

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES ABU DHABI

ABU DHABI IS THE CAPITAL CITY OF THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (UAE) AND IS KNOWN FOR ITS MODERN ARCHITECTURE, LUXURIOUS HOTELS, AND VIBRANT CULTURAL SCENE.

WITH ITS NATURAL BEAUTY, ROLLING DESERT LANDSCAPES AND PRISTINE COASTLINES, IT HAS BECOME AN EXCITING DESTINATION FOR TRAVELLERS SEEKING CULTURE, LUXURY AND A MEMORABLE EXPERIENCE.

Places to stay >

1. Emirates Palace

<https://www.mandarinoriental.com/en/abu-dhabi/emirates-palace>

One of the most iconic hotels in Abu Dhabi, Emirates Palace is a true symbol of luxury. It features lavish Arabian-style architecture, opulent interiors, and a private beach.

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2. Shangri-La Qaryat Al Beri

<https://www.shangri-la.com/en/abudhabi/shangrila/>

Offering a luxurious and tranquil retreat for guests, with its stunning Arabian-inspired architecture, private beach and exceptional dining options.

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3. Aloft

<https://www.marriott.com/en-gb/hotels/travel/auhn1-aloft-abu-dhabi/>

Stylish and contemporary hotel, conveniently located in the centre of town and close to many popular tourist attractions. It offers all the modern comforts at a modest price.

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Things to do >

1. Louvre

<https://www.louvreabudhabi.ae>

Explore the Louvre, an art and civilization museum that houses a diverse collection of artworks from around the world.

The museum's unique architecture and stunning exhibitions make it a must-visit.

2. Qasr Al Watan, the Presidential Palace

<https://www.qasralwatan.ae>

Visit Qasr Al Watan, the Presidential Palace, to explore the stunning architecture and learn about the UAE's governance and heritage. Take a guided tour to discover the palace's grand halls, exhibitions, and beautiful gardens.

3. Desert Safari

<https://www.abudhabi-desert-safari.com>

Experience the thrill of a desert safari. Take a thrilling dune bashing ride, try sandboarding, ride a camel, and enjoy a traditional BBQ dinner under the stars.

Places to eat >

1. BBQ Al Qasr

<https://www.mandarinoriental.com/en/abu-dhabi/emirates-palace/dine/bbq-al-qasr>

Situated at the Emirates Palace, enjoy an evening of casual dining in a private sea front Gazebo, voted most romantic restaurant in Abu Dhabi.

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2. Penelope's

<https://www.penelopes.ae>

Situated in Yas Marina, this super cool Jazz bar and Brasserie, oozes class and takes diners back to the glamour of the jazz age French riviera. Enjoy a classic menu, bespoke crafted cocktails and stunning views of the Arabian gulf.

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3. Beach House

<https://www.hyattrestaurants.com/en/dining/uae/abudhabi/mediterranean-restaurant-in-saadiyat-island-beach-house>

Beachfront restaurant, offering a relaxed and casual atmosphere by the sea, serving a menu of Mediterranean-inspired dishes.

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Nightlife >

1. Azura Panoramic Lounge

<https://www.azuraabudhabi.com>

Located at the St Regis Hotel, this rooftop bar offers stunning panoramic views of the city skyline and Arabian gulf.

Enjoy a cocktail out on the terrace in this vibrant atmosphere.

2. Dhow Dinner Cruise

<https://www.abudhabidhowcruise.com>

Embark on a dinner cruise aboard a traditional dhow vessel. Soak up the stunning views of Abu Dhabi at night whilst enjoying a meal in this unique setting.

3. Yas Mall

<https://www.yasmall.ae>

A popular shopping destination that stays open late into the night. You can explore a wide range of retail outlets, enjoy dining at various restaurants, or catch a movie at the cinema.

Getting around >

1. Taxi's

Taxi's are a popular and convenient mode of transportation in Abu Dhabi. You can easily find taxis throughout the city, either by hailing them on the street or booking through ride-hailing apps like Uber or Careem.

2. Public Ferries

Abu Dhabi's waterfront location allows for public ferry services. The ferry system connects various destinations, including Yas Island and Saadiyat Island. It's a scenic and enjoyable way to travel, especially for tourists.

3. Buses

Abu Dhabi has an extensive bus network, they cover various routes across the city and are an economical way to get around. You can check the bus schedules and routes on the DoT's official website or through their smartphone app, "Darbi."