



OST 22-EXPLORE SALALAH (03Nts/04Days)

What To Expect

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

Salalah is a colorful, subtropical city & beautiful frankincense land, Al Baleed Archaeological Park, a UNESCO heritage site, Al Husn souq & Sultan Palace photo stop.

Guaranteed Tour Dates 2018

Everyday tour from Monday-Sunday

Type:	Round Trip
Arrival/Departure:	Salalah Port/Airport/Hotel
Duration:	03Nts/04Days tour
Every day drive:	400-500/Km
Availability:	As per request
Product code:	OST-22
Language	English
Special request for language speaking guide	Italian/French/German/Spanish/Chinese etc

Tour Itinerary:-

DAY 01: ARRIVAL TRANSFER SALALAH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO HOTEL

You will arrive at the Salalah 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 chauffeur who will assist you to the comforts of our vehicle to drive you the hotel. **Overnight in Salalah Hotel (B).**



DAY 02: FULL DAY EAST & WEST SALALAH

The excursion begins in the morning with a visit 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 Salalah hotel. Overnight stay at the hotel. (B)

DAY 03: SALALAH HALF DAY CITY TOUR

Morning after breakfast. Visit the **Al Baleed museum** of the Frankincense land. Opened in July 2007 at **Al Balid Archaeological Park** it is a large archaeological site that you can stroll through among Salalah Tours when you visit Oman, and the museum hosts an impressive collection about the archaeological and maritime history of Oman. (Open Sat - Wed 8:00 -14:00 & 16:00 - 20:00, Thu - Fri 16:00 - 20:00). In the **Heritage Souk**, you can find different types of Omani crafts and incense burners. You will have an exact view of the Arabian market after visiting the new souk. Drive to the Gold souk offers modern and olden style Dhofari ornaments. **Haffah souk** is very attractive with its small shops lined up with straight piles of incense boxes, clay incense burners *colourfully* decorated with traditional patterns and bags of incense crystals. Also on your way to Haffah Souk you can see some typical Dhofari houses with caravan windows and doors. Walking past the **Sultan Residential palace Al Husn**, reaches to the Old Souk where Frankincense, Dhofari traditional clothes and cosmetics are available. Before returning to the hotel, visit the ancient city of Zufar, the ruins of Al Balid, which was visited by Ibn Batuta and Marco Polo, describing it as a beautiful, large and noble city. **Overnight in Salalah Hotel (B).**



DAY 04: FINAL DEPARTURE TO SALALAH AIRPORT

Departure transfers to Airport to connect the flight back home as per flight timing.

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

Know before tour start

Per Person cost is based on group of 04 person minimum

INCLUSIONS:-

- Return Airport Transfer from Salalah international airport to hotel (Both Way)
- Daily breakfast in the hotel
- All Tours & Sightseeing as per the itinerary mentioned above
- Drinking water bottle during the tour
- Applicable Taxes & Service charges
- 01 English Speaking Guide cum Drive

EXCLUSIONS:-

- Any air fare
- VISA charges.
- All meals other than mentioned & All Entrance ticket (Forts, Museums & Archaeological sites)
- 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.
- Amount charges will be according to the ROE for the date amount is being deposited/Handed over in our account.

CANCELLATION FEES:

- Less than 20 Days in advance : 50% of the total amount
- Less than 15 Days in advance: 70% of the total amount
- Less than 07 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.

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, portorage 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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