



Discover the Arabic Traditions and the Heritage of the Emirates

Why do local women wear black and men white? What does the traditional local food taste like? And why do locals serve with their right hand instead of their left?

Have all these questions answered at Sahary Gate, and so much more

Step in and find out

Discover the Emirates

Sit down and relax at Sahary Gate, and take a step back to the slow-paced traditional life of the local people of the Emirates, behind the skyscrapers and the modern life. Engage in dynamic discussions about your host country with your Sahary host, and be encouraged to ask any questions you may have - whether it be on the people of the Emirates, its heritage, their religion of Islam, or the exciting changes it has experienced in the past and today, culturally as well as on a global scale. Enjoy breakfast or lunch, while you discover the UAE not many people know about. Explore the traditions of drinking the Arabic coffee, the burning of Bakhour - a delightful Arabian incense - and passing around the fragrant oriental perfumes at the end of a meal, and leave having discovered the real side of the Emirates, at Sahary Gate.

Cultural Awareness

Attend an interactive presentation with pictures and a vivid commentary on the history and background of the UAE; where you don't just get to watch and listen, but where your Sahary host will allow you to see, feel, touch and taste aspects of the UAE culture in our authentic majlis. Whether it be through open dialogue between you and your host; by trying on the traditional clothes, learning how the locals perfume themselves daily with Bakhour, or other charming traditions of the region, become culturally aware. Ask questions, and you will find out. Enjoy fragrant coffee served with sweet local dates, as your host guides you through the proper local way of serving and drinking traditional coffee. Enhance your senses in the culture of the Emirates, and leave Sahary Gate aware of the culture that defines the people of this desert land.

Traditional Activities

Walk through the airy courtyard into the cool rooms of our windtower house, and you will come across beautiful traditional arts and crafts, as well as the varied exciting work of contemporary locally-based artists and photographers. Meet local artists executing their arts and handicraft; and watch as a calligrapher works on pages of beautiful flowing Arabic script. Browse our giftshop, and revel in the informal, relaxed atmosphere where your Sahary Gate hosts make you feel more like family than guests. Enjoy a coffee break at the Art Cafe with local dates, where the decorum of drinking Arabic coffee the local way will be explained to you, and get the opportunity to ask all the questions you have in mind. Enjoy the Sahary Gate Art experience - and leave feeling refreshed and delighted.

Experience	Timings	Days	Price
Discover the Emirates (w/breakfast)	10:30am - 12:00pm	Sat Mon	95 AED
Discover the Emirates (w/lunch)	01:00pm - 02:30pm	Sun Wed	115 AED
Cultural Awareness (w/coffee)	02:30pm - 04:00pm	Sat Mon Tues Fri*	70 AED
Traditional Activities (w/coffee)	11:30am - 01:00pm	Thu	85 A€D

Schedule, activities, and prices may be subject to change. Walk in anytime, but book in advance to ensure space. Each Sahary Gate Experience is available in English, French, or Spanish. Children get a 50% discount.

* Please note the timings for the Cultural Awareness Experience on Friday are from 10:30am - 01:00pm.



For bookings or more information, please contact us:

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