

# Jordan Hiking & Cultural Discovery with Premier Lodging

## The Rose City of Petra, Aqaba & the Dead Sea

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# Feel the difference

with **Mountain Travel Sobek**

## Unrivalled Expertise

MT Sobek started it all! Since our first Everest Base Camp trek in 1969, we've been leading award-winning adventures and building authentic connections in far-flung locations around the world. We were named Best Adventure Tour Company in 2022 by USA Today's 10 Best Readers' Choice Awards.

## Unique Trip Design

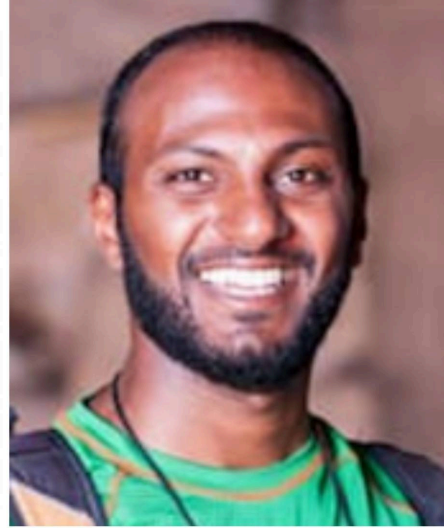
Our adventures are perfectly paced, with incredible attention to detail — the right mix of fun, learning, and challenge that guarantees lifelong memories. Plan nothing, enjoy everything. We take care of all of the logistics so that you can have more time to do what's most important: relax, take in the experience, and enjoy!

## Small Groups

We keep our groups intentionally small — usually fewer than 10 people. This allows you a more intimate experience with the people and wildlife you encounter. With a smaller group size, we can take advantage of many unexpected invitations and opportunities that would be impossible with larger groups.







## Leading the Way

### World-Class Local Guides

Our knowledgeable and passionate expert guides effortlessly create an immersive local experience for you. They are trained to the highest professional standards and are at the heart of everything we do. They make it possible to meet the challenges of adventure travel, and help create lasting memories and lifelong friendships... we can confidently say our guides are the best in the business.







# Why take this trip with us?

## REASON 1

MT Sobek has been creating expert-led hiking and cultural adventures for more than 50 years and we've been exploring Jordan for more than a decade!

## REASON 2

This expertly paced 10-day adventure blends exploration of UNESCO-listed wonders with enjoyable hikes, cultural activities, and premier accommodations.

## REASON 3

Our local seasoned guides know your destination best and can scout out off-the-beaten-path trails and immersive experiences.

## At A Glance

### ACTIVITIES

Easy to moderate hiking for up to 6 hours/8 miles on rugged trails. Cultural touring of historic sites, wine tasting, snorkeling in the Red Sea, floating in the Dead Sea, and much more.



### LODGING

Our premier lodging experience includes luxury hotels and stylish comfortable hotels, plus an elegant tented camp in Wadi Rum. Enjoy all the comforts of 4- to 5-star accommodations.



### CLIMATE

Temperatures range from lows in the mid-to-high 40s and highs in the low 60s to low 70s. There is a slight possibility of rain.



### KNOW BEFORE YOU BOOK

*"What a total comfort to know that with MT Sobek, you're in the hands of professionals who have been doing it so long and so well. That was part of why we landed on them as our operators for our dream trip, and everything about the experience they gave us—from tailored expertise to unswerving professionalism—confirmed the company's emphasis on excellence." - Alex M.*





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Experience soul-stirring landscapes and ancient historical sites in Jordan, a destination where one can actually witness the sands of time. Pair off-the-beaten-path hikes in valleys and forests with exciting visits to iconic landmarks on a deep dive into this wondrous country. Explore the storied sandstone edifices of Petra, float in the Dead Sea, and behold the same Promised Land views Moses saw from Mount Nebo. Indulge in traditional Jordanian cuisine, complemented by local wines. Visit with Arabian horses, venture by jeep and on foot into the UNESCO-listed desert gorges and sandstone peaks of Wadi Rum and go snorkeling off the coast of Aqaba. Each evening, rest peacefully in the region's finest hotels - and even sleep under the stars in a Bedouin-inspired camp.

### 10 Days

**Start:** Amman, Jordan

**End:** Amman, Jordan

**Departing:** March, April, May, October, November, December

**Activities:** Hiking & Trekking, Cultural Discovery

**Lodging:** Luxury Hotels, Luxury Camp

**Group Size:** 3-14 Guests

#### ACTIVITY:



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*“We have traveled throughout the world, but never experienced a level of service and attention to detail as we did with MT Sobek.”*

- Dennis G.



# The Itinerary

## DAY 01

### Arrive in Amman

Welcome to Jordan! Meet your guide at the Queen Alia International Airport and transfer to your luxury hotel in Amman. Settle in, then meet your group for a welcome dinner and trip briefing at a local restaurant.

**MEALS:** Dinner

**TRANSPORTATION:** 30-minute to 1-hour private van transfer

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## DAY 02

### Meet Arabian Horses & Go Wine Tasting

Get your Jordan experience started with a tour of the old city of Amman, exploring the Citadel and the Roman Theatre, two of the city's most popular archaeological sites. Afterward, stop by the fruit market downtown and try a sample of local falafel and knafeh. Next, you'll visit the Royal Stables, established in 1968 to preserve the Arabian horse in its homeland. The breed's entire appearance exudes energy, intelligence, courage, and nobility. Jordan's Royal Stables are home to more than 250 Arabian horses, which are considered national treasures. Most of the horses descend from seven mares owned by King Abdullah I. This evening, you'll see another side of Jordan during a wine-tasting session. During a 20-minute screen presentation, learn about Saint George wines' history, vineyards, terroirs, and process. Then, enjoy a meal of local specialties paired with three different wines.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**ACTIVITY:** Cultural touring

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## DAY 03

### Hike in the Bergesh Forest & Lunch with a Local Family

Discover delightful Jerash, considered one of the Middle East's most important and well-preserved Roman cities. After touring the area, make your way to Ajloun, where you will hike from the beautiful Bergesh Forest east through the lush Wadi Zubia Forest. These verdant landscapes are rare in Jordan, constituting less than 1% of the country's vast 37,450 square miles. After your hike, continue to the village of Rasoun, where you'll be welcomed by a local family with whom you'll enjoy a mouthwatering traditional lunch. After this taste of authentic Jordanian culture and cuisine, return to Amman for the night.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch

**TRANSPORTATION:** 3.5-hour private van transfer

**ACTIVITY:** 3-4 hours/5 miles hiking with 780' elevation gain and 800' elevation loss

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## DAY 04

### Journey to Petra

This morning, take a drive to Mount Nebo and marvel at the view Moses saw when he looked across to the Promised Land. Continue to Madaba to explore and discover amazing Byzantine mosaics excavated throughout the town. The Madaba Map is the oldest preserved mosaic map of the Holy Lands. Move on to a special olive-oil tasting and mini masterclass by Maida Extra Virgin Olive Oil. The producer has won numerous international awards for their olive oil and was chosen as the official oil of The Best Chef Awards in the Netherlands. Enjoy a delicious meal at the Carob farm-to-table restaurant, community kitchen, cafe, and cultural space. Taste traditional Jordanian dishes based on the cultivation of tasty, nutritious foods in harmony with nature. Later in the day, drive to Petra to overnight.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**TRANSPORTATION:** 4.5-hour private van transfer

**ACTIVITY:** Cultural touring

## DAY 05

### Hike to Petra

This morning, you'll transfer to the start of your incredible hike to ancient Petra. Follow a Nabataean route out of the valley with amazing views across the Araba Mountains and all the way to the Negev Desert. Skirt around the final mountain on a natural rock terrace that narrows before reaching a hidden plateau high above the impressive chasm of Wadi Siyyagh. Just beyond, carved into the cliff face, The Monastery suddenly comes into view. At the end of this "back door" route, steps lead down into ancient Petra, past The Treasury and through the famous Petra Siq to the shops, cafes, and hotels of Wadi Musa. Spend the remainder of the day exploring the magnificent monuments within Petra, an unforgettable experience!



**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**ACTIVITY:** 4-6 hours/8.5 miles hiking with 1,627' elevation gain/1,702' elevation loss (option to take jeep ride instead of hiking)

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## Experience Bedouin Culture & Explore Wadi Rum

After breakfast, journey to Wadi Rum and visit the Disi women's cooperative, which celebrates Bedouin culture and traditions. Experience authentic activities such as coffee-making and storytelling, gaining insight into how coffee is central to Bedouin hospitality and rituals. In the evening, embark on a jeep tour through Wadi Rum's breathtaking valleys, canyons, and deserts. As you explore, take in ancient rock inscriptions and awe-inspiring views of the rugged landscape. You'll have opportunities to hike and scramble along the way, immersing yourself in the beauty of the desert. Return to your camp as night falls to enjoy the warmth of Bedouin hospitality and sleep under a blanket of stars.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**TRANSPORTATION:** 2-hour private van transfer

**ACTIVITY:** Cultural touring and 2-hour jeep tour

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## Hike Jebel Al-Hash

After a hearty breakfast, hop in a jeep for the ride to the trailhead at Jebel Al-Hash, located in the Al Forah area near the Saudi Arabian border. Start hiking through an interesting rocky valley scattered with vegetation and over easy rocky slabs as the route winds toward a plateau beneath this massive mountain. Enjoy a 360-degree view extending across the desert, then descend to the west through another rugged valley to complete the trip around Jebel Al-Hash. This moderate off-trail hike suits all fitness levels, as there are several routes to the top. At the end of the hike, drive on to Aqaba to spend the night.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch

**TRANSPORTATION:** 1.5-hour private van transfer

**ACTIVITY:** 3.5 hours/1.7 miles hiking with 255' elevation gain and 262' elevation loss

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## Swim & Snorkel in Aqaba

Today, set out from Aqaba and enjoy a leisurely boat ride with excellent views across Jordan, Israel, Egypt, and Saudi Arabia. Enjoy a swim with vibrantly colored tropical fish and snorkel the Red Sea coral reefs. Lunch will be served on the boat. The afternoon is yours to explore Aqaba on your own or relax at the hotel. Gather in the evening for dinner at the hotel.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**ACTIVITY:** Boat ride, swimming, snorkeling

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## Float in the Dead Sea

Wake up, have breakfast, and drive to the lowest point on Earth to float and relax at the Dead Sea. Enjoy the sunshine and view while trying an invigorating mud bath to cleanse the skin. Later, gather for the farewell dinner at The Precious, where you'll savor a fresh, seasonal, a la carte menu heavily based on locally sourced organic produce. East meets West with inspiration from Mediterranean cuisine and a reliance on flavors from Jordan and the surrounding region.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Dinner

**TRANSPORTATION:** 3.5-hour private van transfer

**ACTIVITY:** Dead Sea sightseeing

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## Depart for Home

This morning, you'll be picked up at your hotel near the Dead Sea and transferred to the airport in Amman for your homeward-bound flight.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**TRANSPORTATION:** 1-hour private van transfer





# Where You'll Stay

**These accommodations may be subject to change depending on your date of travel.**

## **The Ritz-Carlton, Amman**

Get your bearings in Jordan at The Ritz-Carlton, Amman, close to the Citadel and within the city's Fifth Circle, an area known for luxury. This sandstone-colored, art deco-inspired hotel strikes a gorgeous pose and flawlessly combines European sophistication and Jordanian tradition. Settle into one of 228 rooms and suites, soak in the shimmering pool, enjoy classic afternoon tea service, relax in the timeless whiskey and cigar lounge, or slip away to the sumptuous spa.

## **Petra Marriott Hotel**

Overlooking the majestic Petra Valley and its namesake Nabataean city, the Petra Marriott Hotel is a haven for luxury. Start your day with a lavish breakfast buffet of local and traditional favorites at the Dushara Restaurant. After a day of exploration, relax at the spa or indulge in a refreshing cocktail at the bar and lounge. Later, retire to your spacious room, featuring spectacular views and modern amenities, including Wi-Fi. Soak up the old world charm and anticipatory service of this modern oasis in an ancient land.

## **Saraya Rum Camp**

At Saraya Rum Camp, in the middle of the Wadi Rum desert, sleep like a sultan beneath millions of stars far from any kind of light pollution. Surrounded by sandstone mountains, the camp offers 30 spacious, individually decorated tented rooms with air conditioning and hot water. You'll feel the vastness of the desert and its utter silence at night. Dining is a treat, with an international and local menu featuring meats, seafood, vegetarian dishes, and more, capped off with handmade desserts.





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## **Al-Manara Hotel**

Discover the splendor of the Red Sea and historic Aqaba from this luxury beach hotel, a refined retreat for discerning travelers. The thoughtfully appointed, air-conditioned Prestige rooms feature luxury Frette linens, Wi-Fi, a flat-screen satellite TV, a coffee machine, and a balcony overlooking the Red Sea and the hotel lagoon. Authentic restaurant experiences run from Mediterranean flavors to Levantine cuisine to a Zaarb feast on the hotel's private beach.

## **Kempinski Ishtar Resort Hotel**

Inspired by the Hanging Gardens of Babylon, the Kempinski Hotel Ishtar Dead Sea is known for its beautiful design and extraordinary location. Ishtar Superior Rooms are located in the village area of the hotel, each with a spacious, private terrace overlooking the Dead Sea. Indulge in treatments at the award-winning spa, dine at any of the five restaurants and bars, with everything from Lebanese to Mediterranean cuisine, and enjoy easy access to local sightseeing.



# Departure Dates

This trip is available to run in: March, April, May, October, November, December

**Book early for a greater choice of available dates.**

Once you book, your price is GUARANTEED!

May 3-12, 2025

October 20-29, 2025

November 20-29, 2025

December 1-10, 2025

# What's Included

## PRICE INCLUDES

- Expertise and services of our experienced adventure guides
- All accommodations as noted in the itinerary
- All breakfasts, almost all lunches and dinners as noted in the itinerary
- Snacks and water between meals
- Additional regional guides and experts on many trips
- Comprehensive Trip Planner with detailed pre-trip information
- Private guided tours at historic sites, museums, wineries and other select attractions as noted in the itinerary
- Special events and other select attractions as mentioned in the itinerary
- All gratuities at hotels and restaurants
- Equipment and experienced guides for activities as described in the itinerary
- Park and other entry fees (unless otherwise noted)
- Fares for trains, ferries and other modes of travel as listed in the itinerary
- Select transfers as mentioned in the itinerary
- Baggage transfers and portage

## PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- International airfare, airport taxes, and excess baggage fees
- Alcoholic beverages (MT Sobek provides wine at select events)
- Gratuities for MT Sobek guides and guide-drivers
- Travel Protection Program
- Personal expenses





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