



TRAVELLING TO NEW PLACES WITH CONFIDENCE

Dubai & Abu Dhabi

7-Day, 6-Night Journey

Many travelers are unaware of the two sharply contrasting sides of Dubai. On this memorable journey you'll roam free on the desert and watch the sunrise unfold over golden sand dunes. Glance up at Burj Al Arab (most luxurious hotel in the world), Burj Khalifa (world's tallest building), and the Dubai Mall (second largest shopping mall in the world) beside the sparkling blue Persian Gulf! Witness the amazing centuries old gold and spice trade in this ancient Arabian city.

Explore neighboring Abu Dhabi, the capital city of the United Arab Emirates (UAE). See the giant 24-carat gold gilded Swarovski chandeliers in the national mosque. Visit the Louvre Abu Dhabi Museum which showcases ancient artifacts and heritage from the Middle East. Experience amazing desert adventures and delicious local cuisine on this memorable tour.



Burj Al Arab



Sand Dune Bashing on ATV



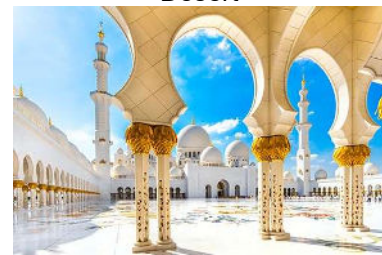
Falcon Experience, Dubai Desert



64 kg Gold Ring at Gold Souk



Dubai Waterway



Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque

Inclusions

- ▶ Hotel Accommodations
- ▶ Daily Breakfast & Selected Meals
(See tour plan for details)
- ▶ English-speaking driver and guide per itinerary
- ▶ Entrance Fees to Monuments and Attractions per itinerary
- ▶ Airport Transfer

Exclusions

- ▶ International Air Fare
- ▶ Government Tourism Fee
- ▶ Travel Insurance
- ▶ Medical Expenses
- ▶ Visa Fee (If applicable. Visa is not required for Americans and Canadians)
- ▶ Gratuities
- ▶ Personal Expenses

Nearby Airport

Dubai - Dubai International Airport (DXB)

Itinerary

DAY 1: ARRIVE DUBAI, UAE

After arriving at **Dubai International Airport (DXB)**, you will be transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is free.
*Hotel check-in time is generally 3 pm or later. If your flight arrives in the early morning (e.g. midnight or 7 am) we suggest you add a pre-tour hotel night during booking for a well-deserved rest before starting your tour.

[6 nights in Dubai]



DAY 2: GUIDED DUBAI CITY TOUR & BURJ KHALIFA

Breakfast at the hotel.

Full day guided excursion of **Modern Dubai** (group, 8 hours @9am):

- Photo stop at Jumeirah beach.
- Visit Madinat Jumeirah Souk
- Ride the Palm Monorail for a scenic view of the Palm Islands

- Photo stop at Palm Jumeirah, Museum of the Future, Dubai Frame
- Marina Walk
- Dubai Mall
- Proceed to **Burj Khalifa At-the-Top** entrance at the reservation time of your ticket (at non-prime hours). Take the elevator to 124th floor. Step out onto the highest outdoor observation deck in the world at the Burj Khalifa on the 124th floor, soaring at 452 meters (1,483 ft) high and then walk up the spiral staircase to the 125th floor (at non-prime hours).

[Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 3: ABU DHABI EXCURSION

Breakfast at the hotel, then a full day guided excursion to explore the splendid city of **Abu Dhabi**, the federal capital of the UAE. (group, 10 hours @8am)

Visit the **Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque**, one of the largest mosques in the world. It features 82 domes, more than 1,000 columns, 24-carat-gold gilded Swarovski chandeliers and the world's largest hand-knotted carpet.

Visit the iconic **Louvre Abu Dhabi Museum** (ancient artifacts and heritage from the Middle East).

Visit **Heritage Village**.

Photo stop at Emirates Palace.

Enjoy a scrumptious Buffet Lunch.

Please note the required dress code for visiting **Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque**:

- Women: Loose, long trousers or skirts reaching ankles and long sleeves reaching wrists. Shoulders must be covered. No shorts, tight or transparent clothing and no visible tattoos. Women must cover their heads and hair with a scarf.
- Men: Long pants and shirts with sleeves.

[Meals: Breakfast, Lunch]

DAY 4: SUNRISE DESERT SAFARI & OLD DUBAI CITY TOUR WITH LUNCH

An 8-hour adventure beginning at 8am, group experience.

Early in the morning, we drive for an hour into the desert and enjoy a **sand dune** experience. Start with a Desert **Buggy Ride** (30 minutes). You'll plunge through the golden dunes with Instagram worthy photo stops. Followed by a **camel ride** (10 minutes) and **photo with a falcon** and its handler. And then **sand boarding**.

Continue with your Arabic experience with **an authentic Emirati lunch** (For example roasted meat served with nuts, raisins and spiced rice. Menu is subjected to change.) at **Al Fahidi**, a prominent heritage site showcasing traditional Dubai lifestyle.

Visit **Al Bastakiya** historic neighborhood.

Visit **Gold & Spice Souks**: Get a sense of what commerce was like back in the old days, by strolling through the city's traditional souks or bazaars: Gold Souk (gold market) and Spice Souk (spice market).

Then cross the **Dubai Creek** on an **Abra boat**.

[Meals: Breakfast, Emirati Lunch]

DAY 5: DUBAI PERSONALIZED EXCURSION DAY

You choose one of the following included excursions:

OPTION 1: Desert Experience with BBQ Dinner & Entertainment (6 hours @3pm)

In the afternoon we drive for an hour into the desert and enjoy a sand dune bashing experience ('safari') driven by a professional driver trained in Dubai desert driving. You'll plunge through the golden dunes with Instagram worthy photo stops.

Transfer to a traditional Arabian desert campsite. Enjoy a brief camel ride, get a henna tattoo and Shisha Corner (Hubbly Bubbly).

Watch the picturesque desert sunset. Cultural dance performances including belly dance, tanoura dance and fire dance. Cap it off with a BBQ buffet (Vegetarian & Non-vegetarian dishes, Arabic sweets and fresh fruits) under the starry night sky. Return to your hotel in the late evening.

OPTION 2: Miracle Garden and Global Village (including admission and shared transfers (6 hours @2:30pm. Only available from October to April)

This is a self-guided trip. Experience the cultural entertainment and rides of Global Village. Explore their spread of international food and shop for souvenirs

Discover the world's largest flower garden at Miracle Garden. Witness the 45 million blooming flowers in stunning designs, awesome shapes and eye-catching colors in Miracle Garden.

OPTION 3: Evening Dinner Cruise including return transfers (3 hours @6:30pm)

Explore Dubai's famous waterway on a two-tier dhow boat. Its lower deck offers a glass-enclosed dining room while the upper deck provides an al fresco buffet experience. Enjoy a scrumptious international buffet dinner while soaking up the bustling evening skyline.

OPTION 4: Half Day Sharjah City Tour

Admire the breathtaking architecture of the **King Faisal Mosque** and gain more knowledge about the Islamic culture.

Travel back to the year 1820 with a stop at **Fort of Sharjah**, which was the former home of the ruling family.

Immerse yourself in the beauty of Islamic art at the **Sharjah Islamic Museum**.

Indulge in a shopping-spree at **Sharjah Central Souq**.

Explore **Sharjah Safari**, the largest safari park in the world outside of Africa and home to 120 species of animals.

[Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 6: DUBAI BEACH DAY OR SHOPPING DAY

Breakfast at the hotel. A vehicle with driver is available for 8 hours for transfers between hotel, beach and shopping malls within selected areas in Dubai City.

[Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 7: DEPART DUBAI

Your tour ends today. Hotel check-out and transfer to **Dubai International Airport (DXB)** for your flight home. Most flights arrive in the USA on the same day.

[Meals: Breakfast]

*Hotel check-out time is generally around 11 am. If your flight departs in the evening or past midnight, we suggest you consider adding a post-tour hotel night during booking, to be comfortable and well rested before your flight home.

*The duration and start time of excursions are subject to change without prior notice.

Hotels

We carefully handpick our hotels to ensure they provide you with the best comfort and experience. For Private Tours, you may request a specific hotel as one of the customizable options.

Standard double room is included with your tour. Room upgrades available in the same hotel.

