NEW YEAR'S IN DUBAI: 2023

OVERVIEW - DECEMBER 28, 2022 THROUGH JANUARY 2, 2023



Even when it's not a special occasion, driving through Dubai with its spectacular one-of-a-kind architecture is like driving through a living, breathing, open air museum.

Dubai does everything BIG!

And, celebrating the New Year is no exception.

Dubai hosts one of the largest New Year's celebrations on the planet. And, the Burj Khalifa fireworks are one of the most televised New Year's Eve events in the world.

With luxurious dining options, crazy parties, and other-worldly architecture, Dubai is the place to be on New Year's Eve.

So, don't miss out on this tour.

YOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- VIP Airport Meet and Greet assistance at airport in Dubai
- Arrival and departure transfers
- 6 days and 5 nights in the United Arab Emirates
- 8 meals: 5 breakfasts, 1 Lunch and 2 dinners
 - Hotel Breakfast Daily
 - o Half-day Dubai Old City Tour with Cultural Center Lunch
 - o Half-day Dubai New City Tour with lunch on your own
 - o Full day Abu Dhabi City Tour with lunch on your own
 - o 4×4 Desert Safari with BBQ Dinner
 - New Year's Eve Fireworks Dinner Dhow Cruise.
- Entrance to Louvre Museum
- Local VAT included

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- 2 Half-day Dubai City Tours
- 4x4 Desert Safari with BBQ Dinner
- Emirati Cultural Center Lunch
- Full day Abu Dhabi City Tour with lunch on your own
- New Year's Eve Dhow Fireworks Dinner Cruise



DAY BY DAY ITINERARY



DAY 1 - DECEMBER 28, 2022 | ARRIVAL - DUBAI

Included Meals: None

Upon arrival at Dubai International Airport, proceed to the luggage claim area to pick up checked bags.

Our group tour representative will meet you beyond the luggage claim area towards the exit.

The representatives will provide you with a welcome packet and transfer to your hotel in an air-conditioned vehicle for check-in.

The remainder of this day you are at leisure to relax and/or explore.

DAY 2 – DECEMBER 29, 2022 | DUBAI

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

This morning we will set out after breakfast for a traditional tour of Dubai.

We'll explore the heritage sites of Bastakiya and the 225-year-old Fort of Al Fahidi that houses the Dubai Museum. A traditional Abra boat will then take us sailing across the Dubai Creek.

Afterwards, we'll explore the Dubai Gold & Spice Souks where you can pick up souvenirs if you'd like or just marvel at the unique offerings and atmosphere.

We continue our Dubai Half Day City Tour with a photo stop next to The Jumeirah Mosque, it's one of many jewels of the UAE.

After that we'll stop for pictures at the Burj Al Arab, the iconic face of Dubai that has established standards of service like no other.

Next we'll enjoy traditional Emirati cuisine and conversation in an interactive cultural experience. Lunch is hosted by Emirati presenters inside the traditional houses of Sheikh Mohammed Centre for Cultural Understanding, located in one of Dubai's oldest communities, Al Fahidi Historical Neighborhood.

After lunch we'll return to the hotel to relax. Dinner tonight is on your own.

DAY 3 – DECEMBER 30, 2022 | DUBAI

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Breakfast at hotel. The morning is at your leisure to explore the city or nearby Dubai Mall.

In the afternoon, enjoy a thrilling safari in a 4x4 vehicle and go to some of the most amazing sand dunes in the UAE. A unique cultural experience with lots of adventure, the Desert Safari with BBQ Dinner will be an unforgettable evening in a stunning desert landscape setting.

We'll experience dune bashing on some of the highest sand dunes in the region, in a 4x4 air-conditioned vehicle.

There will be an opportunity to enjoy activities including trying on local attire, getting basic henna tattoo designs, sandboarding, and camel photo opportunities at the authentic Bedouin campsite with refreshments.

Experience breathtaking views of the desert sun, then a delicious barbecue dinner under the stars. This evening's entertainment includes an enchanting belly dancer and a mesmerizing Tannoura dance performance.

Optional Tours / tickets

- Burj Khalifa entry to floor 124 & 125 cost US \$40 person
- Jet Ski Dubai for 20 minutes cost US \$80 person without transfers
- Yellow Boat for 60 minutes cost US \$45 person without transfers
- Coffee / tea at Emirates Palace Abu Dhabi US \$40 person

DAY 4 – DECEMBER 31, 2022 | DUBAI

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

After breakfast, 09:00 AM we will be accompanied by a tour guide for a fabulous day discovering the modern Megastructures of Dubai with its amazing skyline and beautiful beaches. Our Modern Dubai City Tour will take us on a magical journey to some of the most iconic landmarks in the city.

We'll visit the world's tallest building and the largest mall to ever exist that houses one of the biggest aquariums in the world, this wonderful tour is meant to create memories that you will cherish forever.

We'll have some free time in Dubai Mall and then return to the hotel to relax and get ready for a magical evening.

Late afternoon we'll be off to our memorable dinner with a chance to see the Dubai Marina and Palm Jumeirah and Fireworks during the night.

Enjoy dinner and a show onboard our Dhow cruise. The Dhows have been the traditional ships used in the UAE for many centuries and tonight you have the chance to board one of these vessels and enjoy a sumptuous buffet while you quietly cruise by the landmarks all lit up for the evening.

Let's say goodbye to 2022 together! Tonight's dinner will be an evening to remember: buffet dinner with soft drinks, entertainment & desserts. After dinner, we will view the amazing fireworks show. Alcoholic beverages are available to purchase.

DAY 5 – JANUARY 1, 2023 | DUBAI

Included Meals: Breakfast

After breakfast as the hotel, we'll head to Abu Dhabi.

Explore the wonders of the capital of the United Arab Emirates and discover how this majestic Emirati city artfully blends the ancient past with the modern present.

This Abu Dhabi City Tour is an introductory excursion to the distinctly Arabian sister city of Dubai.

From one of the world's largest mosques to the wonderful Corniche, there is a lot to take in within this fascinating city of Abu Dhabi.

Highlights:

- Visit the beautiful architectural wonder Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque, one of the biggest mosques in the world
- A stop at the Corniche, the impressive eight-kilometer stretch of perfectly manicured waterfront with children's play area, beach, cafés, and restaurants
- Visit the Heritage Village, specifically designed to continually remind the younger Emiratis of their rich and colorful past
- Visit Abu Dhabi Marina Mall, home to hundreds of luxury shops as well as souvenir stores where you can pick up mementos of your day out in the capital
- Visit Louvre Museum Abu Dhabi
- Photo Stop at Emirates Palace from Outside

DAY 6 | DEPARTURE

Included Meals: Breakfast

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before your transfer departs for the airport to meet your return flight.

NOTES:

- While the itinerary is typically executed as presented, on occasion alterations may become necessary, or desirable. You will be notified on the first day of the tour of any schedule or itinerary changes.
- 2. Rates are based on double occupancy. A single supplement fee of \$899 applies.
- 3. Rates are displayed in US dollars and are subject to change prior to deposit.
- 4. Passports, Visas and Inoculations are the responsibility of the passenger.
- 5. The following expenses are **not included** in the tour price:
 - Flights
 - Travel Insurance
 - Tourism Dirham Fee Billed directly to clients at local hotel: \$5/night
 - Any items not specified as included in itinerary
 - Any Meals not specified as included on itinerary
 - Optional tours and upgrades
 - Tips and porterage

PAYMENT OPTIONS

- 1. At the time of your initial deposit you may set up an automatic monthly payment plan with our agency debited the 15th of each month. (There is a one-time \$60 payment plan service charge for this trip only.)
- 2. You can also make the initial deposit and authorize Enlighten Excursions to make the final payment on September 15, 2022.
- 3. If you prefer not to have automatic debits, after making your initial deposit by credit or debit card, you can pay monthly via ZELLE. Payments go to Deirdre Swinson, DC Explorers at the email address ds@enextravel.com.