

Dubai Dubai 9 Days

Highlights:

- ★ Include the top three major cities in UAE
- ★ Ascend to the top of Burj Khalifa and enjoy the birds' eye view from the tallest building in the world
- ★ Catch the excitement of the most stunning and dynamic evening Dubai fountain show with lights and music
- ★ Feast your nose and eyes with aroma and glitz in the age-old Dubai spice souk and gold souk
- ★ Discover the imposing man-made Jumeirah Palm Island in the ocean
- ★ Go for a desert safari in a 4X4 cruiser and watch a traditional dance performance with dinner
- ★ Admire the masterpiece of modern Islamic architecture-the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque
- ★ Visit the Abu Dhabi Falcon Hospital which is the largest one of such in the world
- ★ Visit 1 UNESCO World Cultural Heritage Site 

Included:

1. Round-trip international flight
2. Hand-picked 4-star hotel accommodations
3. Sightseeing admission fees as listed on the agenda
4. Food as specified on the itinerary
5. Special cultural programs as specified in the schedule
6. Professional English speaking local tour expert
7. All tax and fuel surcharge

Excluded:

1. Travel insurance
2. Any personal expenses
3. Tour extensions and optional programs
4. Gratuity for tour guides and drivers
5. Single supplement fee: U\$599





Day 1: Depart from USA/Canada

Breakfast: N/A | Lunch: N/A | Dinner: N/A

- On board international flight to Dubai.

Day 2: Dubai Arrival

Breakfast: N/A | Lunch: N/A | Dinner: N/A

- Upon arrival, our friendly local guide will meet you at the airport and transfer you to the hotel (transfer is not included if you booked the land only package). The balance of the day is at leisure.
- Dubai is one of the seven emirates of the United Arab Emirates known for luxury shopping, ultramodern architecture blended with Arabic history and culture.

Day 3: Dubai

Breakfast: Yes | Lunch: N/A | Dinner: N/A

- After breakfast, Make a photo stop at Dubai's signature landmark **Burj Al Arab**, the celebrated sail-shaped hotel erecting in the **Persian Gulf**, connected by a bridge with the sea shore. Designed by Atkins as the first 7-star ultra luxury hotel in the world, the Burj Al Arab, also named "*Arab Star*", the "*Tower of Arab*", has been nominated to

be the first place of the global top 10 most deluxe hotels by "*Conde Nast Traveler*". Continue our journey to touch down on the **Jumeirah Palm**, the world's first artificial island in the ocean innovatively constructed as if it were a palm tree floating on water. Board the monorail and ride to the tiptop of the palm tree. En route, admire the perfectly designed villas and houses on each branch of the palm. Disembark and you will see the grand and posh Atlantis Palm Resort standing in front of you surrounded by turquoise ocean, white beach and the Lost Chambers of Aquarium. Next, you will be bused to the 2716ft/828m high, world tallest building, 162-story **Burj Khalifa**, a masterpiece of the famed SOM. Take a super high-speed escalator to the observation deck – "*At the Top Sky*" on the 124th floor in 59 seconds. This is your WOW moment to enjoy the azure ocean, golden desert, towering minarets and miracle skyline 1820ft/555m above the ground. Head to the gigantic commercial complex-**Dubai Mall** which is believed to be the largest mall in the world housing big brands, boutique stores, gift shops, food court, Michelin restaurants, amusement arcade, movie theaters, ice rink and, to your surprise, a huge **Mall Aquarium**. This two-floor high indoor aquarium is unimaginably built inside a shopping center resembling natural underwater scenery. **Dubai Museum** in the Al Fahidi Fort is our next program to obtain an overall picture of what the city was like in the past. Your last highlight of the day is watching the **Dubai Fountain Show** on the Burj Khalifa Lake which is a must on the agenda for travelers from all over the world. Animated with performances set to light and music, Dubai Fountain is by far the largest and tallest of its kind worldwide visible from some 20mi/32km away. Free up your energy and shake a leg to the dynamic rhythm of the "*Dance of Water*".





Day 4: Dubai

Breakfast: Yes | Lunch: N/A | Dinner: N/A

- Today you can explore Dubai on your own or join us for an incredible optional journey with lunch included.

Optional Tour: Dubai City tour with lunch U\$129/person

- Today, we are going to venture into the **Deira Dubai** which is the old section of town where the traditional lifestyle has been well preserved. Dubai was a small fishing village but because of the prime location and easy transportation, this place has been the trade and wholesale hub for spices, jewelry and textile in the Middle East for a long history. Join our group to walk through the hustle and bustle **Fabric Market** where the locals often come for picking their favorite materials, choosing various accessories and having apparel custom-made. Jump into a **Water Taxi Abra** with the natives to ride across the **Dubai Creek** and call on the **Dubai Spice Souk**, an inviting place full of colorful, aromatic ingredients and herbs. Wander along the narrow alleyways lined with stalls offering all kinds of spices and additives from the Middle East and as far as India. If you are so curious, pinch and taste the flavors and ask for the recipes from the friendly vendors as you explore this fragrant marketplace. **Dubai Gold Souk** is another must-see spot not far from the spice bazaar where you have more small passages to discover. The stores here expose travelers to an endless array of stylish gems, silver, platinum and of course gold from around the world that attract dealers and brokers in large numbers every year. There must be something to your liking from the range of products here and get ready to practice your bargaining skills with these outlet owners and select a piece of keepsake to take home. Follow our guide to meet our bus via **Perfume Souk**. **Bastakiya Quarter** is a historical district where old wind-tower houses of wealthy merchants are still

in good shape. If you wish to know more about the city behind all the looming skyscrapers, step in the art gallery, the café, and **Sheikh Mohammed Centre** to learn how Dubai emerged from a small unknown town to such a futuristic cosmopolitan metropolis within 50 years. Meet and chat with your host at this old neighborhood about the traditions and history of the city followed by a lunch of authentic Emirati cuisine.

- Come back to the hotel and the rest of the day is at leisure or you are welcome to opt for our optional **Dubai by Night** excursion.

Optional Tour: Dubai by Night with dinner and show on cruise U\$99/person

- Board the **Arabian Dhow Cruise** with fellow travelers to admire sparkling Dubai landmarks all lit up at night. Enjoy dinner onboard with live entertainment/music. On the way back to the hotel, make a photo stop at the flashy **Dubai Frame** shining in the evening, symbolizing the promising future of Dubai.

Day 5: Dubai

Breakfast: Yes | Lunch: N/A | Dinner: N/A

- Today you can explore Dubai on your own or join us for an amazing optional journey with special dinner included.

Optional Tour: 4X4 Desert Safari with dinner show in Bedouin village U\$99/person

- In the afternoon after the heat, your excursion will be set off by jumping on a 4X4 vehicle with our skilled professional driver and moving on to **Dubai Desert Conservation Reserve**. Take part in the heart-beating dune bashing ride, quad biking and sandboarding. Make a quick stop on the highest sand dune for photo ops of the spectacular sunset. Proceed to the camel farm located in the heart of the desert and hop a camel for a short ride across the desert to a **Bedouin Campsite** where you are invited to participate in various cultural activities like henna





painting, falconry displaying, Arabic bread-making and photo shooting in Arabic costume. Try Arabic coffee, dates and shisha smoking (from water pipe) before experiencing the Emirati hospitality by tasting the starlight Arabian BBQ buffet for a special dinner around the campfire, accompanied by the **Tanura Dance** and **Belly Dance** Performance.

- Return to the hotel in Dubai with unforgettable memories.

Day 6: Dubai - Abu Dhabi

Breakfast: Yes | Lunch: Yes | Dinner: N/A

- Depart for Abu Dhabi, the capital of the United Arab Emirates after breakfast. Make our first stop at **Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque**, an eye-catching symbol of the city which nobody wants to miss out. Being one of the world's largest mosques featuring different Islamic architectural schools, the pure white mosque was constructed in memory of Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, the founder of the UAE. With 4 tall minarets, 82 white marble domes, 1,096 jasper embedded columns, 24-carat-gold gilded chandeliers and the world's largest hand-knotted carpet, the massive architectural work of art is unparalleled and will certainly have an impact in history. Make a few photo stops and admire the gleaming architecture marvels including the new CBD-**Etihad Towers**, the "*Leaning Tower of Abu Dhabi*"-**Capital Gate**, the world only 8 star super deluxe hotel-**Emirates Palace Hotel**, and A quick visit to the **Heritage Village** where you step back to the past life of Bedouin nomadic tribe before oil was found. Walk into local workshops and see how the craftsmen make metalwork, weave fabric, bake pottery, carve woodwork and blow glass. Explore the **Qasr al-Hosn**, known as the "*White Fort*", or "*Old Fort*". This oldest stone building was constructed in 1761 as a watchtower to protect the only fresh water well in the area and now it has been converted as an exquisite history museum.
- Stay overnight in Abu Dhabi.

Day 7: Abu Dhabi

Breakfast: Yes | Lunch: N/A | Dinner: N/A

- Today is free for your own activities or you could join us for an optional day trip with lunch covered.



Optional Tour: Abu Dhabi City tour with lunch
U\$179/person

- We invite you to step into the extravagant presidential palace-**Qasr al Watan**, a well designed and beautifully decorated White House demonstrating the spirit of UAE. Then visit the **Louvre Abu Dhabi**, one of the "*Modern Urban Architecture Miracles*" in the whole world. Sponsored by the Louvre, as the "*Largest Cultural Project Outside France*", the Louvre Abu Dhabi was designed not only for housing and exhibiting the priceless works of art, but also as a timeless architectural masterpiece harmoniously combined with elements of white wall, blue ocean, golden desert and silver dome, depicting that the UAE is undergoing a speedy development and gaining full confidence marching towards the future. **Abu Dhabi Falcon Hospital** (ADFH) is by far and without question the largest medical institution in the whole world offering health care services exclusively for falcons. As this magic and skillful bird has played an important role in Bedouins's lives in the history, falcon is becoming the national bird of the country and cultural symbol of the city today. You have a chance to visit the museum and wards or even try your hand at the garden to make a friend with one of them when it sits on your arm.

- Stay overnight in Abu Dhabi.


Day 8: Abu Dhabi - Al Sharjah - Dubai

Breakfast: Yes | Lunch: N/A | Dinner: N/A

- Drive along the **Corniche** and **Breakwater** before heading to Al Sharjah via the world's only **Ferrari Theme Park** (outside view).





- Al Sharjah is the third largest city of UAE. Taking pride in some notable museums, mosques and heritage sites, Sharjah is also named the “*Cultural Capital of the Arabic World*” by UNESCO . Photo stop at **Cultural Square**, the city center encircled by the Royal Palace, Royal Mosque, public library and cultural center. Immerse yourself in the **Museum of Islamic Civilization** featuring 5000 pieces of antiquities showcasing the Islamic history, culture, religion, tradition and art. Step into **Bait Al Nabooda House** which was built in the mid-19th century as a residence and get a glimpse of how the wealthy pearl merchant lived back then. Come back to Dubai and spend some time in the Emirates Mall for free lunch and shopping.

- Overnight stay in Dubai.

Day 9: Depart for USA/Canada

Breakfast: Yes | Lunch: N/A | Dinner: N/A

- After breakfast, transfer to the airport and board the flight back to your home (transfer is not included if you booked the land only package).



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