



10D8N SAUDI ARABIA, ARABIAN JEWEL

DAY 1 : RIYADH

Welcome to SAUDI ARABIA! A country of contrasts that will leave you with unforgettable memories! Transfer to your hotel. Free time.

Day 2 : RIYADH - DAMMAM - AL HOFUF

B/L

- Visit DAMMAM
- oasis of AL-AHSA, declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO
- King Abdullah Park

Early in the morning we move to the train station, Arabia's railways are very modern. We travel to the coast of the Persian Gulf where we are surprised by the city of DAMMAM, provincial capital with almost a million inhabitants. Following its modern maritime strip we follow the Heritage Village, next to the sea, in the form of a fortress we'll visit its small museum of ancient objects (including its collection of historical cars). Lunch included. We continue towards the impressive Ithra site and its very modern King Abdulaziz center for world Culture - an architecturally very striking place (being rock shaped), with its leisure areas, its museums, its library. Mid-afternoon continuation to the oasis of AL-AHSA, declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Arrival at AL-HOFUF, the main city of the oasis. We will take a night walk through the King Abdullah Park, a pleasant park where its artificial lake and the fountains that dance to the rhythm of the music are a stand out.



Day 3 : AL HOFUF - RIYADH

B/L

- Oasis of AL-AHSA
- AL QARA museum "land of civilizations"
- Elegant souk of Al Qaisariya

We visit the Oasis of AL AHSA, with its gardens, canals, wells. Inhabited since the Neolithic; it is considered the largest oasis in the world with its almost 3 million date palms. In the center of Al-Hofuf we visit the Ibrahim Palace, historical fortress (World Heritage Site) dominated by its white mosque, built in 1556 by the Ottomans. After that we visit the "House of Allegiance" that shows us a small palace characteristic of the oasis. We will stroll through the elegant souk of Al Qaisariya, one of the oldest markets in Arabia, reflecting the commercial tradition of the region. We will approach the lively area where the Muhaires Palace stands, with its many restaurants, shops and parks where the local population goes. Later we travel through the oasis, we go to AL QARA, a spectacular landscape area, labyrinth of mini-gorges-caves in the mountain, and a historical site; it will seem that "you penetrate the mountain", all year round the temperature is around 25 degrees. We also visit its museum "land of civilizations" that describes the history of the area. Note: At the time of writing this itinerary, the Ibrahim Palace was closed for restoration. During the period when it is closed, the palace will be visited from the outside. In the afternoon we take a modern high-speed train, in two hours and 20 minutes we travel almost 350 kilometers of desert that separate us from Riyadh.- RIYADH, arrival. To end the day, we will include transfer and entrance to the Boulevard Riyadh, you will be surprised by its life and activity, the attractions, the numerous restaurants with specialties from numerous countries, its live shows, and - above all- the spectacle of colorful fountains. Time to stroll, dine (dinner not included) and enjoy this place. Return to the hotel.





Day 4 : RIYADH

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- Climb to the tower "Kingdom Centre"
- Masmak Fortre
- District of Al Turaif DIRIYAss, a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Al Rajhi Mosque

Today (the order of activities may vary depending on the time of year) we will visit the impressive capital of Saudi Arabia. We will include the climb to the tower of just over 300 m high, the "Kingdom Centre", with its beautiful design and its "bridge-shaped" viewpoint that offers spectacular views over the city. We will also visit, surrounded by a beautiful park, the National Museum, the largest museum in the country, where we will learn about the history, culture, and art of the Kingdom. After that we will visit the Masmak Fortress, the ancient fortress of the city, whose interior allows us to understand the incredible change that took place in this city during the last century. Afterwards, we will have time to stroll through the neighborhood, with its souks and commercial life. Free time for lunch in a shopping center- Mall- where you can choose from the various restaurants and types of food offered there. In the afternoon we will also visit the district of Al Turaif DIRIYAss, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. This place - on the outskirts of Riyadh - was formerly the first capital of the Saudi dynasty, which we will be able to discover thanks to the vestiges of its numerous palaces and the urban complex at the edge of the oasis of Ad-Diriya. At the end of the day, we will visit the Al Rajhi Mosque, the largest mosque in Riyadh with its Andalusian style architecture, where we will witness a prayer and have an introduction to Islam that will surely make us learn something about this religion. Return to hotel.



Day 5 : RIYADH - AL QASAB - SHAQRA - USHAIQER - BURAYDAH

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- Ancient route of pilgrims

Today we follow the ancient route of pilgrims traveling from Iraq to Mecca, with its many historic towns in small oases. AL QASAB was known since ancient times for its salt and wheat production, also for its poets. We will visit the walled city and the small salt ponds where 200,000 tons of salt are still produced each year. Desert landscapes of dunes lead us to SHAQRA, a city that is growing along with its university. We visit the well-fortified ancient city, with its picturesque old market and adobe alleys. Continue to USHAIQER. Lunch included before transferring to Ushaiqer Heritage Village, a village that was an important stop for pilgrims because of its springs and the beauty of its oasis. We will also visit its small museum and its Najdi architecture houses with its carved wooden doors, its beautiful windows and triangular roofs. Continuation to BURAYDAH, capital of the province of El Kasim with more than 600 000 inhabitants located in a large oasis. Arrival in the late afternoon and free time.





Day 6 : BURAYDAH - MEDINA

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- Largest Camel Market in the world
- Al Oqilat Museum
- MEDINA, "the luminous city"

Early in the morning we will visit the largest Camel Market in the world, located in Buraydah - a city that also houses a camel hospital. The city's economy is also based on agriculture of oasis products (dates, lemons, oranges, wheat), and annually, around August, holds a huge date market that attracts many people from different places to buy their date annual requirement. We will visit "the city of dates" - more or less active depending on the time of the year- and we will be able to taste this sweet fruit of the palm tree. Afterwards, we will have time to stroll through the city center, with its vegetable market, its great mosque, its jewelry souks and its activity. We will visit the Al Oqilat Museum that tells us about the traditions of Arabia and the customs of the region. Free time for lunch. In the afternoon, we continue our route by an excellent highway through the desert. Arrival in the evening to the holy city of MEDINA, "the luminous city". We find ourselves in an outstanding historical and religious destination as it is one of the two most sacred cities of Islam. Medina is visited by millions of pilgrims every year and has been forbidden to non-Muslims until very recently. Respect its inhabitants and beliefs and remember to use the required mode of dress. In the evening, we will go to see - today from outside - the Al Masjid Mosque, built by the prophet himself and the place where he is buried. We will be touched to see the thousands of people who enter at prayer time. Dinner included.



Day 7 : MEDINA - JEDDAH

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- Explore Medina
- Quba Mosque
- Hejaz Railway Museum

We will explore Medina. We will walk around the immense Prophet's Mosque (Al Masjid an Nabawi), an amazing and luminous mosque of 10 minarets with a capacity for one million visitors. On the hill of UHUD, an important pilgrimage site, the prophet's forces clashed with Meccan troops. You can walk through its vast esplanade and climb the hill, but remember to do so in silence and respecting the hundreds of pilgrims who will surround us any day. At the Quba Mosque, in the year 622, the prophet and his followers laid the first stone of what was to be the first mosque in history, although the present building is more recent. From here, we will walk to the nearby garden and well of Ethiq where the different tribes of the place went out to drink water and greet the Prophet and his companions recently arrived in Medina after their persecution in Mecca. Afterwards we will have some free time in the city center to stroll around the shopping areas or -if you wish- visit the Hejaz Railway Museum (in the former Ottoman railway station). In the afternoon we travel to JEDDAH, on the shores of the Red Sea, the second largest city in the country, with four million inhabitants. Before going to the hotel, we will visit the Al-Rahma mosque, better known as the floating mosque, because it is built on the shores of the Red Sea with pillars over the water. We will also enjoy the lively sportive port, very close to the tracks where the Formula 1 circuit is held.





Day 8 : JEDDAH

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- Jeddah Tower
- Entrance to “Tabeyat International city”
- Al-Balad, declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO

Full day in Jeddah. With a local guide we will visit this city that will surprise us by its contrasts. At this time, a large part of the city is being rebuilt to make it a great world megalopolis. Among others, the construction of the Jeddah Tower, which will be the tallest building in the world with more than a thousand meters high, stands out. We will follow the Corniche, with its beautiful views, its mosques by the sea and its recreational areas. We will contemplate the King Fahd Fountain, the highest of its kind in the world, its water jets reach more than 300 meters high. We will stop at the lively and picturesque fish market. We will include the entrance to “Tabeyat International city” an architectural complex of great beauty with its very interesting museums of history and ethnography. We will then visit the historical center, entering through Bab Makkah – the most important gate of Jeddah – and we will also pass by the cemetery of Eve, where tradition says that Eve, Adam’s wife and the first woman of humanity according to the bible, was buried. Free time for lunch in a shopping center- Mall- where you can choose from the various restaurants and types of food offered there. In the afternoon, we will take a walk through its historic center, better known as Al-Balad, declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO, with its impressive set of medieval alleys and its houses made with coral and wooden balconies. We will visit inside the elegant house of Beit Sallum, today converted into a museum.

Day 9 : JEDDAH ➔ KUALA LUMPUR

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After breakfast, check-out as per hotel standard policy then free at own leisure till transfer to airport for flight back to Malaysia.

Day 10 : KUALA LUMPUR

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Departure Dates

GUARANTEE

2023

Aug -- 08,22
 Sep - 05,19
 Oct - 03,17,31
 Nov - 14,28
 Dec - 12,26

2024

Jan - 09,23
 Feb - 06,20
 Mar - 05,19



Proposed Flight Details

Saudi/Qatar/MAS/Emirates/Etihad (subject to seats availability)



MEALS INCLUDED

- 8 Breakfast
- 3 Lunch
- 1 Dinner



ACCOMMODATION (LOCAL 3 - 4 STAR)

RIAD - INTERCITY MALAZ or similar
 AL HOFUF - AL AHSA GRAND HOTE or similar
 BURAI DA - BEST WESTERN PLUS BURAI DAH or similar
 MEDINA - LE MERIDIEN MEDINA or similar
 YEDA - CENTRO SHAHEEN ROTANA JEDDAH or similar

✓ INCLUSIONS

- Travel by bus with English speaking guide
- Includes return airport transfer
- **City tour in:** Riyadh, Medina, Jeddah
- **Evening transfer to Shopping/Entertainment District:** Boulevard Riyadh in Riyadh, Historic centre in Jeddah
- **Entrance Fee:** Heritage Village and King Abdulaziz Center for World Culture in Dammam, Boulevard Riyadh, National Museum, Masmak Fortress and Al Rajhi Mosque in Riyadh , Ushaiqer Heritage Village , Oqilat Museum in Buraydah , garden and well of Ethiq in Medina , Tabeyat International City and house of Beit Sallum in Jeddah
- **High speed train:** Riyadh/ Dammam
- 2 Lunch included in: Dammam, Ushaiqer
- 1 Dinner Included in: Medina
- **Experiences:** Kingdom Centre Tower and introduction to Islam in Al Rajhi mosque in Riyadh, Camel Market and date tasting experience in Buraydah



✂ EXCLUSIONS

- Travel Insurance RM176/pax
- Covid-test (If required)
- Entrance fees not mentioned in itinerary
- Personal Expenses
- Tipping (Pay at own discretion)

Estimated
 Package price
 Including Flight

*Please contact us for actual price
 as it is subject to airline seats
 availability



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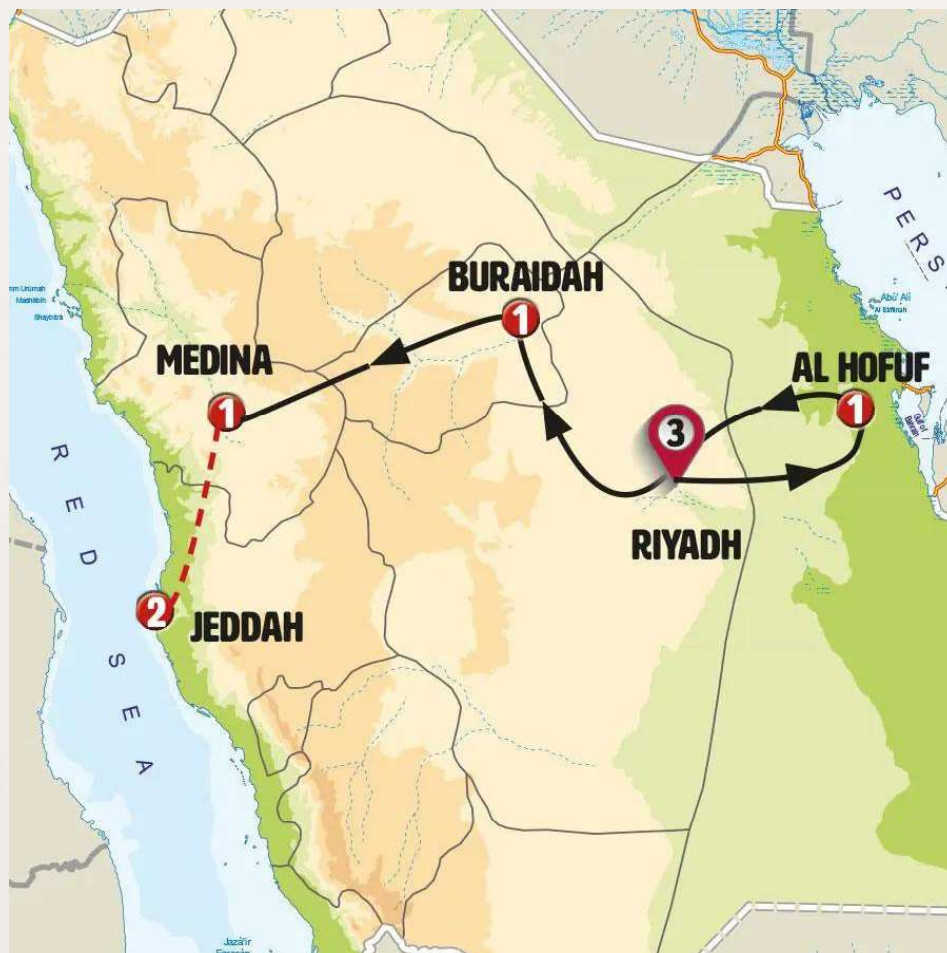


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Tour Information

- Package is joining local group in Saudi (combination of mostly European & Asian tourists)
- Hotel local 3-4*
- Group size average 35pax++ (actual group size you will know when you are in Saudi)
- Itinerary, meals, sightseeing inclusion can refer to detailed itinerary sent earlier.
- This is Standard tour (not luxury or premium type tour)
- Hotel breakfast included, other meals please refer to itinerary
- No guide from Malaysia follow and not going in group from Malaysia
- Upon landing in Saudi driver will pickup from airport arrival hall
- End of tour driver will send back to airport for flight back home
- Tour is conducted by local guide(s) as Bilingual (English & Spanish)