



# OST 01 OMAN ESSENCE OF ARABIA (06NTS/07 DAYS)

## What To Expect

Travel with Oman Safari Tours 06 Nts/07 Days. In this trip you will cover most of the places such as Muscat city, major touristic destinations, Nizwa fort & Souq, Jabreen castle, Bahla fort, Wahiba Sands (Desert), Ras al Hadd, Ras al Jinz (Turtle watching), Sur Coastal route.

## Tour Highlights

| Days   | Tour highlights-Sightseeing   | Overnights   |
|--------|---|--------------|
| DAY 01 | ARRIVAL MUSCAT International Airport-Transfer to Hotel                              | Muscat       |
| DAY 02 | Half day Muscat city tour   | Muscat       |
| DAY 03 | Muscat-Nizwa fort & Souq-Jabreen castle-Bahla fort & Oasis-Nizwa                    | Nizwa        |
| DAY 04 | Nizwa-Birkat al moze-Old Ibra and Souq-Wahiba Sands                                 | Desert caamp |
| DAY 05 | Wahiba- Wadi Bani Khalid-Sur Dhow factory-Ras al Hadd                               | Ras al Hadd  |
| DAY 06 | Ras al Hadd- Bibi Miram photo stop-Wadi Tiwi-Bimmah sinkhol-Wadi al arbayeen-Muscat | Muscat       |
| DAY 07 | Departure to Muscat international airport   | Muscat       |

## Specifications

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| Type:                                       | Oman Round Trip                           |
| Arrival/Departure:                          | Muscat International airport              |
| Duration:                                   | 06 Nts/07 Days tour                       |
| Every day drive:                            | 500-600 Km                                |
| Availability:                               | As per request                            |
| Product code:                               | OST-01                                    |
| Language                                    | English                                   |
| Special request for language speaking guide | Italain/French/German/spanish/Chinese etc |

# Itinerary schedule

## DAY 01: ARRIVAL MUSCAT

You will arrive at the Muscat International Airport. Upon your arrival you proceed straight to the Immigration. Immigration & customs are quick & simple. Upon arrival at the General arrival lounge you will be met by our friendly & efficient OMAN SAFARI TOURS chauffer who will assist you to the comforts of our vehicle to drive you the hotel.

Overnight at Muscat Hotel.



## DAY 02: HALF DAY MUSCAT CITY TOUR

Morning after breakfast Pick up from hotel: 8:30

Arriva for visit **Sultan Qaboos Grand Mosque** at 9:00

Depart from Grand mosque at 10:30

Arrive **Muttra souq** at 11:00 (spend 01 Hrs for visit souq)

Arrive **Bait al Zubiari Museum** at 12:00

Arrive Al Alam Palace at 13:00 (photo stop **Al Alam Palace, Mirani & Jalali fort**)

Arrive hotel at 1:30 pm

Overnight Muscat Hotel.



## DAY 03: NIZWA – JABREEN- BAHLA

Morning after breakfast Pick up from hotel: 8:30

Arrive Nizwa fort at 10:30 (Visit **Nizwa fort & Souq** spend 02 Hrs).

Depart from Nizwa at 12:30 (Lunch if include in Package)

Arrive Jabreen castle at 14:00 (spend 1 hr)

Depart from **Jabreen castle** at 15:00

Arrive **Bahla fort** at 15:30 (spend ½ hr for photo stop and walking around)

Depart from Bahla at 16:00

Arrive hotel at 17:00

Overnight at Nizwa Hotel.



## DAY 04: NIZWA – WAHIBA

Morning after breakfast Pick up from hotel: 8:30

Arrive **Birkat al Mose** at 9:00 (photo stop old sand houses)

Arrive **Ibra** at 11:00 (Visit Ibra souq)

Depart at 12:00 for **Munsifah**

Arrive **Munsifah** (old Ibra) 12:30

Depart at 13:30 for **Wahiba sands**

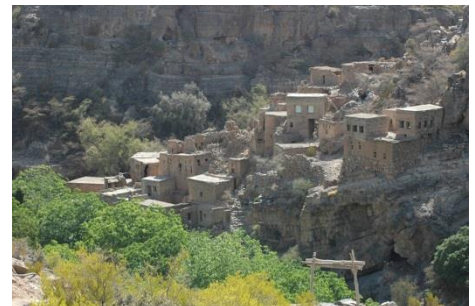
Arrive Wahiba sands 15:00

Dune bashing in desert photo stop high dunes

Check in camp at 16:00

Ready for sunset at 17:00

Return after 01 hr back to camp at 18:00



Enjoy BBQ dinner and overnight at Wahiba Sands.

#### **DAY 05: WAHIBA – SUR**

Morning after breakfast Pick up from hotel: 8:30

Arrive Bedouin House at 9:30

Depart from **Bedouin house** at 10:00

Arrive at **Wadi Bani khalid** at 12:00 (BBQ lunch or Picnic lunch if include, Spend 02 Hrs)

Depart at 14:00 for Sur Dhow factory

Arrive **Sur Dhow factory** at 16:00 (spend ½ hr to see dhow factory)

Depart at 16:30

Arrive **Ras al hadd** at 18:00

Check in hotel at 18:00

Early dinner at 19:00

Proceed to turtle watching at 20:00

Back to the hotel on tentative time, depend at what time finish watching turtles

Overnight in Ras al Hotel or Sur hotel



#### **DAY 06 SUR –QALHAT- BIMAH SINKH HOTEL-MUSCAT.**

Morning after breakfast Pick up from hotel: 8:30

Arrive Bibi Miriam Tomb at 10:00 (photo stop only)

Arrive **Wadi Shab or Wadi Arbayeen** at 12:00 (spend 01 Hr picnic lunch if include)

Depart from Wadi

Arrive **Bimah Sinkhole 14:00**

Arrive Muscat at 17:00

Overnight in Muscat Hotel



#### **DAY 07 DEPARTURE TRANSFER**

Departure transfers to Airport to connect the flight back home.

\*\*\*\*\* End of Tour \*\*\*\*\*

## **Know before tour start**

**Per Person cost is based on group of 04 person minimum**

#### **INCLUSIONS:-**

- Return Airport Transfer from Muscat International Airport to hotel (Both Way)
- 03 Nts Accommodation in **Hotel Muscat Holidays 4\* or Similar, Muscat**
- 01 Nt Accommodation in **Sur Beach Holidays or Similar, Ras Al Hadd**
- 01 Nt Accommodation in **Hotel Al Diyar or Similar, Nizwa**
- 01 Nt Accommodation in **Arabian Oryx camp or Similar, Wahiba sands**
- Daily Breakfast at the hotel
- Dinner on Day 04 & Day 05 at the hotel
- All the sightseeing as per mentioned itinerary
- All Tours & Sightseeing with 4X4 wheel Drive & Mini Coah

- Complimentary water during the Tour
- Turtle watching reservation charges, Museum & fort Tickets
- Applicable Taxes & Service charges
- English Speaking Driver cum Guide

#### **EXCLUSIONS:-**

- Any air fare
- VISA charges.
- All 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.
- If any supplement will be applicable by hotel for special occasion then the same will be informed and applied. Especially for Christmas and New Year period.
- If quoted hotel for the tour will not be confirmed alternative hotel will be used and either supplement or reduction will apply.
- Maximum 04 PAX can be accommodated in a 4 WD
- 4 WD & Minivan will be considered wherever there is more the 04 PAX

#### **CANCELLATION FEES:**

- Less than 30 Days in advance : 50% of the total amount
- Less than 15 Days in advance: 70% of the total amount
- Less than 7 Days in advance : 100% of the total amount

#### **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 were 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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