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# Jordan: Hiking, Iconic Cities and Local Traditions

DURATION | 12 Days

TRIP LEVEL | High Energy

# Trip Overview

Explore Jordan's rich heritage, breathtaking landscapes, and vibrant culture. From Amman's bustling markets to Petra's ancient wonders, including the 'Monastery', every day offers unique adventures. Hike through the Dana Biosphere Reserve, marvel at the mosaics of Madaba, and savor authentic Bedouin traditions in Wadi Rum. Highlights include a hands-on cooking class, an ascent of Um Ad Dami, and floating in the Dead Sea. Connect with fellow travelers over cultural experiences, scenic hikes, and unforgettable sunsets on this culturally immersive Jordanian journey.

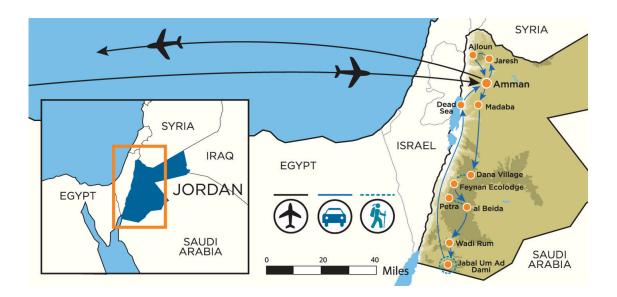
# Trip Highlights

• Discover the breathtaking beauty of Petra, from the iconic Treasury to hidden trails leading to stunning views and ancient Nabataean ruins.

• Experience Bedouin hospitality, a sunset jeep tour, and a trek up Um Ad Dami, Jordan's highest peak, surrounded by striking desert landscapes.

• Float in the mineral-rich waters of the Dead Sea, bask in the sun, and rejuvenate with a cleansing mud bath.

# Map View





#### Day 1

### Welcome to Jordan

Upon arriving at Queen Alia International Airport (AMM) in Amman, you'll be greeted by a trip coordinator to assist with immigration. You'll then be transferred to your hotel, a 30-60 minute drive depending on traffic. After check-in, relax before starting your Jordanian adventure. Group transfers align with most guests' arrivals; private transfers are available for a fee. Enjoy dinner independently and prepare for the journey ahead. Exact transfer details will be shared closer to departure.



### The House Boutique Suites

Welcome to a place where tradition meets luxury and warm hospitality, creating the perfect retreat. Nestled in the heart of Amman, The House offers easy access to the city's vibrant energy, with shopping streets and government centers just a short stroll away. As a premier boutique hotel, The House features an array of spacious, comfortable suites tailored to your needs, complemented by cuttingedge facilities to ensure an exceptional stay.

AMENITIES: complimentary toiletries, bottled water, coffee/tea maker, minibar, safe, flatscreen TV, air conditioning, free Wi-Fi





#### Day 2

## Discover Jordan: Culture, Craft, and Connection

Begin your Jordanian adventure with a guided tour of Amman's historic old city, exploring the Citadel, Roman Theatre, and vibrant markets. Next, immerse yourself in Bedouin culture with a hands-on weaving session, creating your own woven piece. Later that day, unleash your creativity during a Wine & Design experience, painting under the guidance of a local artist while savoring Jordanian wine. Conclude the day with a lively welcome dinner.

Meals: breakfast, dinner | Overnight: The House Boutique Suites





#### Day 3

## Jerash, Ajloun and Hike in the Bergesh Forest

Start your day with a visit to Jerash, one of the best-preserved Roman cities in the Middle East. From there, head to Ajloun for a scenic hike through the lush Bergesh and Wadi Zubia Forests, a rare landscape in Jordan. Conclude your trek in the village of Rasoun, where a local family will host you for a freshly prepared traditional Jordanian lunch. Return to Amman for an overnight stay, with the afternoon at leisure to explore on your own. Your hike will be approximately 5 miles with 3.5k ft gain and 3.2k ft loss, with total driving time 3.5 hours

Meals: breakfast, lunch | Overnight: The House Boutique Suites





#### Day 4

## Madaba City Tour, Cooking Class and Olive Oil Tasting

Begin your day in Madaba, exploring its remarkable Byzantine mosaics, including the famed 'Madaba Map,' the oldest mosaic map of the Holy Land. Next, join a cooking class in a historic 110-year-old home-turned-restaurant, where a local chef will guide you in creating traditional Arabic dishes. In the evening, visit a farm-to-table restaurant for an olive oil tasting featuring Maida Extra Virgin Olive Oil, followed by a delicious meal, celebrating the flavors of Jordan's culinary heritage.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Aitch Boutique Hotel Madaba



### Aitch Boutique Hotel Madaba

Located in Madaba, just 0.5 mile from the Greek Orthodox Basilica of Saint George, Aitch Boutique Hotel - an LIH Hotel provides accommodations featuring a seasonal outdoor swimming pool, a garden, and a terrace.

AMENITIES: complimentary toiletries, hair dryer, safe, flatscreen TV, air conditioning, free Wi-Fi





#### Day 5

## A Trek Through Jordan's Untamed Beauty

Start your day in Dana with a breathtaking hike through the Dana Biosphere Reserve, descending into a valley rich with wildlife and stunning landscapes. Covering ~8.5 miles in 5–6 hours, the trail features a steep descent before easing into gentler slopes. Watch for Griffon vultures, colorful lizards, and traces of desert foxes or ibex. End at Feynan EcoLodge, where a guided sunset walk offers sweeping views of Wadi Araba, complemented by Bedouin tea.

Meals: breakfast, boxed lunch, dinner | Overnight: Feynan Ecolodge



### Feynan Ecolodge

Step into a captivating realm of authentic Bedouin hospitality and unspoiled natural beauty. Nestled deep within the rugged mountains of the Dana Biosphere Reserve, at the end of a winding path, lies an idyllic, candle-lit lodge in the breathtaking Wadi Feynan. Recognized as one of the world's top 25 ecolodges by National Geographic Traveler Magazine, the award-winning, solar-powered Feynan Ecolodge offers Jordan's most immersive eco-experience.

AMENITIES: complimentary toiletries, free Wi-Fi





#### Day 6

## Little Petra Hike and Arabic Coffee Traditions

Start your day with a lesson on preparing traditional Arabic coffee. Later, drive two hours to Al Beida and embark on a 5-mile hike through the captivating Little Petra site, discovering ancient ruins and a Neolithic village. The hike, lasting 3–4 hours, features an elevation gain of 1,150 feet and a loss of 1,115 feet. End your day at a serene campsite in M'aysrah, with a boxed lunch and dinner provided.

Meals: breakfast, boxed lunch, dinner | Overnight: Little Petra Bedouin Camp



### Little Petra Bedouin Camp

Little Petra Bedouin Camp is a place where the timeless traditions of the Bedouin people, the stunning beauty of the surrounding landscape, and a truly magical ambiance come together to create an unforgettable experience. Set against the backdrop of the majestic Petra mountains, this camp offers an authentic taste of Bedouin culture, allowing guests to immerse themselves in the rich heritage and hospitality that has been passed down through generations.

AMENITIES: complimentary toiletries, hair dryer, bottled water, free Wi-Fi





#### Day 7

## Petra Hike: A Hidden Entrance to the Ancient City

Begin your hike to Petra via the peaceful 'Back Door,' avoiding the crowds. Descend through the serene Wadi Ghurab, winding among sandstone mountains, and follow an ancient Nabataean route to a natural rock terrace offering views of Wadi Siyyagh. Your first glimpse of Petra's Monastery awaits, where you can pause for Bedouin tea. Continue through Petra along the Main Trail (8-10 mi.) or Madras Trail (11-13 mi), both leading to Wadi Musa. The 5–6 hour hike covers an elevation gain of 1,620 feet and loss of 1,700 feet. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant, with dinner on your own.

Meals: breakfast, lunch | Overnight: Petra Guest House Hotel



### Petra Guest House Hotel

The Petra Guest House Hotel is just a few steps from the entrance for you to unwind and soak in the rich history and warm hospitality of our hotel. From the moment you arrive, you'll be immersed in Petra's ancient landscape and can enjoy breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains from Petra Guest House's elegantly appointed guestrooms.

AMENITIES: complimentary toiletries, hair dryer, bottled water, coffee/tea maker, minibar, safe, cable/satellite TV, flatscreen TV, air conditioning, free Wi-Fi





#### Day 8

## Explore Petra: The Red Rose City

After breakfast, embark on a journey through Petra, the 'Lost City' and one of the Modern Seven Wonders of the World. Wander through ancient caves and tombs, entering the Siq to marvel at the stunning Treasury. Explore Facades Street, lined with rock-carved ruins, then ascend the steep Nabataean steps to the summit of Al Khubtha for panoramic views of the Treasury. After your exploration, return to your hotel in Petra. Lunch and dinner are on your own today.

Meals: breakfast | Overnight: Petra Guest House Hotel





#### Day 9

### Wadi Rum and Sunset Jeep Tour

After breakfast, drive to Wadi Rum to visit the Disi Women Cooperative, where you'll connect with Bedouin women as they revive local history and traditions through pottery making and storytelling. Enjoy a group lunch at the cooperative before embarking on a two-hour sunset jeep tour. Explore Wadi Rum's stunning valleys, canyons, and dunes, discovering ancient rock inscriptions and breathtaking mountain views. Hike and explore at your leisure before returning to a Bedouin camp for an unforgettable night under the stars.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Rum Magic Nights



### **Rum Magic Nights**

Rum Magic Nights Hotel stands as a desert oasis where comfort and culture come together in a captivating blend. Nestled in a breathtaking location, this hotel offers an atmospheric retreat with deluxe tents featuring air conditioning and private bathrooms, providing a cozy haven in the heart of the desert. The service is attentive and professional , enriching the vibrant cultural experiences and the serene desert ambiance. Rum Magic Nights Hotel is the perfect destination for those seeking an unforgettable desert escape.

AMENITIES: complimentary toiletries, hair dryer, bottled water, air conditioning, free Wi-Fi





#### Day 10

## Um Ad Dami Summit: Jordan's Highest Peak

After breakfast, drive one hour to the base of Um Ad Dami, Jordan's highest peak at over 5,900 feet. Hike to the summit for breathtaking views of the surrounding desert, with the Saudi Arabian border to the south and Jebel Rum to the north. The climb, covering approximately 2.5 miles, will take 3–4 hours, with an elevation gain of 1,300 feet. Enjoy a delicious desert lunch before transferring to your Wadi Rum camp to relax and enjoy a group dinner

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Rum Magic Nights





#### Day 11

### Farewell Dinner and Dead Sea!

After enjoying breakfast in Wadi Rum, drive to the lowest point on Earth to experience the unique sensation of floating in the Dead Sea. Relax under the warm sun while taking in the stunning views, and indulge in a refreshing mud bath that helps cleanse and rejuvenate your skin. Enjoy lunch on your own. Gather with your new AdventureWomen friends during a memorable farewell dinner. Reflect on the cherished memories you've created and celebrate the conclusion of an amazing journey through this truly remarkable country.

Meals: breakfast, dinner | Overnight: Kempinski Ishtar Resort Hotel & Spa



### Kempinski Ishtar Resort Hotel & Spa

This luxury resort on the shores of the Dead Sea is a modern oasis, inspired by the legendary Hanging Gardens of Babylon. With 345 elegantly designed rooms and suites, 9 stunning swimming pools, a variety of exceptional dining options, and one of the largest spas in the Middle East, every moment of your stay promises to be extraordinary.

AMENITIES: complimentary toiletries, bathrobes, hair dryer, bottled water, coffee/tea maker, minibar, refrigerator, safe, cable/satellite TV, flatscreen TV, air conditioning, free Wi-Fi





### Day 12

## Depart Jordan

Following breakfast, you will be transferred to Amman (AMM) to catch your flight home. Ensure that you schedule a flight with a departure time after 12 PM to allow ample time for travel and airport procedures.



# What's Included

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- · Accommodations as per itinerary based on double occupancy
- · All meals as listed in the itinerary
- Collective visa to Jordan for groups staying 2 nights and more (full passport details must be received 14 days prior to arrival subject to change anytime without notice)
- One group transfer on arrival and departure
- All ground transportation
- English-speaking guide(s) throughout the trip
- · Soft drinks, tea, and coffee at included group meals
- Drinking water to refill personal bottles

#### Not Included

- International airfare
- · Meals not specified in the itinerary
- Hiking poles

• Fees for passport, immunizations, or travel insurance. Fee for visa if passport information is not received on time or law has changed.

- Exit tax from Jordan (typically included in your international flight ticket please check with your airline)
- Cost of hospitalization or evacuation
- Items of a personal nature
- Optional activities
- Gratuities

Please note: AdventureWomen will attempt to adhere to the itinerary as much as possible. However, certain conditions (political, climatic, environmental, and cultural) may necessitate changes in the itinerary. AdventureWomen reserves the right to alter any itinerary at any time if necessary. We will attempt to notify participants of changes as far in advance as possible. Costs incurred by such changes will be the responsibility of the participants.

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