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Golden Dunes Tours

Guaranteed Tour 2018 - 2019:

Group Round Trip Oman Classic

USD 1.190,--
per person in double room

6 days (5 nights)

**Round trip Muscat – Sur - Wahiba Sands – Nizwa –
Muscat**

Individual extensions:

- **Beach Resort 4* or 5* Hotels**
- **Musandam, „Norway of Arabia“ (4 days/3 nights)**
- **Salalah, „mystic incense route“ (4 days/3 nights)**



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Tour Itinerary Oman Classic – Legends of the Orient

6. October 2018 – 29. December 2019

Day 1 (Saturday): Arrival

Arrival at Muscat Intl. Airport and Transfer to your booked city hotel in Muscat, overnight in your hotel in Muscat.



Day 2 (Sunday): City Tour Muscat

In the morning your local guide will pick you up for the Muscat city tour and you will experience the capital of the Sultanate of Oman. Nestled on the coast to the Indian Ocean and surrounded from the mighty Hajar mountain range Muscat, the capital area, appears like a fairy tale of 1001 nights. On your drive through the city you will be fascinated by architecture, parks, mosques. Interior visit of the Grand Sultan Qaboos Mosque (Note: adequate clothing is obligatory and scarfs for women are mandatory) and short guided interior visit tour at the Royal Opera House Muscat. Towards Muttrah Corniche the tour proceeds to the Sultan's Palace, official representative palace of Sultan Qaboos passing the famous forts Jalali and Mirani, built to defense the former Old Town. Short walk to the gate of the Al Alam Palace (only exterior visit). Last not least you will dive into the busy atmosphere of the traditional Muttrah Souq, one of the most authentically existing Arabic Souqs. Beside Gold and Silver wares you will find incense and spices, textiles, shoes and many more. Transfer back to your hotel, and overnight in the booked 4* hotel in Muscat. (B,)



Day 3 (Monday): Muscat – Sur – Wahiba Sands Desert

Heading south towards the coastal highway down to Sur with a stop near Bimah to see the sinkhole and after this you will have a short walk into the beautiful Wadi Shab, with its impressing canyons and gardens. Reaching Sur, the ancient seafaring city and - until today - the centre of the Arabic Dhow yards in Oman. During a visit of the last manufacturing Dhow Yard the tour continues leaving the coast into the interior and the Sharqiya Sands desert. Riding up some dunes along the Bedouine sandy trails we will reach the traditional desert camp. You will stay in huts or chalets with attached private open-air bath room. Dinner and overnight in the desert camp. (B, D)



Day 4 (Dienstag): Wahiba Sands – Wadi Bani Khaleed – Jabrin - Nizwa

After the breakfast in the camp there is time to „risk“ a camel ride if you wish (optional and extra payable at the spot) before we will visit the Wadi Bani Khaleed, one of the most beautiful oasis in Oman with amply green palm gardens, deep rocky canyons and natural sweet water pools. After a short walk you reach the turquoise blue natural pools to refresh yourself in the crystal clear water. We leave the Sharqiya region in direction to central Oman and Hajar mountain chain. Near Jabrin interior visit of the



Jabrin Palace, built in the 17th century and famous for its rich interior decoration and painted and wooden ceilings. The tour leads to Nizwa, former philosophical, religious and cultural centre. Final stop for this day will be at Nizwa Souq, well known for its silver and pottery handy crafts before you will see the interior of Nizwa Fort which majestically overlooks the oasis of Nizwa. From the mighty tower you have a breathtaking view to the city and the nearby mosque. Overnight in the booked hotel in Nizwa (B).



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Day 5 (Wednesday): Nizwa – Bahla – Al Hamra – Wadi Bani Awf – Muscat

After your breakfast in the hotel we start in direction to cross the mountains. First we reach Bahla, a mystical city with the striking Fort Hisn Tamah, listed as UNESCO World Heritage. During an interior round in the Fort you will have an insight into this mighty mud brick style building. We continue to Al Hamra, where we will visit the heritage house of Bait Al Safah in the Old Town area of Al Hamra. After a warm reception with dates and Omani coffee „kahwa“ we start the adventure tour across the Western Hajar mountain from Al Hamra to Nakhal. From the highest point at Sharaf Al Alamyn of about. 2000 m above sea level the tricky off-road track leads through the incredible mountain area down to the Wadi Bani Awf valley. En route photo stop at Balad Seed, an idyllic mountain oasis village. Via Barka we are continuing back to Muscat. (The route over the mountains is possible under dry weather conditions only, alternately drive back on the highway from Nizwa to Muscat) Overnight in your booked city hotel in Muscat. (B).

**Day 6 (Thursday): Departure or start of your individual extension program**

After the breakfast in the hotel check-out and transfer to Muscat Intl. Airport in Seeb and check-in for your departure flight. (B)

For your individual booked beach extension transfer to your beach resort and for your individual booked extension tours to Musandam or Salalah continue as per extension program itinerary,

*****End of Trip*****

Beach Extension - 1st overnight on day 6 (Thursday) :

5* Shangri-La Barr Al Jissah Resort & Spa in Muscat: www.shangri-la.com/muscat/

**Experience world-class service at Shangri-La Barr Al Jissah Resort & Spa**

In a stunning bay over-looking the Gulf of Oman, this ultra-luxurious resort is accessed through a private man-made tunnel in the Hajar Mountains. Shangri-La Barr Al Jissah Resort and Spa offers a full-service spa complex and spacious rooms with panoramic views.

Shangri-La Barr Al Jissah Resort and Spa's Arabian-inspired rooms feature private balcony, terrace, or patio facing the Arabian sea or the extensive garden. Boasting 12 treatment villas, Chi, The Spa features vitality hydro pool, herbal steam room, tropical showers, an ice fountain and a relaxation area. Water sports facilities are available at the private beach. Other activities can be arranged by the tour desk.

Muscat International Airport is a 45-minute drive away. Muscat City Centre Mall can be reached by car in 25 minutes.

The resort boasts a lazy river stretching 500 m from Al Waha to Al Bandar hotels. Cool Zone and Adventure Zone are designed to offer younger guests a variety of activities. In addition to a wide range of water sports, camel and pony rides along the beach are also offered.

The Barr Al Jissah Resort features 8 world-class restaurants serving a variety of international cuisine. A deluxe breakfast is prepared daily. The B.A.B. Lounge provides a relaxing environment for enjoying pre-dinner drinks or late-night cocktails.

Free WiFi is available throughout the entire resort. Central Muscat is a 15-minute drive away.

This ecofriendly hotel hosts Turtle Ranger programme that protects and nurtures new hatch-lings and turtle nests.



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Beach Extension - 1st overnight on day 6 (Thursday): travel to Salalah by plane
5* Salalah Rotana Resort in Salalah:

<http://www.rotana.com/rotanahotelandresorts/oman/salalah/salahrotanaresort>



Welcome to the luxurious Salalah Rotana Resort in Oman where you will be embraced by the traditional warm and friendly Omani hospitality. Set along the shores of the Indian Ocean, the 5-star waterfront resort's 400 splendid rooms, suites and family rooms are beautifully built around the lagoons, water features and manmade canals for an unforgettable experience.

The upscale hotel's Omani-inspired architecture features a series of clusters surrounding the main building, housing major public facilities and amenities. All guest rooms have a balcony or terrace with ocean views, canal views or garden views and are furnished with flat screen Televisions, mini bar, tea or coffee making amenities and more.

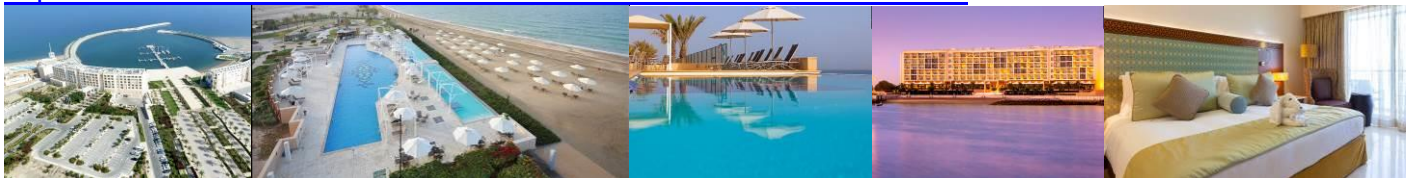
You can keep fit and relax with our state-of-the-art facilities including two outdoor swimming pools, Bodylines Fitness & Wellness Club, Zen the spa at Rotana, Tennis courts and Flipper's Kids Club. A variety of restaurants are also available whether you want to enjoy a cocktail at the beach, have a tea in our lobby lounge or looking for an informal All Day Dining restaurant, at Salalah Rotana Resort your needs will be satisfied.

Conveniently located with close proximity to major attractions including Museum of the Land of Frankincense, Haffah Souq and the Sultan's Palace, Salalah Rotana Resort is a scenic 20 km drive from Salalah Airport.

Beach Extension – 1st overnight on day 6 (Thursday) :

Millennium Resort Musanah 4* bei Musanah

<https://www.millenniumhotels.com/en/muscat/millennium-resort-mussanah>



The Millennium Resort in Mussanah offers free Wi-Fi, 4-star accommodation and its own private marina on the Gulf of Oman. The air-conditioned guest rooms feature flat-screen TVs and modern, bathrooms.

Each room has large windows, is filled with natural light and decorated with warm, earthy colours. All are fitted with a minibar and tea and coffee making facilities. Each offers panoramic views of the Al Hajar Mountains.

Set in landscaped gardens, the Millennium Resort offers 24-hour reception and free private parking. There is also a business centre on site and free Wi-Fi available throughout the property.

The complex features 2 restaurants that serve international cuisine, a lobby lounge and a bar. Guests can dine on the terrace which overlooks the marina. Room service is also offered.



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Beach Extension – 1st overnight on day 6 (Thursday):

Crowne Plaza Muscat Hotel 4* - <http://www.ihg.com/crowneplaza/hotels/us/en/muscat/mschc/hoteldetail>



Overlooking the Gulf of Oman, Crowne Plaza Muscat features a private bay, a sauna, and 2 outdoor pools. It offers free WiFi in all areas, a fitness centre and spacious, air-conditioned rooms with satellite TV.

All rooms are equipped with a minibar, work desk, tea/coffee maker, and a private bathroom with bathrobe, slippers and hairdryer. Rooms at Crowne Plaza enjoy views over the sea or the landscaped gardens.

Guests can relax by the pool area and benefit from the tennis and squash courts. Various massages, mud wraps, body scrubs and facial treatments are also available.

Arabian, Italian and international dishes are served at the hotel's 4 restaurants. Guests can enjoy drinks and cocktails at the pool bar or the English pub Duke's Bar.

Hotel Crowne Plaza Muscat is a 5-minute drive from the shopping area of Qurum and a 20-minute drive from Muscat International Airport. A free shuttle to Grand Mosque, Muttrah Souk and city Centre are available twice daily.

This property is also rated for the best value in Muscat! Guests are getting more for their money when compared to other properties in this city.

Program starting from day 6 for extension Musandam, „Norway of Arabia“:

Day 6 (Thursday): Muscat – Khasab (Musandam):

After your breakfast in the hotel in Muscat, transfer to Muscat Intl. Airport in Seeb and flight to Khasab in Musandam with Oman Air (approx. Flight time is 1 hour). Arrival in Khasab and transfer to your hotel. Overnight in Atana Khasab Hotel in Khasab. (B)

Day 7 (Friday): Musandam – Dhow Cruise in the „Norway of Arabia“:

After your breakfast in the hotel, transfer to the port for boarding the Dhow. You will spend the whole day on the traditional Arabic wooden boat enjoying yourself during the relaxing tour along the fjords with possibility for swimming and snorkeling. With a probability of 90% percent you will spot dolphins in their natural living area, following the boat. Your lunch, soft drinks, tea and coffee will be served on board. After arriving at Khasab port, transfer to your hotel. Overnight at Atana Khasab Hotel. (B, L)

Day 8 (Saturday): Khasab Musandam: This day is for your free disposal to relax. Overnight at Atana Khasab Hotel. (B)

Day 9 (Sunday): Muscat – Departure: After your breakfast in the hotel transfer to Khasab airport and check-in for your flight back to Muscat. (B)



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Program starting on day 6 for extension Salalah, „mystic incense route“:

Day 6 (Thursday) : Muscat – Salalah:

After your breakfast in the hotel transfer to Muscat Intl. airport in Seeb and flight with Oman Air to Salalah (flight time is about 1,5 hrs). Arrival in Salalah and transfer to your hotel. In the afternoon your guide will take you to the Salalah city tour with visit of the Museum of the Land of Frankincense and Al Baleed archeological park. Und Transfer ins gebuchte Hotel. After a photo stop at the Mosque and the Sultan's Palace you will visit the famous Haffah Souq, known for its incense products. Overnight at Salalah Beach Resort 3*. (B)



Day 7 (Friday): Salalah West – Splendours of Dhofar:

We start our half day exploration of Dhofar by driving towards the 'Qara' mountains. On a road steadily winding up a steep incline, herds of Camels & Cattle are a common sight which gives a scenic view of a traditional dhofari rural beauty. Visit the ancient tomb of 'Prophet Job' situated in the scenic green mountains of the Salalah Plains. Experience the legendary story of Prophet Job and his devoutness. Proceed to the beach of Mughsail where the white sand touches the deep blue of the ocean & at high tide, where waves burst through the natural 'Blow Holes', at the far end of the 'Rocky beach' with a cave-like entrance. We thereafter continue along the 'Hairpin-bend' road towards Western Border of Oman, with its breathtaking cliffs on either side, to see the historical 'Frankincense trees' growing in their natural habitat, deep down in the valleys, dotting the dry & craggy countryside. We take a short walk into the valleys to smell the 'Holy Incense' amidst the scenic landscape. On our return journey we make a photo stop at the lagoon at Mughsail where migratory birds – occasionally flamingos – are a common sight. Return to the hotel. Overnight at Salalah Beach Resort 3*(B)



Day 8 (Saturday) : Salalah East Tour – Historical Dhofar

The excursion begins with a visit to the old fishing village of 'Taqah', famous for the manufacture of 'Dried Sardines' & its traditional & old 'Dhofari Houses'. Visit the century old 'Taqah Castle', the former official residence of the 'Wali' (Governor) of the region & obtain a glimpse into the rich history of the region. Continue onto the ancient ruins of the once famous city of **Sumharam** (Khor Rohri). The city was the easternmost outpost of the Hadramawt Kingdom on the ancient incense route between the Mediterranean Sea, Persian Gulf and India. Khor Rori was an important port on the coast of Dhofar, and one of the major trading cities with frankincense, believed to have been the hub & harbour for the shipping of Frankincense (UNESCO World Heritage site). A picturesque drive then leads you to **Mirbat**, the ancient capital of Dhofar and the beginning of the 'Frankincense trail'. Stroll through the streets lined with old Omani mud houses & visit the 'twin domed **Bin Ali's Tomb**' as a photo stop Historical Dhofar ...a classic example of medieval architecture. On our way back to the hotel, explore the natural spring of '**Ayn Razat**', beautifully laid out amidst the tranquil lush mountains & nourished every day of the year by natural underground spring water. Return to the hotel by late noon. Overnight at Salalah Beach Resort 3*(B)



Day 9 (Sunday): Salalah – Departure

Transfer to Salalah Intl. Airport and check-in for your departure flight. (B)



Round trip Oman Classic: 6 days / 5 nights – 6.10.2018 – 29.12. 2019

The mentioned program will be operated up from 2 persons and is valid for FIT and group reservations. Kind of transport (bus, coaster or microbus, salon car or 4x4 WD vehicle) are subject to change corresponding to the number of travelers and due to weather conditions. Changes of program within the travel period and routes are subject to change due to weather conditions as well as flight schedules. If there are less than 5 conjoint travelers per travel date all simple transfers by vehicle, ferry, plane will be without a guide assistance.

Price: Consumer price is final for Golden Dunes Tourism in USD (US Dollar) incl. all local Taxes and charges. Prices are subject to change due to raise of taxes and charges without any prior notice. The mentioned USD price corresponds to the fixed exchange rate of Omani Rial and USD. Billing in USD. Obligatory 20% pre-payment upon reservation and final payment until 14 days prior to arrival to our bank account in Muscat. All bank and exchange fees and costs are payable by the client (payee).

6 days/ 5 nights group round trip Oman Classic - weekly departure

Arrival Saturday, Departure Thursday, book by 14 days prior to arrival latest

First date of arrival: 6/10/2018 / Last date of arrival: 29/12/2019

Up from min. 2 paying persons:

Price: **USD 1,190** per person in double room

Single supplement

Price: USD 475,00 per person

supplement for arrival on 21.+28.12.2019 and Easter holiday 2019: USD 250,-- per person (DBL or SGL)

supplement pre-stay/post stay in Muscat, 4* HTL, BB Price: USD 197,00 per room and night

All departures are limited with a max. of 12 persons – bookings on first come, first serve basis.

Extension program: Salalah „mystic incense route“:

Up from a min. of 2 paying persons

Price: **USD 866,00** per person in double room

Single supplement:

Price: USD 190,00 per person

Extension program: Musandam „Norway of Arabia“:

up from a min. of 2 paying persons

Price: **USD 839,00** per person in double room

Single supplement:

Price: USD 300,00 per person

We guarantee departure on all above mentioned travel dates up from 2 booked and paying persons. Free cancellation until 21 days prior to arrival. Possible costs and expenses for refund money transfer of pre-payments in case of cancellation won't be overtaken by Golden Dunes Tourism. For all our tours & trips the Gen. Terms & Conditions of Golden Dunes Tourism are valid except when otherwise stipulated.

Package Price Oman Classic Round Trip includes:

3 x overnight in 4* Hotel in Muscat, BB (Ramada Muscat or Park Inn Muscat Hotel, or similar)

2 x overnight in simple middle class hotels e.g. in a desert camp during the round trip, BB

1 x dinner within HB in the desert camp incl. water, soft drinks, tea, coffee.

All airport transfers, all transfer as per program in air-conditioned coach, coaster, microbus, saloon car or 4x4 WD vehicle.

All excursions as per program incl. entrance fees

Still bottled water in the cars

Local German/English speaking guide for all excursions and during the round trip.



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Incl. Services Salalah extension program:

1 x One Way flight ticket Muscat – Salalah with Oman Air, economy class incl. taxes
transfer airport – hotel – airport in Salalah and Muscat
3 x overnight in 3* Salalah Beach Resort, BB
1 x ½ day tour Salalah city tour with English speaking guide incl. entrance fees
1 x ½ day tour Salalah East incl. entrance fees and with English speaking guide
1 x ½ day tour Salalah West with English speaking guide

Incl. Services Musandam extension program:

1 x round trip flight ticket Muscat – Khasab with Oman Air, economy class, incl. taxes
transfers airport – hotel – airport in Khasab and Muscat
3 x overnight in 4* Hotel Atana Khasab, BB
1 x full day dhow cruise incl. lunch and soft drinks on board and hotel pick-up/drop-off.

Prices don't include:

Air fare to /from destination Oman, guide assistance during flights and simple transfers, drinks during meals if not mentioned, Oman visit visa charges (currently OMR 5 per person for max. 10 days stay and OMR 20 per person for max. 30 days stay), tips, personal expenses and all expenses and services not mentioned under "inclusive services".

Note: all simple transfer will be operated by English speaking drivers only.

Payment- and Cancellation Conditions:

Mandatory pre-payment of 100% of the full booking amount until 21 days prior to arrival to our bank account in Muscat. All Bank- and transfer charges as well as currency exchange charges are payable by 100% from the client e.g. payee. Billing in USD.

Free cancellation until 30 days prior to arrival. For cancellation from 29 to 21 days prior to arrival the amount for flight tickets will be charged at 100% + handling fee. For cancellation from 20 to 10 days prior to arrival 100% of the flight tickets incl. of handling fee and 50% of the land arrangement will be charged. For cancellation until 9 days prior to arrival and No show 100% of flight tickets incl. handling fee and 100% of the land arrangement will be charged. For booking of flight tickets any changes or cancellations etc. will be charged corresponding to airline rules. Bank- and transfer charges in case of refund for cancelled services won't be overtaken by Golden Dunes Tourism. The cancellation conditions are valid for single cancellations as well as for group cancellations. The General Terms and Conditions of Golden Dunes Tourism are valid. Jurisdiction: Muscat, Sultanate Oman.

