

Oman

Mystic Muscat Experience - City Tour



Itinerary for WTA Grand Final Ceremony 2019 28 November 2019, Muscat, Oman

MUSCAT - CITY TOUR DURATION: HALF DAY

From/To Departure - Arrival		Stop/activites	Duration of visit
08:45	-	Reporting time at hotel	-
09:00	09:30	Drive to the Grand Mosque	30 mins
09:30	10:15	Visit Grand Mosque	45 mins
10:15	10:45	Drive to Bait al Zubair Museum	30 mins
10:45	11:15	Visit Bait al Zubair Museum	30 mins
11:15	11:30	Drive to Al Alam palace	15 mins
11:30	11:45	Photo stop at the Al Alam palace	15 mins
11:45	12:00	Drive to Muttrah souk	15 mins
12:00	12:45	Visit Muttrah souk	45mins
12:45	13:15	Drive back to the Hotel	15 mins
	13:15	Arrive at the Hotel	

28, November- Thursday

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This morning we will start our tour with visit to **Grand Mosque** the most exquisite Mosque in Oman. The developed part of the site, Including the fully consolidated areas and landscaping, covers 416,000 square metres. The Mosque complex (covering 40,000 square metres) is constructed on a raised podium in keeping with the tradition of Omani mosques that were built elevated from street level. It can accommodate up to 20,000 worshippers and consists of a main prayer hall, ladies prayer hall, covered passageways, a meeting hall, and library which will eventually contain up to 20,000 books. A major feature of the main prayer hall is the hand-made Persian carpet consisting of . 1,700 million knots, Weighing 21 tones and made in a single piece measuring 70 x 60 metres. From design stage



it took 4 years complete and 600 female weavers from province of Khurasan in Iran were involved.

Note : Ladies visiting the mosque are required to cover their head with scarf and wear full length touser and full sleeves shirt. No shorts or skirts please. Men are required to wear long trousers and half or full sleeves shirt. No shorts are allowed.

Visit Grand Mosque from 8am to 11am from Saturday to Thursday except Friday.

We drive to old town of Muscat and visit **Bait Al Zubair Museum**. It consists of a concise collection reflecting the splendid Omani Heritage. The collection includes traditional Omani Weapons such as swords, daggers, rifles & their accessories, along with jewellery, cosmetics & costumes from various regions of Oman.



After Museum We drive to the magnificent **Al Alam Palace**, the official residence of His Majesty Sultan Qaboos Bin Said the ruler of Oman. The palace is an architectural marvel for both its design and its location between the twin Portuguese forts Mirani and Jalali (A brief photograph stop from outside only).



We then visit **Muttrah Souq** – one of the most popular souqs in the Middle East. Take a walk in its labyrinthine alleyways beckoning with a myriad of merchandise, from imported fabrics to exotic Oriental spices, perfumes and richly handcrafted artefacts. A visit to this frenetic, pulsating hub of Muscat's old quarter makes for a delightful experience. Here, scents of exotic Arabian perfumes and spices float through the air. Other shops specialise in famous Omani khanjars

(daggers), antiques, traditional silver jewellery, and handicrafts in copper, camel bone, wood, leather and hand-made Omani costumes. Later return to hotel.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE

- Panoramic sightseeing with photo stops at the Sultan Al Alam Palace.
- Visit Bait Al Zubair Museum & the Grand Mosque
- Shopping opportunity at the souk

END OF THE TOUR / SERVICES

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