



STAR COLLECTOR: PERSIAN GULF & ARABIAN SEAS CRUISE

Take a deep dive into the Persian Gulf on this 18-day itinerary, visiting five out of six of the world's richest countries and getting to know their similarities and differences. Visit dazzling and dynamic cities like Dubai, Doha, Abu Dhabi, and Jeddah with their futuristic architecture and cultural treasures. With two overnight stays you can take in Abu Dhabi's Louvre and Doha's sandcastle-shaped Museum of Islamic Art. Get to know the many faces of the UAE from Ras Al Khaima's locked-in-time pearling village to Sir Bani Yas island where oryx and other endangered Arabian wildlife live. Discover the friendly and relaxed atmosphere of Bahrain and Oman, favorites with expats. Marvel at natural wonders from Oman's magnificent fjords to Saudi Arabia's UNESCO site of Al Ahsa, the largest oasis in the world. Follow the historic Trail of Frankincense, walk scenic seaside corniches, become a fan of shawarma. And search for superlatives to describe a host of extraordinary accomplishments – the world's tallest building, the world's tallest fountain, the world's largest manmade archipelago.



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Day 1 Dubai, UAE

In Dubai, sports run the gamut from camel races in the desert to an indoor ski mountain. Architecture spans Bedouin tents and Arabian wind towers to the world's tallest building, the Burj Khalifa. Archipelagos miraculously appear in the image of palm trees and planets. It's a lot to take in. By all means, add some extra days here to get your head around this amazing city that seems to be all things to all people.

Day 2 Sir Bani Yas, UAE

Sir Bani Yas Island is famous for its ancient archaeological sites, geological features and man-made attractions, dominated by the Arabian Wildlife Park, a savannah-like reserve for over



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16,000 animals including roaming giraffes, cheetahs and gazelles. See flocks of flamingos on the white-sand beaches and the ruins of an ancient Christian monastery. They operate the region's first wind turbine and work to protect their delicate ecosystem.

Days 3 - 4 Doha, Qatar

The sparkling city of Doha boasts gleaming skyscrapers and mosques with intricate carvings, extravagant shopping malls and a 4-mile Corniche. Lose yourself in narrow alleyways of the oldest souk in Qatar amidst the raucous noise of bartering. Find the Museum of Islamic Art, resembling a giant sandcastle and appreciate the beauty of the sea and coastline.

Day 5 Damman, Saudi Arabia

This modern metropolis is known for its airy waterfronts, sandy beaches, and as a popular destination for arts, sports and entertainment. Also heralded for international cuisines and a striking contrast of historic and modern architecture. It is also the gateway to Al Ahsa, a UNESCO site that is one of the world's largest natural oases and an intricate cave system.

Day 6 Manama, Bahrain

Manama is best known as a trade, financial, and commercial center; and the seat of numerous banks. The lovely skyline is decorated with modern glass and steel spires. Manama has a thriving nightlife with popular bars and clubs and although an Islamic country, alcohol is legal there. A visit to the famous Bab el-Bahrain Souk will yield narrow stalls with a wide variety of perfumes, spices and gold.

Days 7 - 8 Abu Dhabi, UAE

The capital of the United Arab Emirates sits off the mainland on an island in the Persian Gulf and connects to the mainland by a short bridge. It is one of the nation's two most prosperous emirates because of its rich oil fields, both onshore and in the Persian Gulf discovered in 1958, and one of the world's highest per capita incomes. Among the many sites to see are Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque Center, Louvre Abu Dhabi Art Museum, Emirates Palace, The Corniche and Yaz Mall.

Day 9 Ras Al Khaimah, UAE

The most northerly of the seven Emirates, Ras Al Khaimah (RAK City) is known for its slower pace, rich culture and beautiful beaches. Through the centuries RAK City was an important trading post known for magnificent pearls. Sites to see here include the National Museum with a comprehensive collection of local artifacts and the Al Jazirah Al Hamra, an intact traditional pearling village abandoned in the mid-20th century.

Day 10 Fujairah, UAE

Fujairah is known for sparkling, uncrowded beaches, considered one of the best places for SCUBA diving. The nearby Hajar Mountains Wadis offer scenic hiking. Sites to see include the Al-Bidayah Mosque, Fujairah Fort, Bithnah Fort and Sheikh Zayed Mosque. Please note: Wear flat, closed-toe shoes and sunscreen and bring a shawl, cardigan or light jacket to cover up due to differences in temperature/ climate, and local currency. Guests are required to bring the original passport for this tour as it crosses the border between UAE and Oman, which will require some time.

Day 11 Muscat, Oman

In a land steeped with history, Muscat, Oman's port capital, is a mix of upscale shopping malls, modern high-rises and 16th



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century Al Jalali and Mirani, Portuguese forts. The city has numerous mosques including modern, marble-clad Sultan Qaboos Grand Mosque, with its 164 foot (50m) dome and prodigious Persian carpet, and that can accommodate 20,000 people. Wander the lively fish market and busy Mutrah Souk. There are plenty of soft sand beaches leading to pristine Gulf of Oman water full of fish and turtles.

Days 12 - 17 At Sea

Day 18 Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

Jeddah is considered the commercial center of Saudi Arabia with a vibrant blend of modernity and history. Enjoy the modern landmarks of the city, stroll along the waterfront corniche, admire the world's tallest fountain and walk the streets of Al Balad, Jeddah's UNESCO World Heritage Site, a Hijazi-style old town.

Please Note:

Itineraries are subject to change.



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