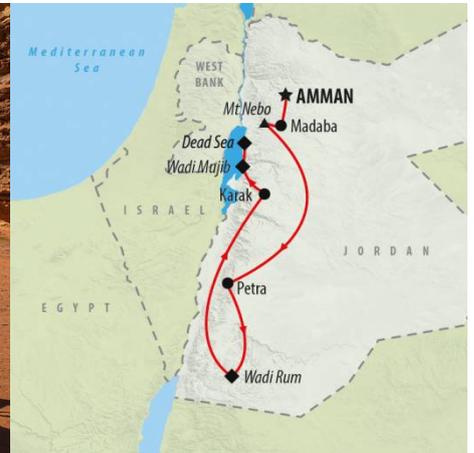


Passage to Petra

6 days | Starts/Ends: Amman



Spend two incredible nights in Petra's lost city, camp under the stars in Mars-like Wadi Rum, relax in the otherworldly Dead Sea and explore the Siq Trail of Wadi Mujib in six adventure-filled days.

HIGHLIGHTS AND INCLUSIONS

Trip Highlights

- Wadi Mujib - trek the Siq Trail of Wadi Mujib Biosphere Reserve
- Two nights in Petra - UNESCO-listed Nabataean city that was all but lost to the modern world until its rediscovery in 1812
- Wadi Rum - Vast red desert landscape with rolling dunes and dramatic rock formations
- Dead Sea - Beautiful landscape with warm buoyant mineral-rich waters
- Shobak Crusader castle - Perched dramatically on a hill top
- Mt Nebo - Perhaps one of the most sacred sites in Jordan with views across the Promised Land
- Madaba - Christian market town, Church of St George, Jordan's finest Byzantine mosaics
- Umm ar-Rasas - An ancient city and important stop on the caravan route between east and west

- Amman - Ancient hilltop citadel, fascinating Archaeological Museum and bustling souqs

What's Included

- 5 breakfasts and 1 dinners
- 4 nights - 4 star hotels and 1 night - Wadi Rum deluxe desert camp
- 4x4 desert safari through the sand dunes of Wadi Rum
- Dead Sea - Free time to swim and detox
- Touring of Amman, Dead Sea, Petra, Wadi Rum, Shobak, Umm ar-Rasas and Mt Nebo
- Escorted by a licensed Jordanian tour guide
- English speaking specialist guides at some local sights
- Airport arrival and departure transfer on day 1 and day 6. Please note departure transfers on day 6 are only offered at 04:00, 07:00 and 12:00
- All transfers and transportation in private modern air-conditioned vehicles

What's Not Included

- Tipping Kitty: USD\$40-50pp, paid in local currency
- Entrance Fees: USD\$120-140pp, paid in local currency
- International flights and visa
- Laundry, drinks and items of a personal nature

- Tip for your tour guide. We recommend you allow USD\$5 - 7 per day, per traveller. Tipping your guide is an entirely personal gesture

ITINERARY

Day 1 : Amman



Sunday. Welcome to Jordan and the start of an amazing adventure. Arrive Amman, included transfer to our hotel and overnight.

Overnight - Amman

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Day 2 : Mt Nebo & the Promised Lands



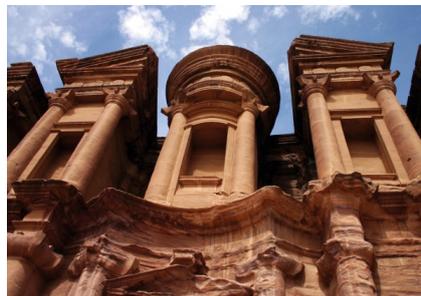
Amman - Madaba - Mount Nebo - Umm ar Rasas - Petra. Today we tour the citadel and Archaeological Museum of Amman before we take a walk through the bustling local souk to enjoy typical Jordanian street treats of falafel and hummus at the country's most popular local street stand. As the pictures on the wall will prove, the unglamorous food stand was a great favourite of the late King Hussein.

Leaving Amman we'll stop first at Mt. Nebo, the site from which Moses saw the Promised Land. Having led the Israelites for 40 years through the wilderness, Moses finally saw them from this awesome vantage point. This amazing panorama includes the Jordan River Valley, the Dead Sea, Jericho and the spires and domes of the Mt. of Olives and Bethlehem on the Judean hills just across the wide valley. Later we visit Madaba en route to Petra where we see the Church of St George, the Madaba Archaeological Park, Apostles Church and Madaba Museum.

Our next port of call is Um ar-Rasas, one of Jordan's World Heritage sites and once an important stop on the busy caravan routes. The impressive mosaic floor of the St. Stephen Church features medallions commemorating all the early Christian pilgrimage sites of the region, and the extensive ruins also include one of the area's earliest Stylite towers, where a Byzantine hermit lived atop the tower and preached to the pilgrimage visitors.

Our final stop of the day is Petra. Consider doing a Petra by Night excursion (payable locally) for a tantalizing candlelight stroll through Petra's Siq...a romantic preview of things to come. **Overnight - Petra (B)**

Day 3 : The Nabatean City of Petra



Begin the day with a walk through the mysterious mile-long Siq, the narrow gorge with towering sandstone walls which leads into the ancient capital city of the Nabatean trading empire. Explore the Khazneh (the temple of Indiana Jones fame), Theatre, Colonnaded Street and Museum. After lunch, climb to ad-Deir (the Monastery), Petra's largest carved façade.

In the evening, why not try your hand at our Petra Kitchen Add-on to join fellow travelers for a cuisine course at the Petra Kitchen, where you'll help prepare a memorable Jordanian feast. Petra Kitchen Add-on . **Overnight - Petra (B)**

Day 4 : Wadi Rum desertscape



Petra - Wadi Rum. This morning we have the opportunity to join our guide for a return to Petra along the "secret way" of al-Madras, with visits to the High Place of Sacrifice and Wadi Farasa. At lunchtime we stop in the Wadi Musa souk to pick up delicious shawarma sandwiches or fruit and veggie snacks from the local produce souk before making the scenic drive to Wadi Rum.

We make a late afternoon jeep tour of this moonscape desert terrain, arriving to our remote camp site deep in the heart of the Wadi Rum. We enjoy a magical evening under the brilliant stars of the desert night sky, including a scrumptious traditional Jordanian dinner. **Overnight - Wadi Rum (B, D)**

Day 5 : Shobak Castle, Wadi Mujib Canyoning & the Dead Sea



Wadi Rum - Shobak – Wadi Mujib - Dead Sea. After breakfast at the campsite, we head north along the Desert Highway to visit Shobak Castle, which is perched dramatically on a hill top and was built by the Crusader king Baldwin I in 1115. After exploring the castle we descend some 1300 meters to the Dead Sea, the lowest point on the earth's surface. More than 400 meters below sea level, the mineral-rich Dead Sea is the world's original health and beauty spa. Drift out and bob in the waters and slap on some of the famous black Dead Sea mud to give your skin an invigorating boost.

For departures between April and October we'll head up the King's Highway to Wadi Mujib. We'll embark on a moderate –paced two hour trek along the Siq Trail. Measuring 500 metres in depth and spanning 4 kilometres across, the impressive Wadi Mujib is one of Jordan's most remarkable natural features. This dramatic canyon features sheer rocky walls and sparkling waterways that range from puddle height to depths that are perfect for swimming (chest height or deeper) depending on the rainfall. When the water level is high you should be prepared for having to climb up ladders, clamber across boulders and be happy to wade through water. The canyoning is just one feature of the

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Mujib Biosphere Reserve, the lowest nature reserve in the world, home to a surprising diversity of wildlife and plant species. After our trek we make our way to the Dead Sea. For those not interested in taking the full hike, you can walk part of or wait by the Visitor Centre till the group returns. After our trek we make our way to the Dead Sea. **Overnight - Dead Sea (B)**

Day 6 : Dead Sea



Friday. Dead Sea - Amman Airport. Hotel check out and included onward transfer to the airport in Amman. Departure transfers are offered at 04:00, 07:00 and 12:00 on day 6. If you would like a departure transfer at any other time or a transfer with post tour accommodation this can be arranged at an additional cost.(B)

HOTELS

The hotels listed below are ones which we frequently use on this tour. We reserve the right to substitute these hotels to ones of a similar standard when necessary.

Al-Qasr Metropole

Recently refurbished, the Al Qasr Metropole is a modern and chic boutique hotel. Guest rooms are beautifully furnished and include free Wi-Fi connection and luxury en suite facilities. All guests at the Al Qasr gain free access to the on site Fitness First gym as well as a complimentary breakfast. The rooftop restaurant has fantastic panoramic views of Amman and is a great place to spend the evening. The hotel is well located in Shmeisani, one of Amman's most prestigious neighbourhoods.



Old Village Resort

Located above Wadi Mousa, Old Village Resort has a wonderfully traditional feel about it with open stonework and original architecture. Rooms are full of character, some with delightful archways and all directly accessed from the outside. The hotel boasts an indoor swimming pool and sauna and beautiful views of the surrounding mountains. For dinner why not dine al fresco at the restaurant overlooking the mountains. Well located in forested wadis facing Petra's mountains.



Rainbow Camp

A row of permanent tents in the desert make up the popular Rainbow Camp. Inside the tents are comfortable camp beds and warm bedding. Showers and toilets are close by and are cleaned thoroughly every day. Guests can relax in the communal area which is adorned with colourful rugs and cushions. The food at Rainbow Camp always gets rave reviews. Taking an evening stroll around the beautiful surroundings is a great way to work up an appetite before dinner. This accommodation is well located in the heart of Wadi Rum.



Holiday Inn Resort

Graced with interconnecting palm fringed swimming pools leading to the Dead Sea,

the Holiday Inn is an Arabesque style hotel. Guest rooms are elegantly furnished and benefit from complimentary high speed internet. The hotel also has an on site fitness centre and a fine choice of Spa facilities. The 24 hour sleek bar is the perfect place for a tippie at any time of the day or night. The accommodation is located on the shores of the world famous Dead Sea.



PRICES / DATES INFO

Departure dates noted with a 'G' are guaranteed to operate. All other departure dates are guaranteed with a minimum of 2 persons. Prices shown are per person travelling. 'Twin/Double' prices per person apply when there are 2 people travelling, sharing a room. The 'Single supplement' applies for single travellers who require their own room and needs to be added to the 'Twin/Double' price. If you are happy to be paired up with another single traveller of the same sex on your tour, this can be arranged, thus avoiding the single person supplement.

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Date	Twin Share	Single
05 May	USD 1,645	USD 2,105
19 May	USD 1,645	USD 2,105
26 May	USD 1,645	USD 2,105
09 Jun	USD 1,645	USD 2,105
23 Jun	USD 1,645	USD 2,105
07 Jul	USD 1,645	USD 2,105
21 Jul	USD 1,645	USD 1,645
04 Aug	USD 1,645	USD 1,645
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27 Oct	USD 1,645	USD 2,105
03 Nov	USD 1,645	USD 2,105
17 Nov	USD 1,645	USD 1,645
24 Nov	USD 1,645	USD 2,105
08 Dec	USD 1,645	USD 2,105
23 Dec	USD 1,745	USD 2,205
28 Dec	USD 1,745	USD 2,205

PRICES / DATES 2020

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05 Jan	USD 1,645	USD 2,105
12 Jan	USD 1,645	USD 1,645
26 Jan	USD 1,645	USD 2,105
09 Feb	USD 1,645	USD 2,105
23 Feb	USD 1,645	USD 1,645
08 Mar	USD 1,695	USD 2,155
22 Mar	USD 1,695	USD 2,155
05 Apr	USD 1,695	USD 2,155
12 Apr	USD 1,695	USD 2,155
26 Apr	USD 1,695	USD 2,155
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