

## WHAT TO SEE

# Jordan à la carte

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### Amman

The capital of Jordan is a fascinating city of contrasts – a unique blend of old and new, between the desert and the Jordan Valley. In the commercial heart of the city, ultra-modern buildings, hotels, smart restaurants, art galleries and boutiques rub shoulders comfortably with traditional coffee shops and tiny artisans' workshops. The downtown area is much older and more traditional with smaller businesses producing and selling everything from fabulous jewellery to everyday household items.



### The Dead Sea

Without a doubt the world's most amazing place, the Jordan Rift Valley is a dramatic, beautiful landscape, which at the Dead Sea, is over 400m below sea level. The lowest point on the face of the earth, this vast stretch of water receives a number of incoming rivers. Once the waters reach the Dead Sea they are land-locked and have nowhere to go, so they evaporate, leaving behind a dense, rich, cocktail of salts and minerals. The best place to enjoy Spa treatments.



### Petra

Petra, the world wonder, is without a doubt Jordan's most valuable treasure and greatest tourist attraction. This unique city, carved into the sheer rock face by the Nabataeans, was an important junction for the silk, spice and other trade routes that linked China, India and southern Arabia with Egypt, Syria, Greece and Rome. Entrance to the city is through the Siq, a narrow gorge. The colours and formations of the rocks are dazzling. It is a World Heritage Unesco site and New Wonder of the World.



### Wadi Rum

A maze of monolithic rockscapes rise up from the desert floor creating a natural challenge for serious mountaineers. Hikers can enjoy the tranquility of the boundless empty spaces and explore canyons and water holes to discover 4000-year-old rock drawings and many other spectacular treasures. This is 'The Valley of the Moon', the place where Prince Faisal Bin Hussein and T.E. Lawrence had their headquarters during the Arab Revolt against the Ottomans.



### Aqaba

Aqaba is a fun place, a mix of all the good things Jordan has to offer: a fascinating history with some outstanding sites, excellent hotels and activities, superb visitor facilities, good shopping, diving and snorkling. The temperate climate and gentle waters have created a perfect environment for the corals and a teeming plethora of marine life. Here sea turtles and dolphins swim amongst multi-coloured fish.



### Hammamat Ma'in

The Ma'in Hot Springs are popular with both locals and tourists and they are located 264m below sea level in a breathtaking desert oases. Visitors come to enjoy the mineral-rich waters of these hyper-thermal waterfalls. These falls originate from winter rainfalls in the highland plains of Jordan and eventually feed the 109 hot and cold springs in the valley.



### Madaba

The "City of Mosaics" is best known for its spectacular Byzantine and Umayyad mosaics and home to the famous Mosaic Map of Jerusalem and the Holy Land which covers the floor of the Greek Orthodox Church of St. George. With 2 million pieces of vividly coloured local stone, it depicts hills and valleys, villages and towns as far as the Nile Delta.



### Eco Tourism

This is the new border and exciting project of Jordanian Tourism. A wide number of Natural Reserves and eco-lodge to live this brilliant destination in an eco-suitable way. We want to mention the Ajlun Nature Reserve, Azraq Reserve, Aqaba, Mujib Biosphere Reserve, Shawmari Reserve, Dana Biosphere Reserve and the newest Dibeen Forest Reserve.

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