

HIGHLIGHTS OF SYRIA TRIP

DAY 1: BEIRUT-DAMASCUS

- Wake up early to depart the Hamra area in Beiryt at 8am, provided that all of our group members are present.
- The drive will take between 3 and 5 hours including border formalities. On the way to the border, we'll stop for a Lebanese breakfast and also to exchange our money into Syrian Pounds.
- Check in to Beit Al Mamlouka hotel, or another boutique hotel, where you'll have a short break to relax and unpack.
- We will try to cover some of Damascus many sights, including the nightlife. Overnight in Damascus



DAY 2: DAMASCUS FULL DAY

- We will have a full day of sightseeing in Damascus to cover Ananias Church, Souq Medhat Pasha, Khan As'ad Pasha, Qasr El Azm Palace, Beit Jebri Restaurant, The Ummayad Mosque, Salaheddine's mausoleum, Al Hamidiyah Market, Al Nawfara Coffee Shop and some traditional Damascene houses in the old city.
- Overnight in Beit Al Mamlouka hotel, or another boutique hotel in the old town of Damascus



DAY 3: MALOULA- KRAK DES CHEVALIERS

- Drive to Maaloula, a Christian town where many residents speak Aramaic, the language of Jesus. If time permits you can also stop at Saidnaya to see another iconic church on the way.
- After that, you will drive directly to the crusader citadel of Krak Des Chevaliers. An incredible medieval crusader fortress!
- You will stay in a hotel in Krak des Chevaliers, which is also a place locals come to enjoy themselves, so this place is often a opportunity for a good party.



DAY 4: KRAK-PALMYRA-HOMS

- Wake up early to drive 200km to Palmyra, explore the ancient city and drive 160km from Palmyra to Homs
- In the afternoon, you can explore what Homs has to offer. This city was extremely affected by the war, but it is now safe to visit. In the afternoon, we will explore what Homs has to offer. This city was extremely
- Visit Um Al Zenar Church, Julia restaurant and Khalid Ibn Al Waleed Mosque and also go to the souq.
- Overnight in Homs.



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DAY 5: HOMS-ALEPPO FULL DAY

- Start the day early with a drive to Aleppo to a full day there
- Upon arrival to Aleppo, we'll head to the old markets of Aleppo and experience the hustle and bustle of certain neighbourhoods, while also seeing some of the worst destruction to take place in Syria throughout the war. We'll also experience Al Azizieh neighbourhood, Al Talal market and taste some of the delicious food that makes Aleppo Syria's capital of food!
- Overnight in Aleppo



DAY 6: ALEPPO-EBLA-HAMA-DAMASCUS

- Wake up early to drive South to visit the ancient ruins of Ebla, a place which is rarely visited on tourist itineraries of Syria. You will be passing destroyed and abandoned villages in Idlib province.
- On the way to Damascus, you will stop by Hama, which is famous for its ancient water wheels and sweets Halawet Al Jabn.
- Arrive late in Damascus where you will spend the night.



DAY 7: DAMASCUS-BEIRUT

- After spending the morning with free time for shopping and drinking some tea in one of the old cafés, its time to leave Syria
- You will be taken through the border and back to Beirut
- The tour will be finished upon arrival in Beirut.



BONUS: EXTRA DAYS IN SYRIA

- You can easily spend 3-4 weeks in Syria, seeing new places every day, but this tour is aimed towards seeing the highlights.
- If you want to add more sights and spend more time in Syria, no worries! Just let us know and we can get a quote for you.



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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS



Explore the old town of Damascus



Try an included hamam experience



Visit the christian town called Maloula



Visit the destroyed areas of Homs



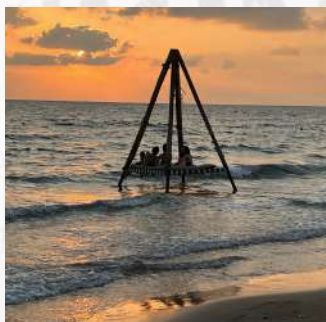
Walk around the old souq in Aleppo



Visit the ancient Roamn city Palmyra



See the water wheels of Hama



See also the peaceful sides of Syria



Meet friendly locals

...AND THERE ARE MANY MORE!

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POSSIBLE DATES:

ANY TIME, WHENEVER YOU WANT

MAIN SEASON:

MARCH-NOVEMBER



NOTES

A deposit will be required to confirm the trip and the remaining balance will have to be paid in cash on arrival.

The order of the sights, activities and campsites will vary based on weather, police checkpoints and road conditions.

The visa will be arranged for you, and can be picked up at the border for a fee.



INCLUDED

- All accommodation (in nice hotels)
- Breakfasts (in the hotels)
- All transport and entry fees at sights
- Local, English speaking guide/driver



NOT INCLUDED

- Visa fee (expect 50-70\$)
- Flights to Beirut
- Travel insurance
- Meals (except hotel breakfasts)
- Tips to drivers, guides etc (budget 50-100\$)

