



ras al khaimah

Discover Ras Al Khaimah's Culture & History

Experience a perfectly curated itinerary that weaves through the fascinating history and culture dating back to 7,000 years.



3 day

Ras Al Khaimah Culture & History Itinerary

Day 1

- Celebrate the fascinating history of pearl diving in Ras Al Khaimah at the Suwaidi Pearl Farm, where you can try hand in opening your own oysters to see if you've found a pearl to take home.
- After a hearty lunch, you'll head inland to Dhayah Fort to discover the twin-peaked fortress that was built during the 19th century and restored in 2011. One of Ras Al Khaimah's most important sites – Dhayah Fort is also listed on the UNESCO World Heritage Site Tentative List.
- In the evening, explore the terracotta sands of Ras Al Khaimah in a Bassata Village desert camp.

Day 2

- Start your day by exploring the enchanting Al Jazeera Al Hamra Heritage Village, once a thriving hub for pearl diving and fishing. Wander through the well-preserved structures that tell the stories of the Emirati community and its rich maritime history.
- For lunch, indulge in authentic Emirati cuisine at Skeek, where traditional flavors and warm hospitality come together. Savor delicious dishes that reflect the region's culinary heritage, making for a delightful dining experience.
- As the sun begins to set, head to Camp 1770, the UAE's highest camp. Here, you can unwind while taking in breathtaking panoramic views of the desert landscape, enjoying the magical transition from day to night in this stunning setting.

Day 3

- Start your day with an exhilarating sunrise hot air balloon ride by ActionFlight, soaring almost 3,000 meters above the ground and taking in breathtaking views of Ras Al Khaimah. After this unforgettable experience, enjoy a delicious breakfast at the Tower Links Golf Club to fuel your next adventure.
- Next, delve into the rich history of the emirate at The National Museum of Ras Al Khaimah, where captivating exhibits await you. Finally, treat yourself to a quick sweet bite at Ashuk Ice Cream, the UAE's oldest ice cream café, and indulge in delightful flavors that have stood the test of time!
- Spend the afternoon surrounded by some of Ras Al Khaimah's native wildlife and learn about these fascinating animals from the expert guides at the Ritz-Carlton Al Wadi Desert resort.
- In the evening, enjoy an authentic farm-to-table dinner at the Ritz-Carlton's Farmhouse.





5 day Ras Al Khaimah Culture & History Itinerary

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- Begin your day with a visit to the stunning Mohamed by Salem Mosque, where you can appreciate the intricate architecture and serene ambiance of this beautiful spiritual site.
- Afterward, savor a delicious lunch at Eayshat Awal, an Emirati restaurant offering authentic flavors that reflect the region's rich culinary heritage.
- In the afternoon, immerse yourself in the vibrant atmosphere of the Kuwaiti Souq, where you can explore local shops filled with unique crafts, spices, and textiles. This delightful experience will give you a taste of the traditional market life in the region!

Day 5

- Enjoy a relaxing morning at one of the many beaches in Ras Al Khaimah.
- Start your day with a visit to the magnificent Sheikh Zayed Mosque in Ras Al Khaimah, where you can marvel at its stunning architecture and serene atmosphere.
- Afterward, indulge in a delightful lunch at 1484 by Puro, the UAE's highest restaurant, where breathtaking views complement your culinary experience.
- As the day unfolds, head to Jais Viewing Deck Park to witness a spectacular sunset over the mountains, providing the perfect backdrop for unforgettable memories.
- Choose from one of Ras Al Khaimah's local, international or world-class restaurants for dinner.



Driving Time

Ras Al Khaimah is easily accessible for regional and international visitors. It is also well served by excellent bus and taxi services, enabling you to reach our diverse areas of natural beauty, historical treasures and modern resorts.

A wide range of maps and brochures are also available to help you make the most of your visit to Ras Al Khaimah.

Ras Al Khaimah is only a short 45-min drive away from Dubai International Airport (DXB), and 1,5h drive away from Abu Dhabi International Airport (AUH).

Weather

Generally, Ras Al Khaimah is a few degrees cooler than its sister Emirates because of its 64-kilometre coastline and the Hajar mountain range.

With a cool sea breeze and slightly less dry in the winter than its neighbors, temperatures in the Emirate vary from 18-25°C in January to 29-43°C in July, with eight to ten daily hours of sunshine all year round.

The Jebel Jais mountain peak provides breathtaking vistas and a cooling microclimate with temperatures less than 10 degrees Fahrenheit found at sea level.

Packing Tips

Depending on the time of year you visit, ensure that you take the proper clothing to protect you. Bring plenty of layering clothes and a warm hat during the winter months. Wear a hat to shade you from the sun and plenty of sun cream to protect you from the sun's harmful rays in the summer.

Weather conditions can change quickly. It is advisable to wear multiple thin layers so that it is easy to maintain your optimal body temperature if the temperature rises or falls.

Emergency Contacts

Important numbers to keep handy:

Police: 07-999

Fire: 07-997

Ambulance: 07-998



Our Partner Hotels



InterContinental Ras Al Khaimah Resort and Spa

The 351-room beachfront escape is the jewel in the crown on Hayat island, affording guests the ultimate luxury seaside relaxation in Mina Al Arab.



The Ritz-Carlton Ras Al Khaimah, Al Wadi Desert

Located in the heart of the Al Wadi Nature Reserve, the peaceful 100-villa resort gives guests the chance to experience authentic desert living in luxury.



Waldorf Astoria

Located on the shores of the Arabian Gulf, the 352-suite-only iconic Waldorf Astoria is synonymous with luxury, multi-award-winning dining and an underwater-themed spa.



Rixos Bab Al Bahr

Its prime beachfront location and 715 bedrooms in pyramid-shaped buildings afford guests the ultimate island-inspired holiday on Ras Al Khaimah's reclaimed coral-shaped island.



Anantara Mina Al Arab Ras Al Khaimah Resort

Located on a private peninsula with golden sands overlooking a lagoon and then the open ocean, the resort features Maldivian-inspired overwater villas and a variety of dining outlets.



Hilton Ras Al Khaimah Beach Resort

Nestled in an expansive cove, the 475-room Hilton Beach Resort is ideal for beach lovers and is just a stone's throw from the mountains and city.



The Cove Rotana Resort

The pastel-coloured resort occupies a pretty Mediterranean-inspired hillside and water inlet with 392 rooms and suites boasting impressive views over the beaches and Arabian Gulf.



Sofitel Al Hamra Beach Resort

Bringing the French art de vivre to Ras Al Khaimah, this beachfront resort boasts luxury rooms and suites, 4 pools, 7 bars, and restaurants, and is located only a short walk away from Al Hamra Mall.

...and many more

- Longbeach Campground
- Radisson Resort Ras Al Khaimah Marjan Island
- Banan Beach
- City Stay Beach Hotel Apartments
- Jannah Resort & Villas
- BM Beach Resort
- DoubleTree by Hilton Ras Al Khaimah
- Hampton by Hilton Marjan Island
- The Dunes Camping
- Mövenpick Resort Al Marjan Island
- Marjan Island Resort & Spa
- Hilton Garden Inn
- BM Beach Hotel
- Al Hamra Residence by Deutsche Hospitality
- Kay Homes Villas Ras Al Khaimah
- RAK Glamping
- Mangrove Hotel
- Mughal Suites
- Royal View Hotel
- Ras Al Khaimah Hotel
- Action Hotel
- Al Hamra Residence & Village
- The Ritz-Carlton Ras Al Khaimah, Al Hamra Beach
- DoubleTree by Hilton Resort & Spa Marjan Island



Dining & Nightlife

TRADITIONAL



Skeek Restaurant & Café

Skeek is a fun and youthful restaurant with spectacular views across the Arabian Gulf, serving traditional Emirati cuisine.



Ashuk Ice Cream

For almost 40 years, Ashuk Ice Cream is considered the best in Ras Al Khaimah. It's become an institution for visitors across the Emirates or overseas.

IN HOTELS



NoHo Bar & Grill

Relaxed and family-friendly throughout the day, the New York- inspired venue seamlessly transforms to an edgy and electric hub as evening falls.



Mekong

Boasting glamorous dining and the flavors of Asia, located at the water's edge, with an al fresco dining terrace at the Anantara Mina Al Arab Ras Al Khaimah Resort.



Basilico

Mediterranean meets Italian in a joyous marriage of authentic flavours at Basilico, located at the Cove Rotana Resort.



Lexington Grill

Savour succulent steak, fresh seafood and innovative dishes at the New York inspired steakhouse at Waldorf Astoria Ras Al Khaimah.

CASUAL



Karma Kafe

Offering a carefully curated menu featuring the best of Pan Asian delicacies with influences from Chinese, Thai, Korean, Vietnamese and Japanese culture.



Ula

Inspired by the energy of the earth, the warmth of the sun and the passion of the Arabian Gulf, Ula is a laid-back beachfront restaurant at the Movenpick Resort Al Marjan Island.



Claw BBQ

With scenic views, open air terrace and great cocktails, visitors have a chance to eat messy, delicious and addictive grills and seafood.



1484 by Puro

The highest restaurant in the United Arab Emirates, 1484 by Puro, proudly occupies a prime position in the Jebel Jais Mountains in Ras Al Khaimah.



Shopping



RAK Mall

RAK Mall is located on Khuzam Road in the Al Qurm district of Ras Al Khaimah, housing over 30 shops.



Al Hamra Mall

Al Hamra Mall is one of the most popular malls in the Emirate, located in the multi-award-winning residential community of Al Hamra Village.



Manar Mall

In the heart of Al Uraibi lies Manar Mall, which is home to a variety of restaurants, entertainment facilities, international retail stores and a supermarket.



Al Naeem Mall

Al Naeem Mall is in the heart of Ras Al Khaimah city, located on the banks of the harbour.



Activities



1484 by Puro



Suwaidi Pearl Farm



Adventure Sports



Al Jazirah Aviation Club



Bassata Desert Village



Bedouin Oasis



Camp 1770



Challenging Adventure Kayaking



Jais Sledder



Desert Safari



The Dunes Camping



Golf courses



Hiking



Jais Flight



Jais Sky Tour



Al Jazeera Al Hamra



The National Museum



Nature Drive



Sonara Camp



Date farms



ActionFlight



Al Jazeera Diving Centre



Miss Teak Dhow



Unveil Arabia



Ras Al Khaimah at a Glance





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