

**Wild Discovery** 

## DISCOVER LEBANON Daily tours 2018



# **REGULAR DAILY TOURS**

FULL DAYS	Days of Operations	Departure	Regions	Rate
	Monday	08:30 am	Sidon, Tyr & Echmoun	\$85
	Tuesday	08:30 am	Cedars, Bcharreh & Qozhaya	\$85
		08:30 am	Jeita, Harissa & Byblos	\$82
	Wednesday	08:30 am	Baalbeck, Ksara & Anjar	\$92
	Thursday	08:30 am	Cedars, Bcharreh & Qozhaya	\$85
	Friday	08:30 am	Baalbeck, Ksara & Anjar	\$82
	Saturday	08:30 am	Jeita, Harissa & Byblos	\$92
	Sunday	08:30 am	Beirut, Beiteddine & Deir el Kamar	\$85

### • Special rate for selected days

HALF DAYS	Days of Operations	Departure	Regions	Rate
	Tuesday	08:30 am	Jeita & Byblos	\$70
	Wednesday	08:30 am	Beirut & its Authentic Museums	\$75
	Thursday	08:30 am	Tripoli	\$60
	Saturday	08:30 am	Jeita & Byblos	\$70
	Sunday	08:30 am	Deir el Kamar & Beiteddine	\$50
		01:30 pm	Beirut	\$40





## HALF DAYS

#### JEITA & BYBLOS

Tuesday & Saturday at 08:30 am

The upper and lower grottoes will dazzle your eyes whilst the magnificent limestone crystallized forms carved by time and water. Continue to Byblos and visit the Crusaders Citadel, the roman theatre, St. John Cathedral, the harbor, the fossil museum and the souks.

#### **BEIRUT & ITS AUTHENTIC MUSEUMS**

Wednesday at 08:30 am (6 hours)

Start with BDL Lebanon's currency museum. Visit the National Museum, Continue to MIM museum of minerals. Visit of Downtown passing by the Grand Serail, the Roman Baths, the Parliament, etc... Visit of the crypt museum in "St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral".

#### TRIPOLI

Thursday at 08:30 am

In ancient times, Tripoli was the center of a Phoenician confederation which included Tyre, Sidon and Arados, hence its name, meaning "triple city" in Greek. Visit the citadel of St. Gilles, the Medina, the Caravanserail of Soap, and the souks.

#### **DEIR EL KAMAR & BEITEDDINE**

Sunday at 08:30 am

Visit Deir El Kamar, the typical Lebanese village with its red roofs declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Proceed to Beiteddine to visit the Palace of Emir Beshir built in 1788. Visit the Midan Square, the Salamlak & the stables.

#### BEIRUT

Sunday at 01:30pm

Visit the National Museum then admire the Corniche where lies the Pigeons Rock since the eternity. The tour ends on foot with the down town passing by the Grand Serail, the Roman Baths, the Parliament, the ancient mosques and Churches, Nejmeh Square & Martyrs Squar

## **FULL DAYS**



#### SIDON, TYRE & ECHMOUN

Monday at 08:30 am

Visit the landmarks of Sidon including the Crusaders Castle, the Souks, the Caravanserail, the Soap Museum, etc..Continue to Tyre for lunch. Visit the ancient Phoenician city: the Necropolis, the Triumph arches, the Hippodrome, and the "Maritime Site". On the way back, stop for the temple of Echmoun.

#### CEDARS, BCHARREH & QOZHAYA

Tuesday & Thursday at 08:30 am

Visit the forest of the Cedars of God. Continue to Bsharreh, native town of the Lebanese poet, writer and painter Gibran Khalil Gibran. Visit its museum. Lunch. In the afternoon, visit the Monastery of Saint Anthony the Great lying at the edge of Qadisha Valley and house of the oldest printer in the Arab world.

#### JEITA, HARISSA & BYBLOS

Tuesday & Saturday at 08:30 am

The upper and lower grottoes will dazzle your eyes whilst the magnificent limestone crystallized forms carved by time and water. Continue to Harissato visit the statue of "Our Lady of Lebanon". Take the cable car down to Jounieh. Lunch then visit Byblos: the Crusaders Citadel, the roman theatre, St. John Cathedral, the harbor, the fossil museum and the souks.

#### BAALBECK, KSARA & ANJAR

Wednesday & Friday at 08:30 am

Departure to the Beqaa Valley. Visit Baalbeck, the largest Roman temples ever built: Jupiter, Bacchus and Venus temples. Continue to Ksara to taste the Lebanese Wine and visit the caves dated back to the Roman era. Lunch in a local restaurant. Then proceed to Anjar to visit the unique Umayyad site in Lebanon.

#### **BEIRUT, BEITEDDINE & DEIR EL KAMAR**

Sunday at 08:30 am

Departure to the Chouf. Visit Beiteddine, a palace of Emir Beshir, built in 1800. Quick stop at Deir el Kamar, the Lebanese typical village. Lunch in a local restaurant. Visit the National Museum of Beirut then admire the Corniche & the Pigeons Rock. The tour continues on foot with the down town passing by the Grand Serail, the Roman Baths, the ancient mosques and churches, Martyrs Square.

# WINE TOURS

Lebanon is among the oldest sites of wine production in the world. Although many of the famous vineyards are located in the Bekaa, there is a significant wine-making presence in the North.

Wild Discovery offers you a variety of tours. You can chose from the below menu or contact us for your tailor made tour.

Days	Regions	
Sunday 21 January 18	BATROUN CITY TOUR AND IXSIR WINERY	\$145
Saturday 24 February 18	JREBTA - ADYAR WINERY - KFIFANE	\$95
Sunday 11 March 17	JREBTA - ADYAR WINERY - KFIFANE	\$95
Sunday 25 March 18	BATROUN CITY TOUR AND IXSIR WINERY	\$145
Saturday 07 April 18	CHATEAU KSARA - DOMAINE DES TOURELLES - CHATEAU BELLE VUE	\$98
Saturday 12 May 18	CHATEAU KSARA - DOMAINE DES TOURELLES - CHATEAU BELLE VUE	\$98

## Visit of Chateau Marsyas can be scheduled on pre-appointment Call us for more info

#### Rates are per person, valid for a minimum of 5 persons and include:

- Transportation by a minivan. Pick up & drop off from our office in Gemmayze. Pick up at 08h30.
- Services of our local guide (Arabic/French/English speaking)
- Entrance fees to the visited sites where applicable
- Lunch including one soft drink & water
- All local taxes (VAT Currently 11%)

Tips for guide & driver not included

#### JREBTA - ADYAR WINERY - KFIFANE

Departure to visit the Convent of St. Joseph at Jrebta (The blessed Rafka), this convent was built in 1897; it belongs to the order of the Lebanese nuns. The Blessed Rafka was one of the six nuns who marked the beginning of the cloistered life in this convent, on the 3rd of November 1897. She lived there until she died on the 23rd of March 1914, confined to her bed by great sufferings. On the 27th of November 1985, His Holiness the Pope John-Paul II declared the Beatification of Rafka. Proceed to Adyar Winery for lunch followed by wine tasting. It's not simply a Lebanese Wine, it is a great "Vin de terroir". Visit the Monastery of Saint Cyprien and Justinian in Kfifane Village. Today it becomes a pilgrimage site thanks to Saint Nematallah Kassab Al-Hardini, who is buried in the modest place. Built well before the 17th century, in 1766 the Lebanese Maronite Order transformed the monastery into a seminary for study of theology, philosophy, literature and law.

#### BATROUN CITY TOUR AND IXSIR WINERY

Our first stop is the charming coastal town of Batroun; boasting tens of historic churches. The "Phoenician Wall" built in ancient times by the Phoenicians to protect the city from the wild ocean storms is still found today. Wander in the old stone souk of Batroun.

Continue to Basbina, where IXSIR, a Lebanese wine established in 2008, welcomes you to visit their winery. Wine tasting tour followed by the Buffet Lunch by Nicolas Audi, one of the best Lebanese chefs.

#### CHATEAU KSARA - DOMAINE DES TOURELLES - CHÂTEAU BELLE-VUE

Start your visit with Chateau Ksara, The country's oldest winery. It has been making wine since 1857, a tradition started by the Jesuit brothers. It is home to the first observatory in the Middle East and has two kilometers of Roman passages now used as the winery's cellars. Today it produces two million bottles annually - six reds, four whites and two rosés, as well as Lebanon's bestselling arak (an aniseed-based eau de vie similar to ouzo). Proceed to Domaine des Tourelles, which was founded in 1868. The winery became the first commercial cellar in Lebanon producing wines, Arak and other spirits. On the way back to Beirut, visit Chateau Belle-Vue, situated at the edge of Bhamdoun village. Belle-Vue itself was originally a beautiful hotel owned and run by Naji Boutros' maternal grandparents. When war broke out in 1975, Hotel Belle-Vue closed its doors and became the family's main residence.

Hotel Belle-Vue no longer exists, but symbolically, this was the first vineyard planted with vines in April 2000. Years later, they now cultivated 30,000 vines on dozens of plots in and around the village. After decades of disuse and neglect, the valley is again green and bountiful.



# FARAYA TOURS

Wild Discovery offers everything you could ask for a journey in Faraya, from snow mobile rental to ski packages, snowshoeing, Igloo building, wine tasting on top of the mountain... Call us and ask for our special departure dates and tailor-made packages



# **PRIVATE TOURS**



(full day 8 hours for less than 8 persons)

(half day 4 hours for less than 8 persons) Guides can only be booked through us if the vehicle is provided by our company VAT included (currently at 11%)

# **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

### **Regular Daily Tours**

- · Departures are guaranteed starting 2 persons
- · All tours depart from our office in Gemayzeh as per the schedule
- All prices are per person & include:
- Transportation in a deluxe modern A/C vehicle
- Services of our accompanying guide (English, Arabic and French)
- Entrance fees to the visited sites
- Lunch in the finest local restaurants with one soft drink (only for full day tours)
- VAT (currently at 11 %)
- · Children under 12 years old are entitled to a discount of 25% (Not valid on half day tours and on discounted rates)
- · Free pick-ups are arranged from hotels in Beirut (45 minutes prior to departure time depending on the hotel location). Free drop-offs are arranged to same guests at the closest point to their hotel
- · Guests are requested to be ready at the reception desk of their hotel.
- · For pick-ups from hotels outside Beirut, please refer to our office to provide you with our special prices
- \* Tips for guide and driver are not included

#### Private Tours

- Prices of private tours include:
- Car rental, Driver services & Fuel expenses Insurance Limited mileage per day (150 Km) / 8 hrs rental - VAT (currently at 11%)
- · Prices are valid within Lebanon only

#### IMPORTANT TO NOTE

- The National Museum of Beirut. The Gibran Museum in Bcharre and The Beiteddine Palace are closed on Mondays & National Holidays
- · The Jeita Grottoes are closed on Mondays. Besides the grottoes are closed for 20 days between January & February for maintenance
- The Ksara Caves are closed on National Holidays & on Sundays of January & February

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· The souks in Sidon, Tyr & Tripoli are closed on Fridays and National Holidays



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