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Airliners Fam- Arabian Dreaming in the UAE

April 4th, 2019: Depart Toronto for Abu Dhabi on Etihad Airways.

April 5th, 2019: Abu Dhabi

Evening arrival at Abu Dhabi airport and transfer to Abu Dhabi by air-conditioned vehicle. Check in at the Ramada Downtown Abu Dhabi.

April 6th, 2019: Abu Dhabi to Dubai (B, L, D)

After breakfast, we depart for our Abu Dhabi city tour, the largest and the capital city of the United Arab Emirates. This comprehensive tour is the ideal introduction to the UAE capital and the island on which it stands. The name Abu Dhabi means: "Father of the Gazelle". Our first stop will be at Sheikh Zayed Grand mosque, one of the largest Mosques in the world; able to accommodate more than 30,000 worshipers. The beautiful Mosque is completely clad in marble and also features intricate Islamic decoration and carvings as well as extensive landscaping works. We will continue our tour towards Abu Dhabi downtown. Will pass through the old city or what we consider OLD today, the Cultural Foundation, founded in 1981 as a center of art and learning. We will see from outside also the oldest building in town, the palace of Al- Husn. We will stop at the Heritage Village, which houses a small museum and depicts the traditional daily activities of the Arab community prior to the discovery of oil.

In the afternoon, we will drive along the spectacular Corniche, past gleaming white mosques, glass-clad offices and elegant high-rise apartments to the tip of the breakwater for a superb view of the city's magnificent skyline. The remaining part of the afternoon will be devoted to drive through the famous giant Saadiyat Island project where the Louvre museum and Guggenheim museums are being built to complete the image of ABU DHABI as a cultural city.

In the mid afternoon, we will transfer to the Moevenpick Jumeirah Lake Towers hotel for a change before our evening transfer to Dubai Creek for the start of our Dhow Cruise Dinner.

Our trip includes a fabulous relaxing evening on a traditional Arabian dhow for an evening's cruise on the Creek. We will enjoy a sumptuous feast of Arabic and International cuisine while gently gliding past illuminated souks, banks and palaces.

Transfer back to our hotel and overnight.

April 7th, 2019: Dubai (B, D)

Today we will have the opportunity to discover the spectacular and lively metropolis of Dubai. The city, developed from a small fishing village at the Dubai Creek, nowadays presents itself as a glamorous metropolis at the Arabian Gulf. The distinctive skyscrapers and gigantic shopping-malls will impress every visitor. Our visit starts with Bastakya, the old town district of Dubai. We will learn everything about the local history and geography of the city when visiting the Dubai museum, located in the ancient fortress of Al-Fahidi. Another highlight will follow: we will use the local water taxis, called "Abrams", to cross the Dubai Creek. We will enjoy the spectacular view of the city while heading towards the district of Deira. Here we will be enchanted by the large variety of exotic spices in the famous Spice Souk. Our tour will then take us to the Top of Burj Khalifa: The World's Tallest Building.



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We will then proceed to Jumeirah area for a photo stop of the awe-inspiring Grand Mosque of Jumeirah. Built in the medieval Fatimid tradition, this stone structure is a tribute to modern Islamic architecture

In the early evening we will be transferred to the Dubai Mall for an opportunity for some shopping followed by dinner at a local restaurant within the Mall.

Transfer back to our hotel and overnight in Dubai.

April 8th, 2019: Dubai (B,D)

This morning will be free at leisure to allow you some time for some local shopping.

In the mid afternoon, we will join a Desert Safari! After settling down in the 4WD vehicles, the jeeps will speed through the desert of the golden sand dunes. The dune bashing or desert driving continues with the thrill of going up and down the dunes provoking many shrieks and laughter full of excitement. The final leg of this program takes us to the main camp site.. After witnessing a memorable sight – the true Arabian sunset with its glory and magic- a delicious Barbecue Dinner is prepared on open fires and a variety of beverages are available. The beat of the music increases as a Belly dancer starts dancing to the rhythm of the music. What a better way to experience a true Arabian night than this. For many travellers, this is a highlight of their visit in Dubai!

Evening transfer back to our hotel and overnight in Dubai.

April 9th, 2019: Dubai-Abu Dhabi- Toronto

Early morning transfer Transfer to Abu Dhabi Airport for homebound flight to Toronto.

Rate: CAD \$1459.00 plus \$540.00 tax per person, double sharing.

Single supplement: CAD \$379.00

Includes:

- International Airfare on Etihad Airways in Economy from Toronto
- 04 Nights Accommodation (01 Night in Abu Dhabi & 03 Nights in Dubai)
- English Speaking Guide
- Transportation
- Entrance Fees during the mentioned visits (note we will not be entering the Louvre or Guggenheim)
- Dubai City Tour
- Cross the Dubai Creek by "Water Taxi"
- Photo Stop at Burj el Arab
- Photo stop at the Atlantis at the Palm Island
- Shopping Tour of Dubai Mall
- Meals as per itinerary
- Abu Dhabi Tour
- Dhow Cruise Dinner
- Climb Burj Khalifa
- Desert Safari with BBQ Dinner