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PRIVATE TOUR · MULTI-DAY

Jordan North to South in 10 Days – with Dana & Feynan

The Jordan most visitors miss – and all the icons too

DURATION	STARTS	GROUP	BEST SEASON
10 days / 9 nights	Queen Alia Airport	Private	Spring and autumn

Highlights

- Desert Castles and Azraq
- UNESCO As-Salt
- Jerash and Umm Qais
- Dana to Feynan hike and ecolodge night (optional add-on)
- Petra back-trail hike
- Wadi Rum, Aqaba and the Dead Sea






Day by day

DAY 1 — Arrival

Airport meet and assist, transfer to Amman.

- Queen Alia Airport → Amman — about 40 min

Driving about 40 min

DAY 2 — Desert Castles & Azraq

Qasr Kharana, Qusayr Amra, Qasr al-Azraq and the wetland. Overnight Amman.

- Amman → Qasr Kharana — about 50 min
- **Qasr Kharana** — 30–45 min
- Qasr Kharana → Qusayr Amra — about 20 min
- **Qusayr Amra** — 30–45 min
- Qusayr Amra → Azraq — about 25 min
- **Qasr al-Azraq** — about 45 min
- Azraq → the wetland reserve — about 10 min
- **Azraq Wetland Reserve** — 1–1.5 h
- The wetland reserve → Amman — about 1 h 15 min

Driving about 3 h · Visits about 3–4 h

DAY 3

Jerash & Umm Qais

Jerash (guided when you add a guide), lunch in the north if you add it, Umm Qais at golden hour. Overnight Amman.

Amman → Jerash	about 50 min	Jerash → Umm Qais	about 1 h 10 min
Jerash Roman city	about 2 h 30 min	**Umm Qais (ancient Gadara)**	about 1 h 30 min
Lunch break	about 1 h	Umm Qais → Amman	about 1 h 50 min

Driving about 3 h 50 min · Visits about 4 h

DAY 4

As-Salt – Madaba – Nebo – Dana

Ottoman As-Salt, Madaba Map and Mount Nebo, then the King's Highway to Dana. Overnight Dana guesthouse.

Amman → As-Salt	about 40 min	Madaba → Mount Nebo	about 15 min
As-Salt's Ottoman old town	about 1 h 30 min	**Mount Nebo**	about 45 min
As-Salt → Madaba	about 50 min	Mount Nebo → Dana	about 2 h 45 min
Madaba: St George's Church and the mosaic map	about 1 h		

Driving about 4 h 30 min · Visits about 3 h 30 min

DAY 5

Dana to Feynan hike

14 km downhill through Wadi Dana (with a guide if you add one). Candle-lit dinner and stargazing. Overnight Feynan Ecolodge.

Hike down Wadi Dana to Feynan (14 km)	5–6 h

Visits about 5–6 h

DAY 6

Feynan – Petra

Morning with the Bedouin (bread baking, coffee), transfer to Petra. Afternoon at the Treasury. Overnight Petra.

A morning with the Bedouin: bread baking and coffee	about 2 h	Wadi Musa (Petra) → Petra	about 10 min
Feynan → Wadi Musa (Petra)	about 2 h	**Petra: the Siq, the Treasury and the Street of Facades**	3–4 h

Driving about 2 h 10 min · Visits about 5–6 h

DAY 7

Petra back trail

Little Petra and the back trail to the Monastery, down through the city. Overnight Petra.

Wadi Musa (Petra) → Little Petra	about 15 min	**Back trail hike to the Monastery**	about 2 h 30 min
Little Petra (Siq al-Barid)	about 45 min	**Down through Petra: the Royal Tombs, the Treasury and the Siq**	about 2 h 30 min

Driving about 15 min · Visits about 6 h

DAY 8

Wadi Rum

A jeep tour of 2, 3 or 4 hours if you add it, sunset and camp night.

Wadi Musa (Petra) → Wadi Rum	about 1 h 40 min	**Sunset, then dinner at camp**	about 1 h
Optional jeep tour of 2, 3 or 4 hours (when you add it)	2–4 h		

Driving about 1 h 40 min · Visits about 3–5 h

DAY 9

Aqaba

A snorkelling boat trip if you add it, and a seafood dinner in town (not included). Overnight Aqaba.

- Wadi Rum camp → Aqaba — about 1 h
- **Snorkelling boat trip: two reefs and lunch on board** — 4–5 h

Driving about 1 h · Visits about 4–5 h

DAY 10

Dead Sea – departure

Float in the Dead Sea, visit the Baptism Site if time allows, transfer to the airport.

- Aqaba → the Dead Sea — about 4 h
- **Dead Sea resort beach: float and mud** — about 2 h
- The Dead Sea → the Baptism Site — about 15 min
- **The Baptism Site (Bethany beyond the Jordan)** — about 2 h
- The Baptism Site → Queen Alia Airport — about 1 h

Driving about 5 h 15 min · Visits about 4 h

Times are approximate – on a private tour you can change the pace and the order.

Good to know before you go

Jordan Pass
Buy it online before you travel: it covers Petra, Wadi Rum, Jerash and more than 40 other sites, and, for eligible visitors, waives the tourist visa fee if you stay at least 2 consecutive nights (3 days).

What to bring
Passport valid for at least 6 months, The Jordan Pass (printed or on your phone), Walking shoes, hat and sunscreen, Warm layers for Wadi Rum nights, Swimwear for the Dead Sea.

Best season
Spring (March–May) and autumn (September–November) are the most comfortable. Summers are hot in Petra, Wadi Rum and the Dead Sea.

What to wear
Light, modest clothes; shoulders and knees covered at religious sites. Good walking shoes, and a warm layer for desert evenings.

Money
The Jordanian dinar (JOD). Cards are widely accepted in hotels and restaurants; keep some cash for small shops and tips.

Water
Drink bottled water, and carry 1.5–2 litres on long walking days.

Power & time
230 V, European (C/F) and British (G) sockets. Jordan is on UTC+3 all year.

Local customs
Friday is the weekly holiday. Ask before photographing people; drones need prior permission.

Emergencies
Dial 911 for police, ambulance or fire. Our team is on WhatsApp throughout your trip.

Your guide to the places you will visit



The desert castles
Umayyad desert palaces, most of them from the early 8th century. Qusayr Amra, a UNESCO site, keeps rare frescoes and a painted dome of the zodiac; Qasr Kharana looks like a fortress.

- The desert is hot and open – a hat and water are essential.
- Distances are long; the day is mostly on the road.



Azraq
A desert oasis. The black basalt fort of Qasr al-Azraq sheltered Lawrence of Arabia in the winter of 1917, and the wetland reserve has a boardwalk and bird hide.

- Spring and autumn bring migrating birds to the wetland.
- The stone door of the fort is a single slab of basalt – look for it.



Jerash
One of the best-preserved Roman cities outside Italy: Hadrian's Arch, the Oval Plaza, the colonnaded street and two theatres.

- There is little shade – visit in the morning or late afternoon and wear a hat.
- The site is large and the stones uneven: comfortable shoes help.



Umm Qais
Ancient Gadara, a city of the Decapolis built in black basalt and white limestone, looking over the Sea of Galilee, the Golan Heights and the Yarmouk valley.

- The view is at its best in the late afternoon light.
- The West Theatre and the colonnaded street are the highlights.



As-Salt

A UNESCO World Heritage town of golden limestone houses from the late Ottoman era, with the Abu Jaber House museum and the lively Hammam Street.

- The old town is built on slopes – expect many stairs.
- Try the local sweets and the fresh produce in the market.



Madaba

The city of mosaics. St George's Church keeps the 6th-century mosaic map of the Holy Land, and the archaeological park has more mosaic floors.

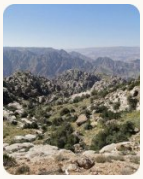
- Shoulders and knees covered inside churches.
- Mosaic workshops in town show how the craft is still made by hand.



Mount Nebo

Where Moses is said to have seen the Promised Land. The Memorial Church of Moses keeps fine mosaics, and the terrace looks over the Jordan Valley and the Dead Sea.

- Clear mornings give the widest view.
- It can be windy on the summit, even in spring.



Dana

Jordan's largest nature reserve, falling from the mountains to the desert of Wadi Araba, with the restored stone houses of Dana village at the top.

- Wear hiking shoes and carry at least 2 litres of water.
- Some trails need a reserve guide – we arrange it.



Feynan

A candle-lit ecolodge at the foot of the Dana reserve, run with the local Bedouin community, far from any town – one of the best places in Jordan for stargazing.

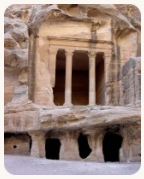
- Evenings are lit by candles; a small torch is useful.
- Phone signal is limited – enjoy the quiet.



Petra

The rose-red city of the Nabataeans, a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the New Seven Wonders. The Siq, a gorge about 1.2 km long, opens onto the Treasury.

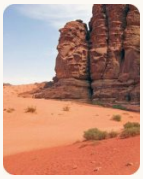
- Start as early as you can to beat the heat and the crowds.
- Carry plenty of water; the Monastery is about 800 steps up.



Little Petra

Siq al-Barid, a smaller Nabataean site just north of Petra, once a stop for trading caravans. Look up for the rare painted ceiling.

- Quiet and compact – about an hour is enough.
- A good warm-up the morning after Petra.



Wadi Rum

The Valley of the Moon: a protected desert of red sand and sandstone mountains, a UNESCO site and a favourite film location.

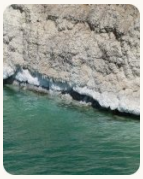
- Desert nights are cold even in spring and autumn – bring a warm layer.
- Sunglasses and a scarf help; phone signal is weak in the deep desert.



The Red Sea reefs

Coral reefs start a few metres from the shore in the Aqaba Marine Park, with colourful fish, soft corals and shipwrecks.

- Use reef-safe sunscreen and never touch or stand on the coral.
- The water is clear and calm most of the year.



The Dead Sea

The lowest point on land, about 430 m below sea level. The water is so salty that you float without trying.

- Don't shave the day before, and keep the water away from your eyes.
- Float on your back – never swim face-down. Rinse with fresh water afterwards.



The Baptism Site

Bethany beyond the Jordan (Al-Maghtas), a UNESCO World Heritage site where John baptised Jesus: the remains of churches, the spring of John and the Jordan River.

- Visits follow a set route with the site guide and its shuttle.
- There is little shade – bring a hat and water, and dress modestly.

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