wear your nicest clothes. Be prepared to remove your shoes when entering any temple or home, and never touch the head of a Buddhist. Don't turn your back on a statue of the Buddha if you are in close proximity. It is fine to take photos of Buddhist statues, but try and face the Buddha when standing next to it. Monks here are held in very high regard, so be extra polite and respectful to them regardless of their age.

• Visa and Passports: Visitors from most countries are eligible for a tourist visa upon arrival at the airport in Sri Lanka. Tourist visas are valid for stays of up to 30 days and require a small fee. Make sure your passport is valid for at least six months from your date of entry. If you want to extend your stay, you need to apply at the immigration office in Colombo.





Country : Jordan
Capital : Amman

Government: Constitutional monarchy

Area : total: 92,300 km2

water: 329 km2 land: 91,971 km2

: Jordanian dinar (JOD)

Population : 5,906,760 (July2006 est.)

Language: Arabic (official), English widely understood among upper and middle

classes

Currency

Religion: Sunni Muslim 92%, Christian 6% other 2% (several small Shi'a Muslim and Druze populations)

Electricity: 220V/50Hz (Continental

round pin & UK plugs)

Country code : 962 Internet TLD : .jo

Time Zone : UTC +2

Weather

Month	Max. Temp. C°	Min. Temp. C ^o
JAN	13.0	4.0
FEB	15.0	5.0
MAR	17.0	6.0
APR	23.0	10.0
MAY	28.0	13.0
JUN	31.0	16.0
JUL	32.0	18.0
AUG	33.0	19.0
SEPT	31.0	16.0
OCT	28.0	14.0
NOV	20.0	9.0
DEC	15.0	5.0

Suggested Tour Itinerary

Day 1 : Amman Airport - Amman HOTEL

Welcome to Jordan, Our Local Representative Will Meet & Greet at Queen Alia Airport with sign with the name, Afterwards proceed to Amman hotel for dinner & overnight **Night Stay: Amman**

Day: 2 Amman - Madaba - Mt. Nebo - Kerak - Petra HOTEL

Full buffet breakfast at Amman Hotel; head towards to visit the mosaic cities of Madaba & Mt. Nebo. Upon arrival, visit the church with mosaic map, then we will head towards to visit Kerak and its castle which was built by the Crusaders, then we will proceed to Petra hotel for dinner & overnight **Night Stay: Petra**

Day: 3 Full Day Petra Visit

Full buffet breakfast at Petra Hotel, Start a full day visiting Jordan's Jewel, the Capital City of the Nabateans, Petra, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, one of the 7 wonders of the world, is the legacy of the Nabateans, an industrious Arab people who settled in south Jordan more than 2000 years ago.

Upon arrival you will take a horseback ride, walk through the Siq, the only access to this city, it's a once in a life time experience, after your visit, drive back to the Hotel for dinner & overnight **Night Stay:**

Petra

Day: 4 Petra HOTEL - Wadi Rum - Amman HOTEL

Full buffet breakfast Petra Hotel, Then head to Wadi Rum the Valley of the Moon, here you will find adventure and feel the romance of the Arabian Desert, Upon arrival to Wadi Rum a 2hrs jeep tour to explore Lawrence Road, visiting the most spectacular sights of Wadi Rum, drive back to Amman Hotel for dinner & overnight **Night Stay: Amman**

Day: 5 Free day

(Option 1-FD Main Six Senses)

Full buffet breakfast at Amman Hotel; Head to Evason Ma'in Hot Springs Sitting amazing 264-meters below sea level, Evason Ma'in is an oasis in the dramatically rugged terrain & has become a destination of choice for those seeking the perfect retreat in which to relax and be pampered whilst

enjoying the benefits of the hot springs and waterfalls, drive back to Amman HOTEL for dinner & overnight

Optional Excursions

• Full Day tour Main Six senses to include car, driver and entrance fees.

(Option 2 - Amman Life Time Experience)

Walking tour at new modern Rainbow street exploring shops, cafes & the old houses before heading to the down town of Amman enjoying a Mint tea at Jaffra Café, Exploring a vegetable Market. Jewelry Market. & the second Hand market, Lunch will be very traditional at the most famous Hashem Restaurant in the down town to Include Hums, Foul & Falafel

Optional Excursions

 Full Day Amman Life time experience to include car, driver, traditional lunch.

Day: 6 Amman HOTEL - Amman City Tour - Jerash - Amman

Full buffet breakfast Amman Hotel, Drive to Amman the capital city of Jordan, Amman is the ancient city of Philadelphia with its Roman Theater and many monuments that can be visited like the Citadel,

Then transfer to the ancient city of Jerash which reveals a fine example of the grand, formal provincial Roman urbanism This is found throughout the Middle East, comprising paved and colonnaded streets, soaring hilltop temples Handsome theatres, spacious public squares and plazas, baths, fountains and city walls pierced by towers and gate, Then drive back to Amman Hotel for dinner & overnight **Night Stay: Amman**

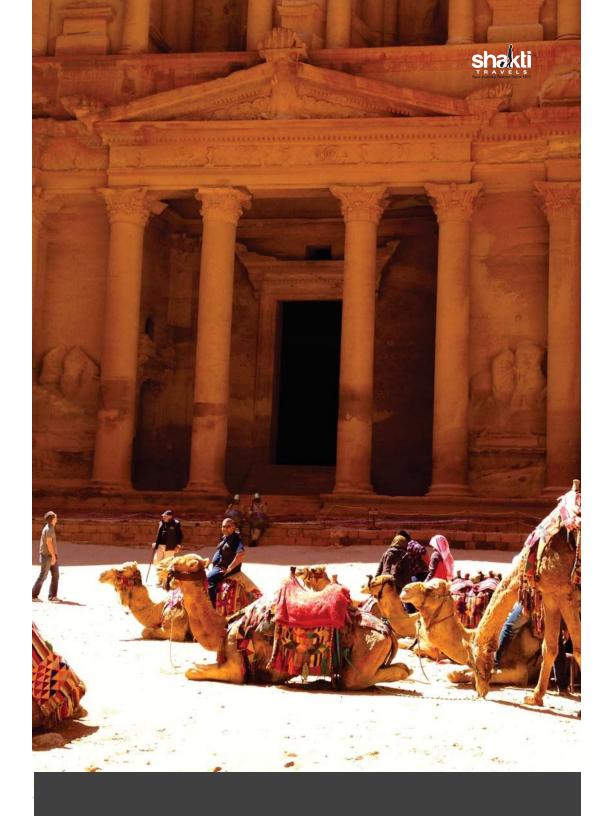
Day: 7 Saturday: Amman, Dead Sea, Amman

Full buffet breakfast Amman Hotel, Then head to Dead Sea (the lowest point on earth 400m below the sea level) free time for swimming, floating, then drive back to Amman Hotel for dinner & overnight **Night Stay: Amman**

Day:8: Departure - Onward Destination

Full buffet breakfast Amman Hotel then transfer to Queen Alia Airport for departure













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Currency

The currency in Jordan is called the dinar (JD). It is divided into 1,000 fils, and 10 fils equals 1 piaster. Paper currency notes come in denominations of JD1, 5, 10, 20, as well as 500 fils. There are silver coins for 25, 50, 100 and 250 fils, as well as copper coins for 5 and 10 file.

Currency Exchange

All foreign currencies can be easily exchanged in banks and currency exchange offices. Most hotels can also change money for you, albeit at a slightly worse rate. Major credit cards are accepted in hotels, restaurants and large shops. ATMs can be found in most of the larger towns and all throughout Amman. Traveller's cheques are accepted by banks and currency exchange offices, but it's advised that you get traveller's cheques in US dollars.

Banking Hours

Banks are open from 08:30 to 15:00, but during Ramadan they are only open from 08:30 until 10:00.

Currency Restrictions

There are no restrictions on the amount of money you can import or export in either dinars or other foreign currencies.

Customs

Visitors can import up to 200 cigarettes or 25 cigars, as well as one litre of alcohol. Visitors under the age of 18 are not qualified for a duty-free allowance. Edible products from animals, flowers, fruits and vegetables are only permitted with a certificate issued by the Department of Agriculture from the country of origin. To find out what you can take home from Jordan, contact your country's Customs Service Office.

Health

The worst health problem visitors are likely to experience is a case of traveller's stomach from exposure to new micro organisms in the food. The tap water is not safe to drink in Jordan, so you should stick to bottled water which is readily available all over the country. Avoid dairy products and raw vegetables. The food in most restaurants should be fine, but always check that any meat has been thoroughly cooked. The intense Jordan sun and dry desert environment is another thing to watch. Wear plenty of sunscreen and a hat to avoid getting cooked. Wherever you go, bring plenty of water and keep hydrated.

Safety

Despite the country's proximity to Iraq, Israel and the Occupied Territories, Jordan is just as safe as most countries around the world. Most tourists in Jordan experience an enjoyable, worry-free trip, with no more preparation needed than the usual precautions against

flashing large amounts of cash or walking along dark alleys at night, etc. Just be aware of your surroundings and keep your valuables hidden. Within Jordan itself, there is little animosity towards Westerners or other groups.

Travellers to Jordan should stay aware of the daily political and sectarian situation within the country and its neighbours. Avoid public demonstrations and be generally cautious in crowded public places such as bus stations.

Social Conventions

Jordanians are very proud of their Arab heritage and consider hospitality a matter of great importance. Visitors will always be made to feel welcome and the Jordanians will act as perfect hosts. Handshakes are the common form of greeting in Jordan. Islam plays a significant role in Jordanian society, so it's essential that visitors learn something about the customs and rules of Islam before going to this country. It's important that you respect the local Islamic traditions. Arabic coffee is normally served during social functions. It will be constantly refilled unless you slightly tilt the cup when handing it back to your host. A small gift is considered polite in return for hospitality. Women should always dress modestly and beachwear must only be worn at the beach or pool. Always ask permission before taking someone's photograph, as in some areas it is forbidden.

Tax and Tipping

There is a US\$10 airport departure tax, but it is usually included in your ticket fare. Most restaurants will add a small service charge to your bill. Otherwise it is considered polite to tip the waiter 10 per cent. Taxi drivers don't expect to be tipped, but again, a 10 per cent tip will be greatly appreciated.

Visa and Passports

All foreigners must have a visa to enter Jordan. You can get a visa upon arrival at the border or in the airport, as well as from consulates in your home country. Visas are good for two weeks upon entry, but can easily be extended for up to three months at any local police station. Travel agents can also handle the visa extensions if you prefer. Always keep your passport with you when you move about.

