

Jordan Highlights

This itinerary combines all the pleasures of a sunny beach holiday with visits to some of the world's most amazing archaeological sites.

Dead Sea

The Dead Sea has an historical and spiritual legacy, believed to be the site of five biblical cities. Ever since the days of Herod the Great, people have flocked to it in search of its curative secrets. The water's high mineral and salt content possesses anti-inflammatory properties (and make it impossible to sink), the oxygen and magnesium levels in the air improve your breathing and the therapeutic mud has been used for over two-thousand years.

Jerash and Ajloun

The ancient city of Jerash is one of the best preserved Roman Provincial towns in the world. Hidden beneath the sand until about seventy years ago, it comprises city walls, colonnaded streets, temples, theatres, squares and fountains. The main attraction in Ajloun is the Arab-Islamic Al Rabad Castle which aided in the defeat of the Crusaders eight centuries ago. On a clear day you can see the Dead Sea, Jordan Valley, West Bank and Lake Tiberias (the Sea of Galilee).

Madaba, Mount Nebo and Kerak

Madaba is referred to as 'The City of Mosaics' and its most impressive (comprising over two-million pieces) is a 6th century map of the Holy Land. Nearby, is the revered site of Mount Nebo which is said to be where Moses saw the Promised Land before he died and where he is buried. The town of Kerak, built within the walls of the old city, is dominated by Kerak Castle that offers an insight into the architectural military genius of the Crusaders.

Petra

Over two-thousand years ago the Nabataeans carved this unique city into the sheer rock face, turning Jordan into an important junction for the silk and spice trade routes. Entrance is via the Siq, a corridor about five metres wide and the walls tower up to hundreds of metres. While in Petra, why not experience 'The Petra Kitchen'? It's a fun way to learn the secrets of local dishes, including the mezza, by cooking (and eating) with local women and a Chef in a home-style Jordanian kitchen.

Wadi Rum and Aqaba

The vast wilderness of Wadi Rum features striking rock formations, canyons and waterholes, and Jeep tours are an excellent way to explore. It is also possible to spend the night in this desert in a traditional Bedouin tent. In contrast, the Red Sea resort of Aqaba offers excellent beaches, a host of water sports and first-class scuba-diving and snorkelling opportunities. The pristine reefs are home to corals, fish and turtles, and there are several wrecks to dive amongst too.

NB: All hotels and excursions can be tailor-made to suit your tastes and interests. This itinerary is only an example of the holiday experience we can create for you. Feel free to call our Travel Consultants on **01244 897 888** who will happily put together an itinerary to suit your individual requirements – you might want to spend more or less time in one area, or even visit an area that we haven't included here.



Jordan Itinerary

DAY 1 | Dead Sea

Arrive in Amman, private car transfer (approximately forty-five minutes) to the Dead Sea for your three-night stay at **Kempinski Hotel Ishtar**.

DAY 4 | Petra

Transfer to Petra, private car transfer (approximately four hours) visiting Madaba, Mount Nebo and Kerak en route for two nights at **Crowne Plaza Hotel, Petra**.

DAY 6 | Wadi Rum & Aqaba

Private car transfer to Aqaba, visiting Wadi Rum en route for your three-night stay at **Kempinski Hotel Aqaba**.

DAY 9 | Madaba

Private car transfer to Madaba (approximately four hours) for your two-night stay at **Evason Ma'In Hot Springs**.

DAY 11 | Flight home

10 nights from £2,775 per person

Price includes flights, hotel accommodation, some meals and private transfers throughout. Activities mentioned are for guidance only and your itinerary will be priced according to your preferences, which can be discussed with our Travel Consultants at the time of booking.



Ajloun



Petra