



OMAN SELF DRIVE TOURS

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Tour "Beaches, desert and wadis"

Discovery 4x4 self drive tour

9 days / 8 nights

2020 - 2021



Starting with some snorkelling at the Daymaniyat Islands, here is a tour focused on swimming: beaches and natural pools are plenty in this loop around the Eastern Hajar mountains, famous for their wadis. South of the range, stay in the town of Ibra and the Wahiba Sands and north, by the Indian Ocean and the Gulf of Oman.

Oman Self Drive Tours

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Understand your travel proposition

Self drive tour

The travelers themselves will drive along all the road transfers detailed in the program as well as along possible additional transfers to reach an activity place (except for transfers with driver or guide).

Program type: "Freedom discovery"

Each day, a number of possible activities - cultural discoveries and strolls - are proposed. It is up to the travelers, during their trip, to choose which activity they are interested in depending on their wishes and the time available. The times given for each activity and each transfer are intended to give an idea as accurate as possible of what can be done in one day.

Driving level: 4x4

The itinerary includes dirt roads without major difficulty but requiring a 4x4 vehicle. Under normal conditions, anybody can drive on these roads as long as he/she respects the basic safety rules. However, unpredictable events, especially weather-related, can make these dirt roads harder to negotiate.

Possible activity

Activity not requiring prior reservation. The travelers are free to go for them or not. Most of them are free of charge.

Optional / Included activity

Paying activity requiring prior reservation. If it is a guided activity, it may involve transfers. In this case, such transfers will be arranged by the guide or a driver, with their own vehicle.

Variant

Road transfer longer than the reference transfer but of a greater interest in terms of landscape or possible activity.

Accommodation with surcharge

Hotel not included in the standard package, proposed as an upgrade of the accommodation already included that day.

Key

Transfers

-  Road
-  Scenic road
-  Plane
-  Ferry

|30min| Approx. time of transfer

|4x4| Dirt road: 4x4 required

|4x4+| Difficult dirt road: 4x4 and experience required

Landscapes (transfers & activities)

-  Mountain
-  Village/palm grove
-  Wadi
-  Town
-  Sea
-  Desert

Activities

-  Culture
-  Shopping
-  Viewpoint
-  Scenic road
-  Strolling
-  Walking/hiking
-  Canyoning
-  Bathing/swimming
-  Nature
-  Cruise

|1h-2h| Approx. time dedicated to the activity

 **|10min|** Approx. time up to the activity place (one way)

Meals

- RO** Room only
- BB** Breakfast
- HB** Half board
- FB** Full board
- L** Lunch (during an activity)

OVERVIEW OF YOUR TOUR

DAY 1 - Muscat

 Muscat International Airport to the Azaiba district | 10km-10min |

 Sultan Qaboos Grand Mosque (Ghubrah district) | 45min-1h30 |

   Mutrah District | 1h-4h |

   Old Muscat District and the Sultan's Palace | 30min-1h |

 Guesthouse (Azaiba District) | BB |

DAY 2 - Day of snorkelling at the Daymaniyat Islands and night in Ibra

   Snorkelling at the Daymaniyat Islands | 5h30 |  15km-20min

 Muscat to Fanja | 50km-45min |

 Town of Fanja | 20min-1h30 |

 Fanja to Ibra | 110km-1h10 |

 Hotel * (Ibra) | RO |

DAY 3 - From the Wahiba desert to Muscat

 Ibra to the Wadi Tayeen (via the Wadi Dima) | 70km-1h15 |

  Wadi Dima and village of Ad Dyrah | 20min-1h30 | 4x4 |

   Wadi Tayeen : Madbagah palm grove and Al Hammam castle | 40min-2h |

 Mihlah to Ismayiyah, along the Wadis Tayeen and Khabbah | 40km-50min |

  Wadi Tool : walk and swim in the Devil's Gap | 1h30-2h30 |

 Ismayiyah to Romail | 55km-1h | 4x4 |

 Hotel ** (Romail) | RO |

DAY 4 - Wadi bani Khalid and Wahiba desert

  Upper Wadi bani Khalid : Muqal pool | 1h-2h |  30km-40min

  Lower Wadi bani Khalid : village and palm grove of Al Baatan | 1h-3h |  25km-25min

 Romail to Bidiyah | 15km-10min |

 Bidiyah to your desert camp (with a driver) | 30km-45min | 4x4+ |

 Walking in the Wahiba desert | 30min-2h |

 Desert camp ** (Wahiba) | HB |

DAY 5 - From the Wahiba desert to the Indian Ocean

-  Your camp to Bidiyah (with a driver) | 30km-45min | 4x4+ |
-  Bidiyah to Al Kamil | 55km-45min |
-  **Al Kamil : Fortified houses and the Old Castle Museum | 30min-1h30 |**
-  Al Kamil to Ras al Hadd : From desert to Indian Ocean | 135km-2h |
-  **Jaalan bani bu Ali fort and Al Hamooda mosque | 30min |**  5km-10min
-  **Ras al Jinz Turtle Reserve | 1h |**  20km-20min
-  **Hotel *** (Ras al Hadd) Room Hamoor | HB |**

DAY 6 - From Ras al Hadd to Tiwi

-  Ras al Hadd to Sur | 40km-45min |
-    **Town of Sur | 1h-3h |**
-  Sur to Tiwi : Along the Gulf of Oman | 50km-45min |
-    **Wadi Tiwi | 1h-5h | 4x4+ |**
-  **Hotel ** (Tiwi) Room Standard | HB |**

DAY 7 - Between sea and mountains

-   **Wadi Shab | 1h-3h |**
-  Tiwi to Al Hajir | 125km-1h15 |
-   **Fins beach, coastal road and gazelle reserve | 30min-1h |**  10km-15min
-    **Wadi al Arbiyeen | 2h-4h | 4x4 |**
-  Al Hajir to Yiti : The Wadi Mayh | 20km-30min | 4x4 |
-  Yiti to Qantab | 5km-10min |
-  **Hotel *** (Qantab) | BB |**

DAY 8 - Day to relax at your beach resort

-    **South Muscat coastline | 1h-3h |**
-   **Kayaking and snorkelling in the Bandar Khiran marine reserve**
-  **Hotel *** (Qantab) | BB |**

DAY 9 - Day to relax at your hotel and departure

-  Qantab to Muscat International Airport | 45km-50min |

PROGRAMME OF YOUR TOUR

DAY 1 - Muscat

Arrival in Muscat International Airport.

Our agent welcomes you, hands over the travel documents to you and assists you in picking up your rental car.

Full day to visit the Omani capital and its surroundings.

Transfer



Muscat International Airport to the Azaiba district |10km-10min|



Along the sea, short drive from the airport to Azaiba, a residential district in the western side of the capital city.



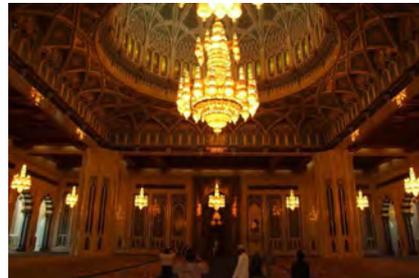
Possible activity



Sultan Qaboos Grand Mosque (Ghubrah district) |45min-1h30|

A magnificent mosque, the largest of the country and the only one allowed to non-muslim visitors. The main praying hall, famous for its huge chandelier, is truly spectacular.

Audioguides are available for an in-depth discovery.



Possible activity



Mutrah District |1h-4h|



This historic district is the most interesting in the capital for tourists, with its beautiful sea-front (the so-called Corniche), its famous souq, its fish and vegetable market and even a short trekking path.



Possible activity

Old Muscat District and the Sultan's Palace |30min-1h|



A few kilometres from Mutrah, with its numerous mosques and government buildings, this small district is the actual capital of Oman, from which extended the whole city. You can enjoy this quiet place by a short stroll around the Sultan Palace. This is also where the National Museum is located.



Accommodation

Guesthouse (Azaiba District) |BB|

Two big villas converted into a guesthouse with 10 comfortable and tastefully-decorated rooms. Located in a posh neighbourhood, it is only a 5-min walk to the Azaiba beach, where you can find a Lebanese restaurant and a small park where young Omanis sell grilled food in the evening. It is only a 10-min drive to the airport, 15 min to the Grand Mosque and about half an hour to the historic districts (Mutrah, Old Muscat).

The guesthouse has a 22-m long swimming pool and 2 living rooms. Breakfast can be eaten al fresco close to the pool.



DAY 2 - Day of snorkelling at the Daymaniyat Islands and night in Ibra

In the morning, you go to the marina. Boat crossing up to the Daymaniyat archipelago. You snorkel and come back in the early afternoon.

Then you leave the capital city. The highway takes you south of the Eastern Hajar mountains. Your hotel awaits you in the first big town, Ibra.

Included activity

 15km-20min

Snorkelling at the Daymaniyat Islands |5h30|

From the marina with the best location in the capital, half-an-hour boat crossing to the pretty Daymaniyat Islands. Protected as a natural reserve, they have the best snorkelling and diving sites of the Muscat region. Swimming and snorkelling with the plentiful multi coloured fishes (fins, masks and snorkels provided). Picnic at the islands and transfer back in the early afternoon.

Beware, the trip can be cancelled in case of rough sea.



Transfer

Muscat to Fanja |50km-45min|

From Muscat, the highway goes south and passes between the first low mountains of the Samail Gap.

Possible activity

Town of Fanja |20min-1h30|

Just south of Muscat, the small town of Fanja extends on both banks of the wadi with the same name, at the foot of the Jebel Nakhl. Its old quarter, with its large palm grove and watch towers, offers a beautiful scenery.



Transfer



Fanja to Ibra |110km-1h10|



A highway opened since 2020 runs through large massifs of low rocky mountains and leads to Ibra, the first town in the south of the Eastern Hajar mountains.

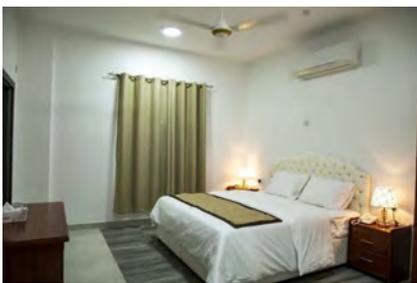
Accommodation



Hotel * (Ibra) |RO|

Small hotel, simple but comfortable, first opened in 2019. Located in the southern suburb of Ibra, it takes 10 min to drive to the souq of the town. Ibra is an ideal base to explore the Dima wa At Tayeen region and the Wahiba Sands lie less than 30 min away from the hotel.

The hotel does not serve food but you will find local restaurants next door.



DAY 3 - From the Wahiba desert to Muscat

From Ibra, you drive to the foot of the Eastern Hajar range, to discover the beautiful and little-known region of Dima wa At Tayeen. There you explore, by car and by foot, several large wadis, some of them with natural pools in which you can swim. Palm groves are plenty and the views on the mountains are superb.

You eventually leave the region to sleep in Romail, between the mountains and the Wahiba desert.

Transfer



Ibra to the Wadi Tayeen (via the Wadi Dima) |70km-1h15|



After a short time on a highway, you drive into the ophiolitic massif north of Ibra. The road climbs to a small pass and go down into the valley of the Wadi Dima, lined by palm groves. It takes you to the big village of Mihlah, located at the confluence with the large Wadi Tayeen.



Possible activity along the transfer



Wadi Dima and village of Ad Dyrah |20min-1h30|4x4|



Stop at the superb viewpoint upon the village of Ad Dyrah and its palm grove. You can also follow a short dirt road up to some beautiful and big pools where swimming is possible. Depending on the last rains, one of them may present an amazing colour.



Possible activity



Wadi Tayeen : Madbagah palm grove and Al Hammam castle |40min-2h|



Short return drive along the most scenic part of the Wadi Tayeen, with its palm groves set at the foot of the high Jebel Abyad and Al Hammam castle, artistically built on top of a rock.

At Madbagah, you can go for a short walk to discover the beautiful hidden palm grove of the village, only accessible by foot.



Transfer



Mihlah to Ismayiyah, along the Wadis Tayeen and Khabbah |40km-50min|



This nice road follows le Wadi Tayeen and then the Wadi Khabbah, both flowing right at the foot of the high Eastern Hajar mountains. Along the way, you drive past several villages, their beautiful palm groves and next to the spectacular canyon of the Wadi Tool.



Possible activity along the transfer



Wadi Tool : walk and swim in the Devil's Gap | 1h30-2h30 |



The wadi with the highest flow in Oman dug an impressive valley that crosses the mountains. The walk along the canyon floor is easy up to the "Devil's Gap", where the water sneaks between huge boulders obstructing the valley. With a little bit of scramble, you reach a small pool... but the adventure is just starting: swim into the gaps between the boulders and you arrive at other pools, much larger and really nicer!



Transfer



Ismayiyah to Romail | 55km-1h | 4x4 |



The road takes you away from the Eastern Hajar range and towards the Wahiba Sands. The hills are progressively replaced by a small plain, located between the mountains and the dunes, where lies the village of Romail.



Accommodation



Hotel ** (Romail) | RO |

Small and comfortable hotel located near the Wahiba Sands and the Eastern Hajar mountains. It is ideally located to visit the Wadi bani Khalid.



DAY 4 - Wadi bani Khalid and Wahiba desert

From your hotel, two different routes can lead you to the beautiful Wadi bani Khalid. Then you reach the dunes of the Wahiba, among which your accommodation awaits you.

Possible activity

🚗 30km-40min

🚶 🏞️ **Upper Wadi bani Khalid : Muqal pool | 1h-2h**



This large pool, between the Muqal palm grove and the gorge of the wadi, has been developed for tourism and is highly appreciated by locals who come there for picnics at weekends. The setting is magnificent and it is possible to walk along the wadi or go up a donkey path for a bird's eye view of the place.



Possible activity

🚗 25km-25min

🚶 🏞️ **Lower Wadi bani Khalid : village and palm grove of Al Baatan | 1h-3h**



The small village of Al Baatan has a very beautiful palm grove along the Wadi bani Khalid. The walk, along a falaj winding between palm and mango trees, is very pleasant and gives access to a small natural pool. It is also possible to proceed on a rocky path up to a larger pool.



Transfer

🚶 **Romail to Bidiyah | 15km-10min**



Short transfer along the narrow plain between the dunes and the mountains.

Transfer



Bidiyah to your desert camp (with a driver) | 30km-45min | 4x4+ |



Leave your car at Bidiyah where a driver from the camp will meet you.

The 20 km drive in the dunes is a first contact with the Wahiba desert. You proceed along a "valley", between long orange dunes about 50 meters in height.



Possible activity



Walking in the Wahiba desert | 30min-2h |



What a delight to walk out of the camp and climb up the nearby dunes to watch the sun sink behind the horizon! But the grazing light in the early morning over the orange sand undulations is most appealing too...



Accommodation

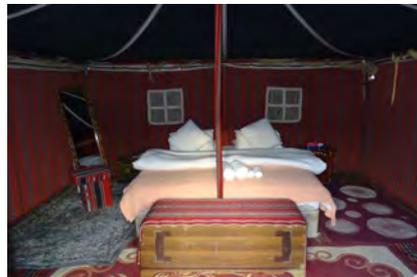


Desert camp ** (Wahiba) | HB |

What a luxury to have the desert to yourself! Private camp with 2 tents, among the dunes, a few kilometres away from the main camp and about 20 km inside the desert.

The large bedouin-style tents have comfortable beds and are nicely decorated. The camp has simple shared toilet and bathroom.

One person from the main camp stays on site and organises the meals.



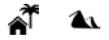
DAY 5 - From the Wahiba desert to the Indian Ocean

When leaving a sand desert, what could be more enjoyable than bathing in a wadi or strolling in the shadow of a lush palm grove? On your way to the ocean, two different routes can lead you to the Wadi bani Khalid. Then you drive through the towns of the north-east of the Wahiba and their ancient fortifications. The road continues crossing a mineral landscape up to the coast and follows it to finally arrive at the village of Ras al Hadd, where lies your accommodation.

Transfer



Your camp to Badiyah (with a driver) | 30km-45min | 4x4+ |



A driver takes you back to your car.



Transfer



Badiyah to Al Kamil | 55km-45min |



The road follows a narrow plain between the Eastern Hajar mountains and the Wahiba dunes.

Possible activity



Al Kamil : Fortified houses and the Old Castle Museum | 30min-1h30 |



The old town of Al Kamil offers a few beautiful examples of fortified houses, typical in this area. One of them has been converted into a little museum, its first attractions maybe being to be able to enter one of these old houses and to meet its owner if he is present.



Transfer



Al Kamil to Ras al Hadd : From desert to Indian Ocean |135km-2h|



A road traversing very varied landscapes! Starting between the desert and the mountain, it comes to an end along the beaches and cliffs of the Indian Ocean after passing through typical towns of the region and a few dunes.



Possible activity along the transfer

5km-10min



Jaalan bani bu Ali fort and Al Hamooda mosque |30min|



One of the largest non-restored forts in Oman, Jaalan bani bu Ali fort is really impressive. Part of the structure collapsed but there still are important remains, including the central keep. Very close to the fort lies a surprising old mosque with 52 small domes.



Optional activity

20km-20min



Ras al Jinz Turtle Reserve |1h|



Guided visit organized by the reserve, which protects 40 km of coastline and the turtles that come there to lay eggs. On the beach, watch the females that crawl out of the water, at night, to dig out their nests and lay some one hundred eggs before heading back to the high sea.



Accommodation



Hotel *** (Ras al Hadd) Room Hamoor | HB |

Hotel opened in the end of 2017. For the sea view and the beach, it is the best located hotel in the Ras al Hadd/Ras al Jinz region. Built on a small rocky tip between the Gulf of Oman and the Ras al Hadd laguna, it is surrounded on 3 sides by the sea. There is a direct access to the long Ras al Hadd beach that ends at the foot of the hotel. Even if it is used by the village fishermen, it is possible to swim next to the hotel.

The village of Ras al Hadd is a few minutes away by car and the centre from which is organised the turtle watching is 20 minutes away.

The Hamoor rooms are comfortable and decorated in an Omani style. Each has a terrace with table and chairs.



DAY 6 - From Ras al Hadd to Tiwi

Day dedicated to the discovery of the north-eastern coast.

First, a visit of the beautiful town of Sur is a must. Then, in close proximity to your hotel, two wadis close to each other expect your arrival: Tiwi and Shab. The latter, the most famous, is ideal for bathing, but it may be a bit crowded by mid-morning, especially at weekends. The former, wilder and less accessible, is certainly more spectacular.

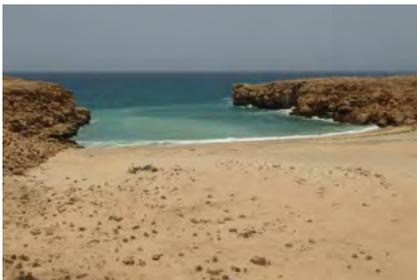
Transfer



Ras al Hadd to Sur | 40km-45min |



From the Indian Ocean to the Oman Gulf, the road runs along the Khawr Grama laguna and across a plateau before reaching the beach of Sur.



Possible activity

Town of Sur |1h-3h|



A lovely seaside city, Sur is one of the few Omani towns that is worth a visit. Its strategic position – a peninsula between the sea and a lagoon – and its old white houses with beautiful doors add up to bring about a real touch of charm. The last traditional dhow building yard is located here – a must visit! As a fishing town, its fish souq is worth a look. Finally, a watchtower perched on a hill provides a superb view of the area.



Transfer

Sur to Tiwi : Along the Gulf of Oman |50km-45min|



The highway runs along the coastline, squeezed between the Gulf of Oman and the Eastern Hajar, providing very nice views of the sea and the mountains.



Possible activity

Wadi Tiwi |1h-5h|4x4+|



Discover this fantastic wadi first by car. The road, sometimes at the bottom of the valley, sometimes on the heights, offers spectacular views over the palm-fringed wadi bed and its natural pools nestled among huge boulders fallen down from the high cliffs on each side.

Walking on a marked trail is also possible to discover the wadi at a slower pace.



Accommodation



Hotel ** (Tiwi) Room Standard | HB |

Comfortable hotel on a hill overlooking the Gulf of Oman and the village of Tiwi nearby. It is ideally situated to visit the Wadis Shab and Tiwi, only a few minutes away by car. A staircase leads down to the white pebble beach where swimming is possible. And if you have your snorkelling equipment, the rocks at the end of the beach host many fishes. The hotel has a small swimming pool and a restaurant, both with views on the sea.



DAY 7 - Between sea and mountains

Day dedicated to the discovery of the wadis of the Eastern Hajar and the coast between Tiwi and Muscat. In addition to the Wadis Tiwi and Shab, you can make detours, on the way towards Muscat, on nice dirt roads to discover the Wadis al Arbiyeen and Dayqah. The former is a spectacular valley with a few pools to refresh and swim (one is just a few steps away). The latter boasts the largest dam lake of Oman, an unreal vision in this mineral landscape. The coast is attractive too, with the beautiful beach of Fins and one of the very few places where watching wild gazelles is possible. Finally, you cross the Jebel abu Daud to reach the coast and your accommodation.

Possible activity



Wadi Shab | 1h-3h |



The most famous wadi in Oman ! Leave your car right under the highway and start walking upstream on the mostly dry river bed. Marvel at this deep canyon and reach the first pools. Continue further along the base of the cliff and between the small boulders until you cannot avoid swimming... up to an incredible small pool with a waterfall hidden under some huge rocks !



Transfer



Tiwi to Al Hajir |125km-1h15|



The highway, first running between the sea and the mountains, goes past the entrance of the Wadi al Arbiyeen, then veers inland to find a way around the Jebel abu Daud massif.



Possible activity along the transfer

10km-15min



Fins beach, coastal road and gazelle reserve |30min-1h|



Close to the fishermen's village of Fins is a superb white pebble beach with turquoise waters. The road that goes along the coast between Fins and the Wadi al Arbiyeen is worth the detour for its nice views upon the sea. It also passes through a protected area hosting some gazelles.



Possible activity along the transfer



Wadi al Arbiyeen |2h-4h|4x4|



From the sea side, drive inside the mountains on a dirt road along the bed of this spectacular wadi, dotted with some villages and palm groves. A very large water pool awaits you to swim. A nice walk along the wadi is also possible. The way back to the coast is by another road.



Transfer



Al Hajir to Yiti : The Wadi Mayh | 20km-30min | 4x4 |



Cross the Jebel Abu Daud mountains via the spectacular Wadi Mayh. First a narrow canyon, the valley widens and you discover small villages and their palm gardens. You cannot believe you are so close to Muscat !



Transfer



Yiti to Qantab | 5km-10min |



From the Wadi Mayh, the road keeps crossing the coastal massif up to the cove where your hotel lies.

Accommodation



Hotel *** (Qantab) | BB |

Hotel and diving club located on its private beach, in a beautiful rocky cove, only 20 minutes away from the capital.

It has a swimming pool (sometimes used by the divers), an international-cuisine restaurant with a terrace looking at the sea, a bar and a shisha bar, both on the beach.

It organises sea excursions for diving or snorkelling.

The rooms have a traditional architecture. Called "barastis", they are bungalows made of palm leaves. They are equipped with all the modern comfort and have a small terrace and an attached bathroom with stone walls and palm roof.



DAY 8 - Day to relax at your beach resort

Full day to enjoy your hotel, its swimming pool, its beach and the activities it offers.

Possible activity

South Muscat coastline |1h-3h|



Discover by car and by foot this surprising coast, meeting of the mountains and the sea, with its small coves and islands, occasionally fringed with mangrove or beaches (some from where swimming and snorkelling is possible). Bandar Khiran, the jewel of this coast, offers some very beautiful viewpoints.



Optional activity

Kayaking and snorkelling in the Bandar Khiran marine reserve



The Bandar Khiran reserve may be the most beautiful part of the coast south of Muscat. It is the meeting point of the mountains and the ocean, that formed many islands and coves with small mangroves and beaches. Guided or unguided kayaking tour (with single or double kayaks) to discover this bay protected from the swell of the open sea. You can stop on beaches, swim and watch the plentiful multi coloured fishes (masks and snorkels provided).



Accommodation

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DAY 9 - Day to relax at your hotel and departure

Day to enjoy your hotel and the beach.
Then transfer to the airport and departure.

Transfer



Qantab to Muscat International Airport |45km-50min|



Drive back to Muscat and the airport using a nice coastal road then crossing the whole capital city from east to west.

Rental car drop-off.



PRICES / TERMS AND CONDITIONS

01/10/2020 - 30/04/2021

Number of people	2	4
Price per person in double room (in OMR)	from 605	from 460
1 Toyota Fortuner or similar (9 days)	1	1

Options and extras (prices per person)

Ras al Jinz Turtle Reserve on day 5	7 OMR
Kayaking and snorkelling in the Bandar Khiran marine reserve on day 8	8 OMR/h

Prices valid at the dates and for the types of room mentioned above.

These prices are given in Omani rials (OMR).

For conversion into another currency, you can use www.xe.com. Note that these conversions do not include bank fees and transfer charges.

Note that this document is an quote and that no reservation has been made to this day.

Prices are therefore subject to changes in accordance with the availability of accommodations, vehicles and guides at the time of the reservation. Insofar as possible, we offer alternatives of equivalent quality and cost in the event of unavailability.

Proposed vehicle (non contractual photo)



Toyota Fortuner

SUV 2x4/4x4 2.7L automatic



The price of the tour includes:

- Meet and greet service and rental car pick up assistance
 - Your travel documents
 - The whole self drive tour recorded in a GPS application
 - An Oman road map (and a Muscat road map if required by the programme)
 - A mobile phone with credit for 1 hour of local calls
 - Phone assistance by our local agency throughout your trip
 - Accommodations as mentioned in the programme
 - Meals at the accommodations as mentioned in the programme along with each accommodation (cf. key)
 - Lunches on guided days
 - Bottled water in hotels
 - Included activities as mentioned in the programme
 - For each included guided activity:
 - The guide
 - The car(s) and driver(s) if required for this activity
 - Safety and camping equipment (tents, mattresses, kitchenware) if required for this activity
 - Included transfers with driver or guide as mentioned in the program
 - The rental of the above-mentioned vehicle(s), for the above-mentioned period of time, with:
 - 2 possible drivers
 - Unlimited kilometres
 - Comprehensive insurance: zero excess in case of damage (provided you get a police report)
- Caution: Damages occurred when driving off roads or off trails clearly marked on the terrain are not covered by the insurance (particularly when driving on sand).*

- Carbon offsetting for the mileage driven during your tour

On completion of your trip, we grant our specialist partner a certain amount in order to offset the CO2 emitted during

the transfers.

The price of the tour does not include:

- VAT: nonexistent to date, it may be implemented in 2020 at the rate of 5%

- International flights

- Tourist visa fees: as at 01/01/2019, 5 OMR for 10 days or 20 OMR for 30 days (per person)

Check for visa issuing formalities on <https://evisa.rop.gov.om/en/visa-eligibility>. Passports must be valid at least 6 months after the return date.

- Meals not included in the program (from 1.5 OMR per person in small restaurants or 5 OMR at hotels)

- Beverages

- Entrance fees, if any, of the “possible activities” mentioned in the program (forts: 0.5 OMR pp; museums: 2 to 5 OMR pp)

- Tips to guides and drivers, if any

- Sleeping bags and personal camping equipment (headlight) if required

- Personal expenses

- Fuel for your self driven car(s) (approx. 30 to 50 OMR per car and per week of tour)

- The rental car refundable deposit: the amount of 125 OMR per vehicle is blocked on your credit card but not debited

- Fines for driving offenses (speed cameras notably)

- Tyre repair or replacement fees in case of puncture

- The cost of repairing damages suffered by the rental cars if not justified by a police report

- Your personal repatriation insurance

- Your medical insurance