

Excursions

City of Contrasts Orientation Tour of Dubai City

Excursion	City of Contrasts
Minimum / Maximum	25
Duration	4 Hours
Timings	0900-1200 or 1600-2000
Days of operations	Sat-Thu
Refreshments	Not included in the
Tour Price	USD 25 per person

A tour of the city in a luxury air-conditioned coach that introduces visitors to several of Dubai's key attractions. This tour provides a unique opportunity to view, first-hand, some of the world's most stunning architectural feats including the magnificent Burj Al Arab Hotel and the Emirates Towers - the tallest structure in the Middle East and Europe - as well as the ancient and traditional structures of yesteryear, dominated by wind towers and walls constructed of sea coral, used to insulate the homes from the desert heat.



In the Bastakia area, located alongside the Dubai Creek in the historical heart of Dubai, you will visit the beautifully restored Al Fahidi Fort, now home to the Dubai Museum. We will also pass the Diving and Heritage Villages as we move on towards Shindagah - the original site at the mouth of the Creek from which Dubai developed. While in Shindagah, we will drive past Sheikh Saeed's house, the former residence of Sheikh Saeed Al Maktoum, Ruler of Dubai (1912 - 1958) and grandfather of the present Ruler, Sheikh Maktoum bin Rashid Al Maktoum.

While on the Deira side of the Creek, we will pass by the aromatic spice souks and the traditional gold souk situated alongside the busy wharfage - a testimony to Dubai's vibrant role as a commercial centre of trade. From the wharfage, lined with boats that ply the Gulf transporting an array of goods to various destinations, we will cross over the Al Garhoud Bridge and have a brief stop for refreshments at Al Boom Tourist Village, situated alongside the picturesque Dubai Creek.

We will drive along Jumeirah Beach Road, past the Jumeirah Grand Mosque, one of the country's most beautiful landmarks.

The Jumeirah area is a popular shopping zone among expatriates, with several small shopping centres including Palm Strip, Magrudy's, the Jumeirah Centre, Jumeirah Plaza, the Beach Centre, Town Centre and the recently opened Mercato shopping mall. Jumeirah Beach Road is also home to many of Dubai's most prestigious hotels and resorts, set along a vast stretch of sandy beach fronting the Gulf.

