



# CT-17 FULL DAY EAST & WEST SALALAH

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## What To Expect

Travel with Oman Safari Tours travel across wadis, beautiful frankincense land, Old Castles, archeological sites, attractive white sand beaches

## Guaranteed Tour Dates 2018

Everyday tour from Monday-Sunday

## Price

Price –98 USD per head

## **Specifications**

<b>Type:</b>	<b>Full Day Trip</b>
<b>Arrival/Departure:</b>	<b>Salalah Port/Airport/Hotel</b>
<b>Duration:</b>	<b>Full Day tour</b>
<b>day drive (hrs)</b>	<b>08 Hrs</b>
<b>Availability:</b>	<b>As per request</b>
<b>Product code:</b>	<b>CT-17</b>
<b>Language</b>	<b>English</b>
<b>Special request for language speaking guide</b>	<b>Italian/French/German/Spanish/Chinese etc</b>

## **Tour Itinerary:-**

The excursion begins in the morning at 10:00 AM with a visit Al Hafa Souq (Frankincense Souq) the proceed to the old fishing village of '**Taqah**', famous for the manufacture of 'Dried Sardines' & its traditional & old '**Dhofari Houses**'. Visit the century old '**Taqah Castle**', the former official residence of the 'Wali' (Governor) of the region & obtain a glimpse into the rich history of the region. Continue onto the ancient ruins of the once famous city of **Sumharam (Khor Rohri)**.



The city was the easternmost outpost of the Hadramawt Kingdom on the ancient incense route between the Mediterranean Sea, Persian Gulf and India. Khor Rori was an important port on the coast of Dhofar, and one of the major trading cities with frankincense, believed to have been the hub & harbour for the shipping of Frankincense (UNESCO World Heritage site). On the way back to western Salalah, explore the **'ever green Wadi Darbat'** for a relaxing stroll along the Wadi bed, surrounded by herds of Camels, Goats & Cattle. In the Khareef season (monsoon period), one could also witness an almost 100m natural Waterfall, spreading its 'tentacles' into numerous lakes & lush green Vegetation. Thereafter proceed to 'Qara' mountains to explore the western part of Salalah. On a road steadily winding up a steep incline, herds of Camels & Cattle are a common sight which gives a scenic view of a traditional Dhofari rural beauty. Visit the ancient tomb of 'Prophet Job' situated in the scenic green mountains of the Salalah Plains.



Proceed to the **beach of Mughsail** where the white sand touches the deep blue of the ocean & at high tide, where waves burst through the natural titanic **'Blow Holes'**, at the far end of the 'Rocky beach' with a cave-like entrance. Continue along the 'Hair-pin-bend' road towards Western Border of Oman, with its breathtaking cliffs on either side, to see the historical **'Frankincense trees'** growing in their natural habitat, deep down in the valleys, dotting the dry & craggy countryside. Take a short walk into the valleys to smell the 'Holy Incense' amidst the scenic view of the region. Return to the hotel.



#### **Inclusions:-**

- Whole tour as per above mentioned itinerary
- Vehicle as per group size
- English speaking Guide/cum Driver
- Mineral water during tour

#### **Exclusions:-**

- All Entrance Tickets (Forts & Museums)
- Meals other than mentioned
- All expenses of personal in nature
- Anything which is not specifically mentioned in inclusions part

#### **Note:-**

- All tours are guided & on private basis
- Booking can be made on first cum first services basis
- Above rates are on NETT Basis & is Non- Commissionable

#### **Cancellation Fees:-**

Cancel up to 24 hrs in advance for a full refund

## ADDITIONAL NOTE

Please note that this tour is on request basis and can be started any day of the week. In case we are not able to secure the accommodation as per the above program we would give you the option of operating the tour in reverse

**All Museum / forts visits are subject to change without notice. Museums are normally closed on, Fridays, Saturdays and Public Holidays. Similarly visits to forts may be changed without notice since certain forts are often closed temporarily for renovations on a regular basis.**

\*\* The Sultan Qaboos Grand Mosque in Muscat can be visited between 0800 – 1100 hrs on working days from Saturdays to Thursdays and it remains closed on Friday and public holidays

## GUIDELINES FOR TOURIST

- **LUGGAGE:** For your convenience. Please bring only light luggage, maximum 1 medium suitcase+1 small hand carry bag.
- **DRESS CODE:** Please be aware that you will be visiting a predominantly Muslim country and it is always wise to dress with more modest clothing in public places in respect of their culture. No sleeveless shirts or shorts or other similar clothing (except on the beach or hotel pool where beachwear is allowed) Good and comfortable shoes are essential for sightseeing. You may be required to remove your foot wear before entering mosques or other religious sites. For visit at grand mosque, men and women should wear attire covering their arms and legs. Women should cover their heads with scarf.
- **WATER:** Drinking water bottle is widely available and is advised in all areas outside of Muscat. Outside of Muscat, milk may be unpasteurized. Only eat well-cooked meat and fish. Vegetables should be cooked and fruit peeled.
- **PHOTOGRAPHERS** will find an enormous choice of subjects here. It is advisable to take photographs of locals only with their permission. Women in particular do not like being photographed. It is forbidden to take pictures of military facilities, border and airports. Observe 'NO PHOTOGRAPHY' signs particularly in Mosques.
- **TIPPING** is always at the discretion of the client and is not obligatory. Tips for porter age at hotel check-in/check-out services have not been included in cost of your tour. Gratuities for your guide have not been included in your cost. Tipping of your transfer staff, drivers have not been included in your tour cost. Tipping for restaurant services, portage within hotels, room service, and any optional sightseeing is NOT included
- Tipping guidelines for services of your Private guide/Driver is approximately Eur 2/Eur 8 per traveler per day. Gratuities to your transfer staff are approximately EUR 4/2 per traveler per day. Tips in restaurant are usually 10% per meal
- **CREDIT CARDS :** All major credit such as visa and master Card are widely accepted
- **HOURS OF BUSINESS:** Normal Business hours are 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM and 4:00 to 7:00 PM. Saturday-Wednesday; banking hours are generally 8AM to noon, though some banks reopen from 4 to 6 PM. Banks and businesses close at 11:30 AM on Thursday and remain close Friday. Business hours are reduced during the Ramadan fast.



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