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### 1. Geographical location

Amman is the capital of Jordan. It is located on the northern-central part of Jordan. The average elevation is around 747 meters above the sea level. The city is spread over 1,680 kilometers square (650 sq. mi). The city is divided into 12 administrative divisions.



**Index****2. Neighbouring cities/countries**

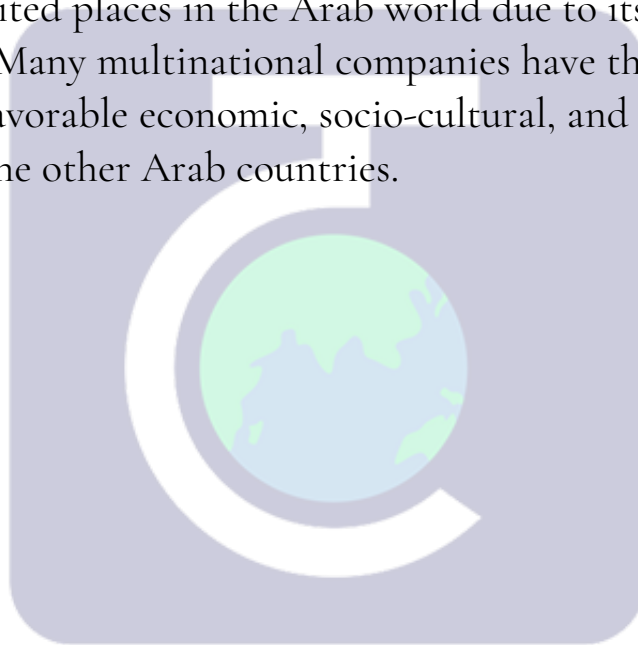
There Are Nine Major Cities Nearest To Amman. Three Are From Jordan While Five Are From Neighboring Country Of Israel And One City Is From Palestine. Rusifa Is The Nearest City, 14km From Amman. Az-Zarqa Is 23km North East Of Amman. Israel's City Jerusalem Is 69km Away From Amman. Irbiid, A City Still In Jordan Is 70 Km Away. 91 Km Away From Amman Is Hebron In Palestine Territories. Israel's Capital Tel Aviv Is Around 111 Km From Amman.



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### 3. Significance

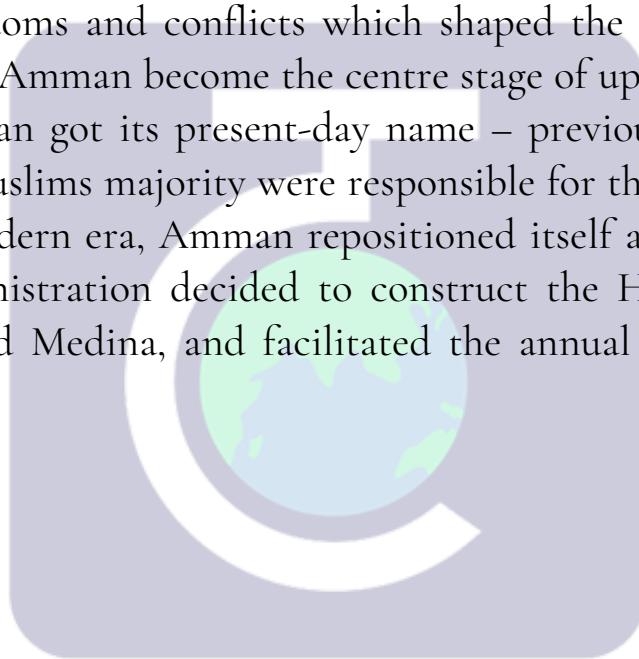
Being a capital city, Amman has become the hub of politics, economy, and culture in Jordan. The city is very liberal despite being in an Islamic country. Some of the earliest human settlements were established here in the Neolithic Period. History and culture is intertwined in this city as one part of the city has great historic sites while the other has a more modern and outgoing character. It is one of the most visited places in the Arab world due to its liberal attitudes and westernized culture. Many multinational companies have their regional offices in Amman because of favorable economic, socio-cultural, and labor environment as opposed to some of the other Arab countries.



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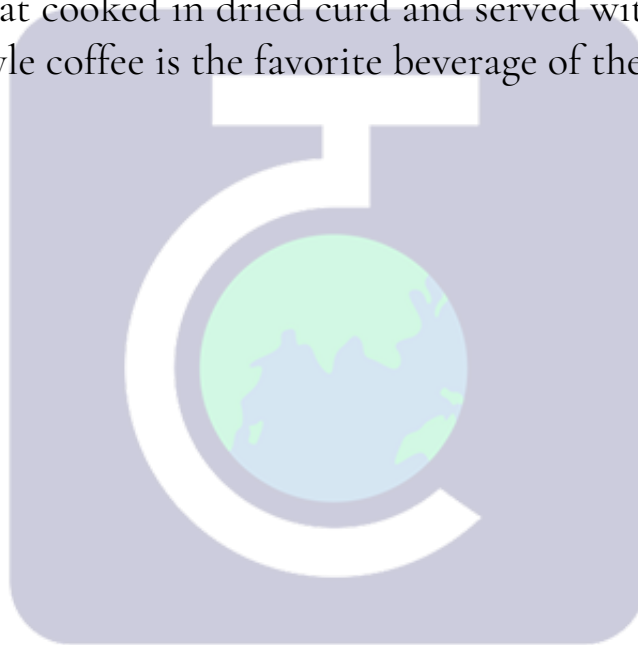
### 4. History

The city of Amman has its history timeline spread across four periods – ancient, classical, Islamic and Modern. One of the first sites of Amman is believed to be in existence since 7250 BC. Amman was a pivotal trade route thanks to the abundance of natural resources - sandstone and limestone. The classical period was dominated by the events involving the Arabs, Romans and Greeks. There were different kingdoms and conflicts which shaped the era at the time. The Islamic period made Amman become the centre stage of upheavals, and it was at this time that Amman got its present-day name – previously it was known as Philadelphia. The Muslims majority were responsible for the rechristening. Fast-forward into the modern era, Amman repositioned itself as a trading hub after The Ottoman administration decided to construct the Hejaz Railway, which linked Damascus and Medina, and facilitated the annual Hajj pilgrimage and trade.



## 5. Cultural identity

Amman is known as the cultural centerpiece of Jordan as it is so culturally diverse. It is worth praise that once a sleepy-town Amman has transformed as one of the key cities of the Arab world. Arabic is the national language, however English is widely used. The standard of living in Amman is quite high. The local people here relish the local cuisine and the national main dish is called 'Mansaf' which is basically meat cooked in dried curd and served with flat bread and rice. Arab and Turkish-style coffee is the favorite beverage of the locals here.



**Index****6. Natural resources**

Amman is a country with limited natural resources and the major ones are phosphates, potash, shale oil, Sulfur, Potash, Manganese, Magnetite, hydropower, gypsum, calcium carbonate, petroleum, molybdenum, deposits of beryl, copper, graphite, mica, lead, pyrite, tin and that of Granite. Small amounts of Natural gas and Crude oil is also present. The species of flora and fauna in Ammam is also limited.





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### 7. Key site seeing places (paid and free)

#### 7.1. Paid

##### 7.1.1. The Royal Automobile Museum

A range of rare vehicles is showcased in the Royal Automobile Museum. From the most antique and unique automobiles to the modern sports cars of Hussein bin Ali's, the museum is a great point of interest for car-lovers.

Address : King Hussein Park P.O. Box 2003 Amman 11953 Jordan

Zipcode : 11953

Location : 31.9841048, 35.82597080000005

Contact : (+962-6) 5411392

Website : <http://www.royalautomuseum.jo/default.aspx?Lang=en>

Entry Fee : Non-residents; Audio Guided JD 5.00, Non-Audio JD 3.00 children below 12 Jd 1.00, Residents; Audio guided Jd 3.00 Non-audio Jd 1.00

Open & Close Timing : Wednesday to Monday 10:00hrs-19:00hrs Tuesday and public holidays closed

Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

##### 7.1.2. Amman Citadel

The Citadel is situated on the most remarkable slope in Amman, Jebel al-Qala'a, which is approximately 850m above sea level since the Bronze Age.

Address : Jebel al-Qala'a Amman, Jordan, 11118

Zipcode : 11118

Location : 31.9543921, 35.934903599999984

Contact : +962 6 463 8795

Website : <http://culture.gov.jo/new/>

Entry Fee : Jd.2

Open & Close Timing : Summer Season – 08:00hrs-19:00hrs; Fridays & Public Holidays – 09:00hrs-19:00hrs Winter Season – 08:00hrs-18:00hrs; Fridays & Public Holidays – 09:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required : 2

Expected Wait Time : 10 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

### 7.1.3. Jordan Archaeological Museum

The Jordan Museum is situated in the downtown zone of Ras al-'Ayn. Displaying the history and social legacy of Jordan the museum serves as an extremely informative place for understanding the country's gripping history and culture.

Address : Ras Al-Ayn Area – Next to Greater Amman Municipality Building (Ali bin Abi Taleb Street), 11118

Zipcode : 11118

Location : 31.9541656, 35.9343566

Contact : +962-6-4629317

Website : <http://jordanmuseum.jo/en>

Entry Fee : Jd 3

Open & Close Timing : Sundays, Mondays, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, 10:00hrs-14:00hrs Tuesday and Friday closed

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

### 7.1.4. Qasr al-Kharrana

Situated amidst a parched plain, this thick-walled desert castle is one of the most photogenic of all the abandon manors.

Address : Amman Governorate, Jordan

Location : 31.7288696, 36.46285139999998

Entry Fee : Jd 3

Open & Close Timing : May to September, Daily- 08:00hrs to 18:00hrs; October to April Daily- 08:00hrs to 16:00hrs

Time Required : 0.75

Expected Wait Time : 10 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

### 7.1.5. The Children's Museum

The Children's Museum in Jordan spreads across more than 7,000 sq. meters. The Museum consists of a library and offers more than 150 indoor and open-air shows, along with a Tinker lab and craftsmanship studio.

Address : King Hussein Park (next to the Medical City off the King Abdullah II

Street), Amman 11831, Jordan

Zipcode : 11831

Location : 31.9847118, 35.825439400000005

Contact : + 962 6 541 1479

Website : <http://www.cmj.jo/>

Entry Fee : Individuals – Jd 3 Groups (10+) – Jd 2 Non-member private schools – Jd 2

Open & Close Timing : Sundays, Mondays, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday 11:00hrs to 14:00hrs Tuesday and Friday closed

Time Required : 3

Buy Ticket : No

### 7.1.6. Jordan National Gallery of Fine Arts

Small, yet noteworthy, this exhibition is a great place to appreciate contemporary Jordanian paintings, models and earthenware. Remodelled in 2005, the alluring space highlights contemporary workmanship from around the Middle East and the more prominent Muslim world.

Address : Hosni Fareez St, Jebel Weibdeh Amman, Jordan, 11183

Zipcode : 11183

Location : 31.9585696, 35.914764600000001

Contact : +(962 6) 463 0128

Website : <http://www.nationalgallery.org/>

Entry Fee : JD 5

Open & Close Timing : Summer Season - April to August 09:00hrs-19:00hrs; Winter Season - September to March: 09:00hrs-17:00hrs; Closed on Tuesdays and Fridays

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

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### 7.2. Free

#### 7.2.1. King Abdullah I Mosque

Finished in 1989 by the late King Hussein to commemorate his grandfather, this blue-domed mosque can accommodate up to 7000 admirers and an additional 3000 in the patio.

Address : Suleiman al-Nabulsi St, Jebel Weibdeh Amman, Jordan, 11118

Zipcode : 11118

Location : 31.9611923, 35.9128475

Contact : +962 6 5672155

Open & Close Timing : 08:00hrs-11:00hrs and 12.30hrs-14:00hrs Saturday-Thursday

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.2. Roman Amphitheater

This sublimely re-established theatre is the most evident and noteworthy leftover of Roman Philadelphia, with a seating capacity of 6000.

Address : Old Town, Amman, Jordan, 11844

Zipcode : 11844

Location : 31.9516649, 35.93935750000003

Contact : +962 6 5672155

Open & Close Timing : Winter Season – October-March - Saturday-Thursday 08:00hrs-16:00hrs; Friday – 09:00hrs-16:00hrs; Summer Season – April-September – 08:00hrs-19:00hrs

Time Required : 2.5

Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.3. Wakalat Street

Wakalat Street is a road filled with western stores selling garments and furniture. This road has an assortment of universal brand names you can choose from.

Address : Wakalat Street, Amman, Jordan, 11181

Zipcode : 11181

Location : 31.957063199999999, 35.86071900000002

Open & Close Timing : Daily Open 24 hours

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.4. Mango House

The Mango House is a building in Amman, Jordan. The house overlooks Jabal Akhddar on the opposite side of the valley, which is downtown Amman.

Address : mango street Amman, Jordan, 11195

Zipcode : 11195

Location : 31.9493754, 35.931712800000014

Open & Close Timing : Daily Open 24 hours

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.5. Rainbow Street

The Jebel Amman promenade offers a fancy variety bistros and eateries. There are plenty of shops on this crowded street, which will keep you company at any time of the day.

Address : Abu Bakar Al Saddesk Street Amman Jordan, 11181

Zipcode : 11181

Location : 31.9491847, 35.92746999999997

Open & Close Timing : Daily Open 24 hours

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.6. Souk Jara

As one of the most popular flea markets in the city, one can find a plethora of traditional items and goods that include local Arab sweets, handicrafts, beaded jewelry, antiques and signature delicacies.

Address : Rainbow St., Amman, Jordan

Location : 31.9497371, 35.93036600000005

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No

### 7.2.7. City Mall

Lined with 160+ stores, this is one of Amman's favourite venues for the mall-hopping crowds. With numerous stores selling a variety of products, from branded to traditional, the City Mall is a paradise for every shopaholic and window-shopper.

Address : Amman, Jordan

Location : 31.98057940000001, 35.83790650000003

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No

### 7.2.8. Mecca Mall

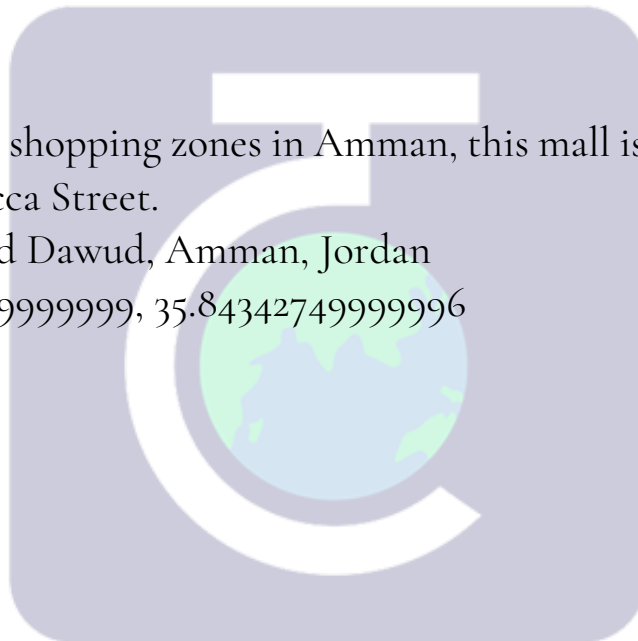
One of the must-visit shopping zones in Amman, this mall is named after the area it is located on – Mecca Street.

Address : Abdullah ad Dawud, Amman, Jordan

Location : 31.97742869999999, 35.84342749999996

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No



## 8. Key sites sports & adventure

Various outdoor adventures await the visitors in Amman such as gliding, micro lighting, para motoring, paragliding, biking, and much more.

- **Paragliding Micro Lightning Para Motoring & Gliding -**

Address : Jordan Direct Tours, 194, Princess Basma Street, Abdoun, Amman, Jordan, P.O.Box 831274 Amman 11183

Location : 31.9556322999999,35.8847911999999

Contact No : +962 6 5938 238

Website : <http://www.jdtours.com/>

Open / Close Time : Daily 10:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required : 8

- **Hiking & Biking -**

Address : Jordania Wardi Murjib, dead sea, Wardi Mujib Amman Jordan, 18186

Location : 31.4170300999999,35.8756538999999

Contact No : +962 6 461 6623

Open / Close Time : Daily Open 24 hours

Time Required : 6

## 9. Adventure sports, Local sports, stadiums

Football is a popular game in Amman. Many foreign sports like skateboarding and rugby also have considerable followers in the city. Jordan Rally hosted in Amman is one of the biggest events in the country. The city has some excellent stadiums that include:

- **Amman International Stadium:**

Address : Amman, Jordan, 11131

Location : 31.9851496,35.9028141

Contact No : +962 7 9951 6999

- **King Abdullah II Stadium:**

Address : King Abdullah II Sport City, Amman, Jordan, 11593

Location : 31.9280387,35.95325639999999

Contact No : +962 7 9915 8586



## 10. Spas and relaxation

- **Gaia's Cocoon Spa:**

Address : 20 Shat Al Arab St. 1st Floor, Um Utaina, Amman, 11190

Location : 31.967095,35.87333899999999

Contact No : +962 6 553 5991/3/4

Website : <http://www.gaia-cocoon.com/>

- **Essentials Spa:**

Address : Abdoun Circle Prince Hashim Bin Al Hussein Street, Amman, 11181

Location : 31.9477106,35.89268270000002

Contact No : +962-6-5935555, +962-79-7418227

Website : <http://essentialsamman.com/>

- **Mövenpick Resort & Spa Dead Sea:**

Address : Dead Sea Road, P.O. Box 815538 | 11180 Amman

Location : 31.7176857,35.588355200000024

Contact No : +962 5 356 11 11, Toll Free : +962 80022202

Website : <http://www.movenpick.com/en/middle-east/jordan/amman/resort-dead-sea/overview/>

- **Amber spa:**

Address : 19 Bin Ghazi Street, Hai Al Radwan, Amman, 11118

Location : 31.9515924,35.934112700000014

Contact No : +962777444002 / +962780600222  
Website : <http://www.spaamber.com/>



## 11. Events calendar

### Month

### Events

**Al Balad Music Festival @  
Roman Odeon (mid June)**

**The Balad music provides a great opportunity for visitors to immerse themselves in the rich Jordan's Extensive cultural history. The festival features soloists, bands etc.**

**Arab Film Festival @ Amman  
(late July)**

**The film festival showcases Arab films for an entire week in July. The festival attracts people from all over the world.**

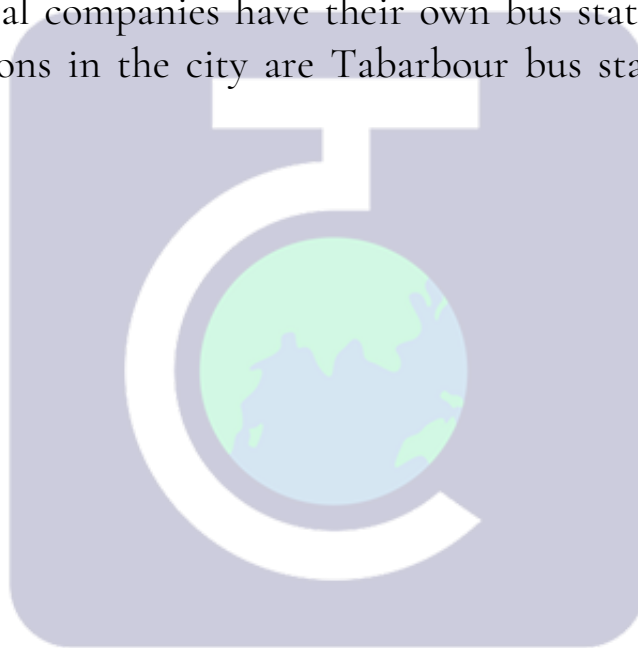
**Index****12. Key local guides and tours**

Amman has many historical and cultural sights and sites that can be explored by various tour programs. A history tour takes you to the ancient sites and structures, museums, and galleries and provides a glimpse into the rich past of the city. Biking tours the best way to explore the city and its attractions. These tours also let the visitors come closer to the local culture and life. Spa tours are the most refreshing and rejuvenating experiences where the tourists visit the natural spas and hammams in Amman for a relaxing bath and massage services.



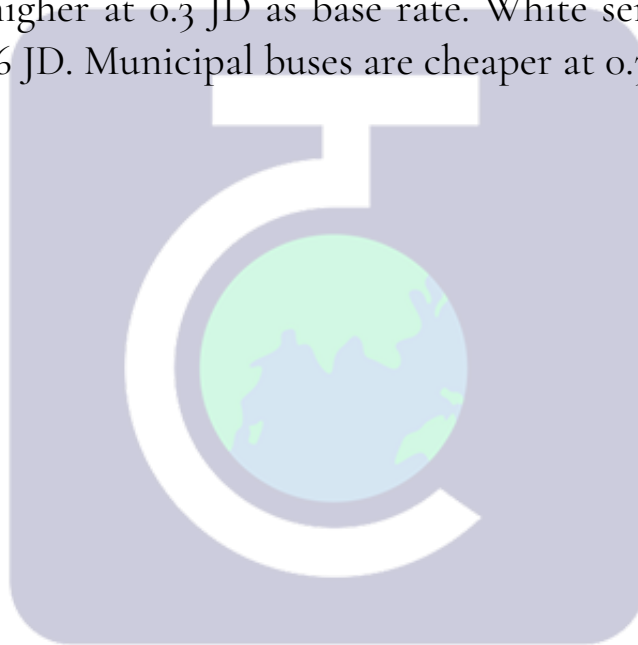
### 13. Transportation hubs

Queen Alia International Airport situated 30 km away from the city center is the main international airport in Amman. Airport shuttle buses, airport taxis, and Rent-A-Car service take passengers to the downtown area. Taxi ride from the airport to Amman city center costs around 20 JD for a 30 minute ride. Airport shuttle buses take about 45-60 minutes to reach the city. The bus fare is 3.25 JD. Bus services by several companies have their own bus stations in Amman. The three main bus stations in the city are Tabarbour bus station and Abdali bus station.



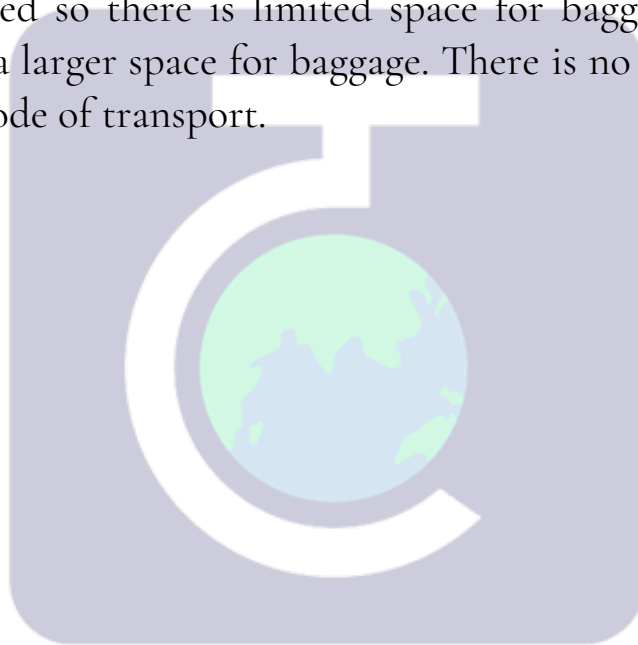
## 14. Transportation cost

Public transport systems such as buses and taxis are the most widely used modes of transport in Amman. Yellow and grey taxis are the most common ones. Yellow taxis are metered and the rates start at 0.25 JD and 0.50 JD for each kilometer. Taxi waiting charge is 5 JD for 1 hour. Trips within Amman come in the range of 3-4JD, and a trip from one end of the city to the other will be under 6 JD. Night charges are slightly higher at 0.3 JD as base rate. White service taxis have a per person rate at about 6 JD. Municipal buses are cheaper at 0.35 JD.



**Index****15. Baggage allowance**

Amman has no metro trains but there are trains operating to neighboring cities. The trains do not have a lot of space for baggage. The main modes of transportation within the city include buses, taxis and car hires. The buses have limited storage facilities. There are two types of taxis: yellow taxi and white taxis. Taxis are inexpensive mode of transportation especially if you have baggage. White taxis are shared so there is limited space for baggage. Yellow taxis are private so they have a larger space for baggage. There is no additional charge for baggage using any mode of transport.



## 16. Restaurant & Nightlife

Amman has quite a number of restaurants that are evenly spread throughout the city.

### Food -

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- **Amman at Falafel Al-Quds:**

Address : Al-Rainbow Street, Amman, Jordan, 11181

Location : 31.9495107,35.926520400

Contact No : +81 742-94-7133

Website : <https://alqudsfalafel.com/en>

Open / Close Time : Saturday-Thursday 08:30hrs-22:00hrs; Friday 15:00hrs-23:00hrs

- **Hashem Restaurant:**

Address : Complex No 6, Mamdouh Al Sarayrah St 6, Amman 11151, Jordan

Location : 31.97511,35.852489999

Contact No : +962 6 585 8101

Open / Close Time : Daly Open 24 hours

- **Shams El Balad Cafe:**

Address : 69 Mu'Ath Bin Jabal Street, Amman, 11181

Location : 31.9508334,35.927090700



Contact No : +962 6 465 1150

Open / Close Time : Daily 08:00hrs-00:00hrs

- **Sufra Restaurant:**

Address : Sufra Restaurant, Al Rainbow St 26, Amman 11181, Jordan

Location : 31.949267,35.9290750000000

Contact No : +962 6 461 1469

Open / Close Time : Daily 12:00hrs-22:00hrs

- **Al Osrah Restaurant:**

Address : Complex No 5, Al Nayrouz St 5, Amman 11185, Jordan

Location : 31.9499043,35.88346320000005

Contact No : +962 6 593 4722

Open / Close Time : Monday to Sunday 10:00hrs-22:00hrs

- **Kan Zaman:**

Address : Airport Road, Yadoudeh, Amman, 11814

Location : 31.84690020000000,35.91290230000000

Contact No : +962 6 412 3838

Website : <http://www.kanzamaanjo.com/>

Open / Close Time : Daily 10:00hrs-22:00hrs

- **Trade Vic's:**

Address : basement, Regency Palace Hotel, Queen Alia Street, 11195

Location : 31.976059999,35.906439999

Contact No : +962-6 560-7000

Website : <http://www.tradervics.com/>

Open / Close Time : Monday–Saturday 11:00hrs to 02:00hrs

- **Grand Palace Lobby Lounge:**

Address : Queen Alya Street, P.O.Box 922 444, 11192, Jordan

Location : 31.9764,35.9062000000

Contact No : + 962 6 569 1131

Website : <http://www.ammangrandpalace.com/>

Open / Close Time : Daily 17:00hrs-02:00hrs

- **Rovers Return:**

Address : Ali nasaou, Al taher st swelfieh, amman Jordan, 11185

Location : 29.5301848,35.0010035999999

Contact No : (06) 465 14582

Open / Close Time : Monday–Saturday 15:00hrs to 01:00hrs

**Index****17. Average meal cost**

At an inexpensive restaurant a normal meal costs 5.00 JOD and that of three-course meal for two people at a mid-range restaurant is available at 31.00 JOD. A combo meal at McDonald's is available at 5.00 JOD. You can have a fresh cappuccino at 3.03 JOD. 11.2 oz small bottle of water is available at 0.27 JOD.



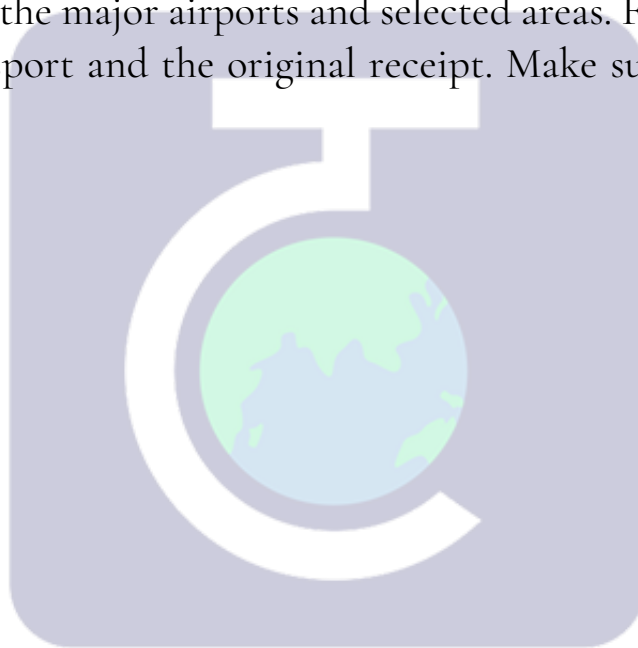
## 18. Shopping

Amman has number of shopping delights to dazzle all kinds of shoppers.



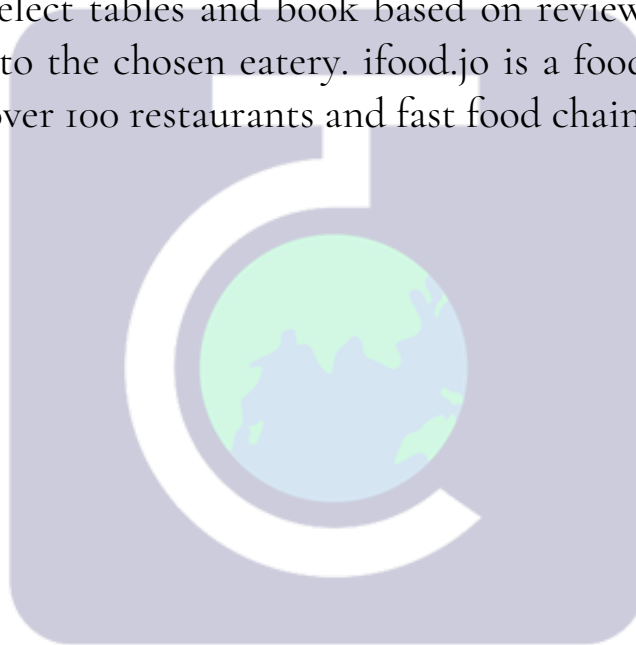
**Index****19. Tourist benefits**

Jordan has a goods and service tax (GST) of 16%. Jordan boasts of having designer stores which sell top-notch goods. Tourists can save a lot from shopping in Jordan because there is tax rebate policy for foreigners. Amman is home to a number of duty free shops. These shops have a sign “Premiere Tax Free” displayed on the doors. Most duty free shops are found within Amman. Tax rebates are given in the custom offices in the major airports and selected areas. For you to get a rebate you must have a passport and the original receipt. Make sure you shop in shops that are duty free.



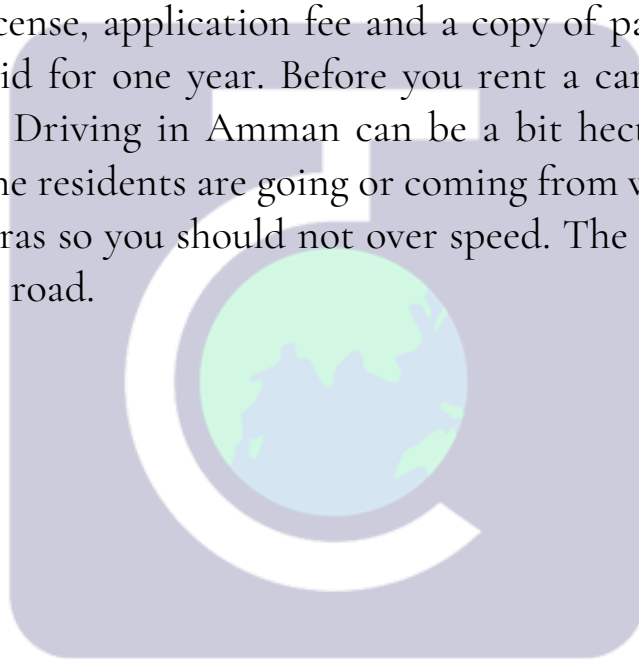
## 20. Essential local apps

Exploring Amman can be made easy with the help of some travel apps that are useful in searching and finding the information you need. Easy is a taxi and private vehicle hailing app that assists the user in finding and booking the best taxi service by comparing prices, ratings of drivers, type of vehicle, etc. Booking App helps in reserving tables at the top restaurants, cafes, lounges, and pubs in Amman. Users can select tables and book based on reviews of menus. The app also gives directions to the chosen eatery. ifood.jo is a food ordering service for home delivery from over 100 restaurants and fast food chains.



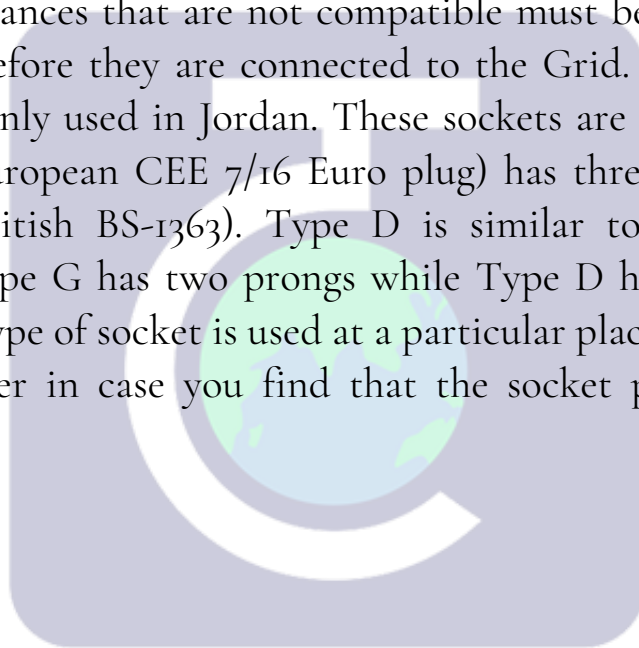
## 21. Driving

For you to legally drive in Jordan, you must have an International Driving Permit and a valid home driving license. For you to get an International driving permit you must have a valid local driving License. The International Driving Permit was adopted in the Geneva Convention in 1949. This international driving permit is given in your home country. Some of the requirements include passport size photos, valid local license, application fee and a copy of passport. International driving permit is valid for one year. Before you rent a car you must provide a valid driving license. Driving in Amman can be a bit hectic especially in peak hours when a lot of the residents are going or coming from work. There are speed guns and speed cameras so you should not over speed. The cars in Amman drive on the left side of the road.



## 22. Travel essentials

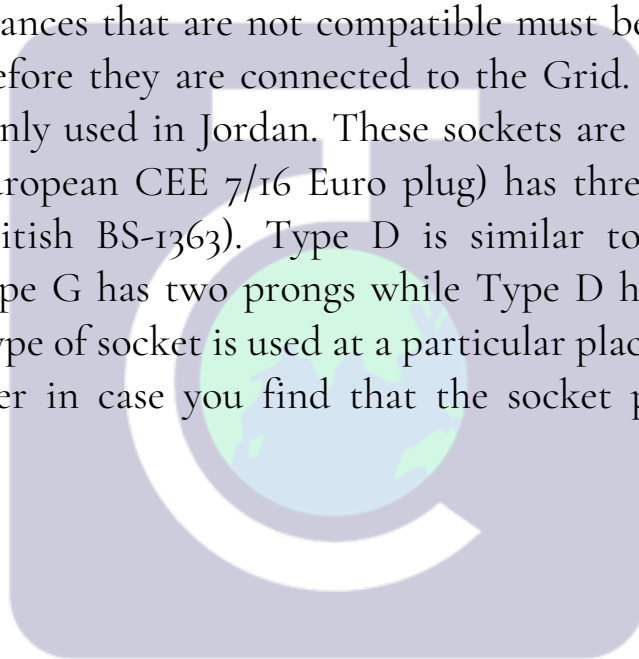
The standard voltage of Amman is 220 volts with a frequency of 50 hertz. Some of the countries that use the same standard of voltage include UK, Kenya, India, Egypt etc. Countries like USA and Canada use 110 - 120 voltage standards. A voltage converter will depend on the standard voltage of your home country. Some electrical appliances have inbuilt voltage converters while others have dual voltages. Those appliances that are not compatible must be connected to a step down transformer before they are connected to the Grid. There three types of sockets most commonly used in Jordan. These sockets are Type C, Type G and Type D. Type G (European CEE 7/16 Euro plug) has three rectangular shaped prongs. Type C (British BS-1363). Type D is similar to Type G the major difference is that Type G has two prongs while Type D has three prongs. It is hard to know what type of socket is used at a particular place, so it is advisable to carry a travel adapter in case you find that the socket plug configuration is different.





## 23. Essential clothes

The standard voltage of Amman is 220 volts with a frequency of 50 hertz. Some of the countries that use the same standard of voltage include UK, Kenya, India, Egypt etc. Countries like USA and Canada use 110 - 120 voltage standards. A voltage converter will depend on the standard voltage of your home country. Some electrical appliances have inbuilt voltage converters while others have dual voltages. Those appliances that are not compatible must be connected to a step down transformer before they are connected to the Grid. There three types of sockets most commonly used in Jordan. These sockets are Type C, Type G and Type D. Type G (European CEE 7/16 Euro plug) has three rectangular shaped prongs. Type C (British BS-1363). Type D is similar to Type G the major difference is that Type G has two prongs while Type D has three prongs. It is hard to know what type of socket is used at a particular place, so it is advisable to carry a travel adapter in case you find that the socket plug configuration is different.



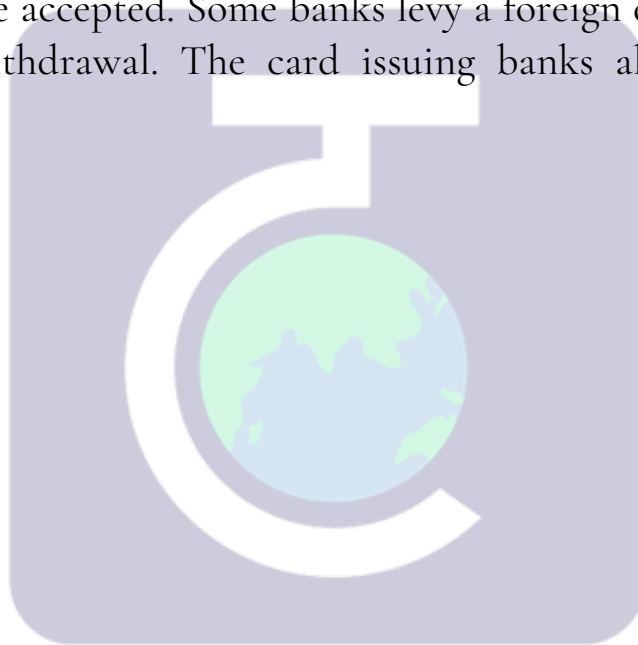
**Index****24. Local currency**

Jordanian dinar is the local currency of Amman. 1 USD = 0.71 Jordanian dinar



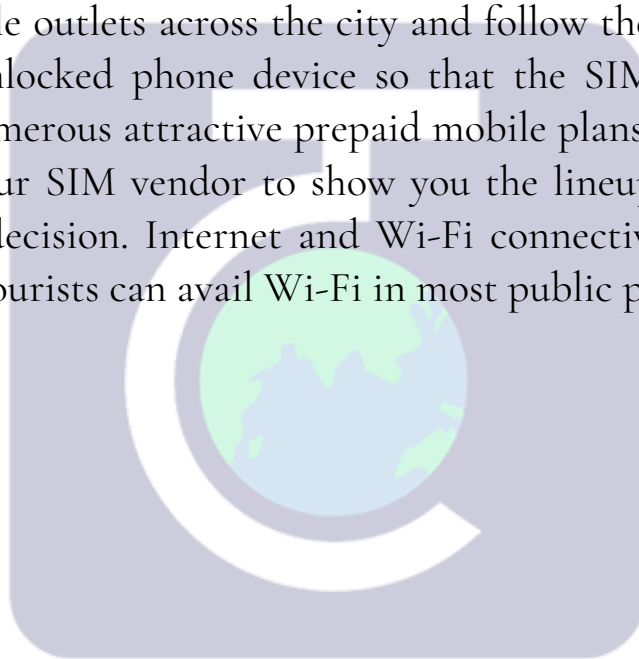
**Index****25. Change vendor's commission, ATM charges**

Foreign currency can be exchange at the airport counters and at the banks and exchange offices located at various parts of the city. Banks offer the best rates. However, there may be an exchange fee of about 0.5%. Exchange offices also may charge a higher commission for the services in the range of 2-4%. ATMs are found almost everywhere. Check for the logos displayed at the ATM to see which of the foreign cash cards are accepted. Some banks levy a foreign exchange commission of 3-5% for each withdrawal. The card issuing banks also charge a fee per transaction.



## 26. Staying connected

Travelers going to Amman have a choice to choose between three telecom service providers – Zain, Orange and Umniah. Each of the three provides different prepaid plans for tourist. A tourist can easily visit their preferred telecom provider's outlet at the International airport and purchase a SIM card after submitting a copy of your passport and valid visa page. Alternatively a tourist can also visit other mobile outlets across the city and follow the same process. Make sure you have an unlocked phone device so that the SIM activation happens sooner. There are numerous attractive prepaid mobile plans on offer for tourists. Make sure to ask your SIM vendor to show you the lineup of plans and offers before you make a decision. Internet and Wi-Fi connectivity is also good and strong in Amman. Tourists can avail Wi-Fi in most public places here.



## 27. Time Zone

Amman follows Jordan Time Zone with UTC + 02:00 hours.



## 28. Languages

Arabic is the main language spoken in Amman. You can also find majority of the people speaking English.



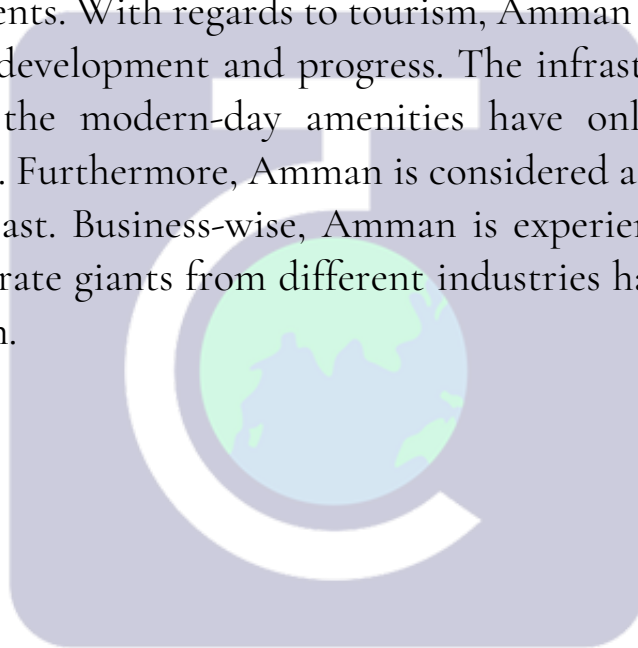
**Index****29. Political Scenario**

The political scenario of Amman is largely stable. The style of governance practiced here is a constitutional hereditary monarchy with a parliamentary government form. The ruling king holds and wields maximum power over the government. As a result, in the last couple of years Amman's progress as a city remains closely linked with the developments of Jordan entirely. Numerous high-end projects and developments have been initiated which has seen Amman's rise being steady on the world map.



### 30. Economic Scenario

Amman's growth is rooted on the progress of its three sectors – banking, tourism and trade. Despite the socio-economic unrest in the Arab World, Amman's banking sector has done well to remain up and steady. Amman's banking sector is solid also because of the fact that it is the base city of the Arab Bank which is the largest financial setups in the Middle East and has 600 branches spread across 30 countries in 5 continents. With regards to tourism, Amman is a fast-rising tourist haven thanks to the development and progress. The infrastructure of the city is fast-improving and the modern-day amenities have only boosted Amman's position in the world. Furthermore, Amman is considered as the medical tourism hub of the Middle East. Business-wise, Amman is experiencing growth as top-notch regional corporate giants from different industries have and still continue to set base in Amman.

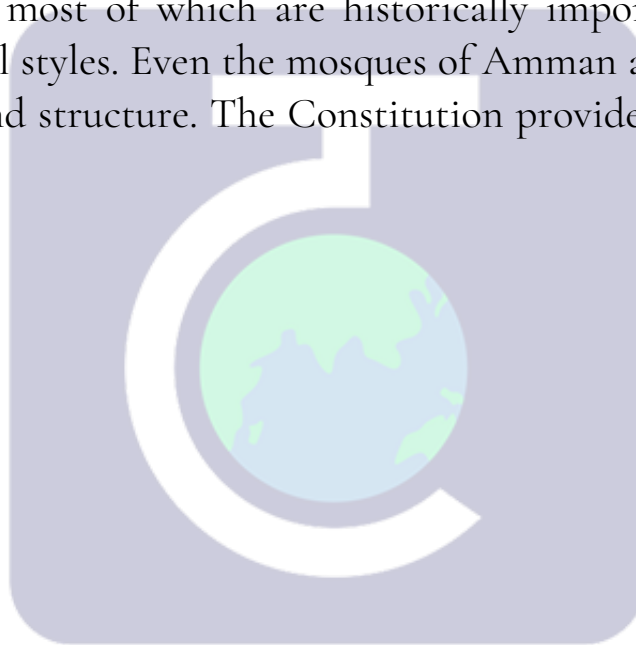




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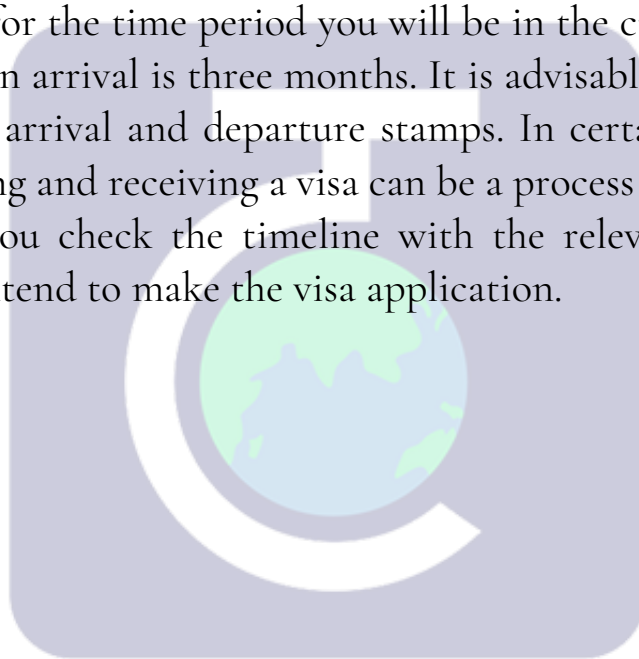
### 31. Religious belief

Islam is the predominant religion with the Sunni Muslims forming the majority. The city is home to numerous mosques. Christianity is the second major religion in Amman. Christians from the rest of Jordan have relocated to Amman. The Christian communities here are some of the oldest in the world. 70 families of Armenian Catholics also reside in the city. A number of churches are found throughout Amman most of which are historically important structures with amazing architectural styles. Even the mosques of Amman are pieces of art when it comes to design and structure. The Constitution provides freedom of religion to every citizen.



## 32. Visa requirements

Tourists and visitors traveling to Amman, Jordan can get their visas on arrival or before they travel to Jordan. Most countries in Europe, Asia, America and Australia can get a visa on arrival in Jordan while most countries of Africa must acquire a visa before they travel. Single visa cost 40 JOD (56 USD), dual visa cost 60 JOD (85 USD) while multiple visa cost 120 JOD (170 USD). The passport should remain valid for the time period you will be in the city and the minimum required validity upon arrival is three months. It is advisable to keep 2 pages free in your passport for arrival and departure stamps. In certain cases, it has been observed that applying and receiving a visa can be a process of 20-30 days. Hence, it is essential that you check the timeline with the relevant authority in the country where you intend to make the visa application.



### 33. Essential vaccination

If you are travelling to Ammam then it is recommended to be vaccinated for Rabies, Hepatitis B, Typhoid, Tetanus, Hepatitis A, Polio Virus, Mumps, Influenza and routine vaccination.



**Index****34. Theft and Safety**

Amman is a very safe city. Crimes towards tourists are not reported. There is a strong presence of police and military at all quarters. Tourists can go out alone even at night.



**Index****35. Embassy/Consulate**

Being a capital city and the largest in Jordan, Amman has over 68 foreign embassies and consulates. Most of these consulates are found at Amman Abdoun, Al-Umawyeen S. For more information, you can check out this website <http://embassy.goabroad.com/embassies-in/jordan>



## 36. Accessibility

There is a great shortage of facilities for the disabled in public places in Amman. The tourist spots and other places are not accessible for the wheelchair bound.



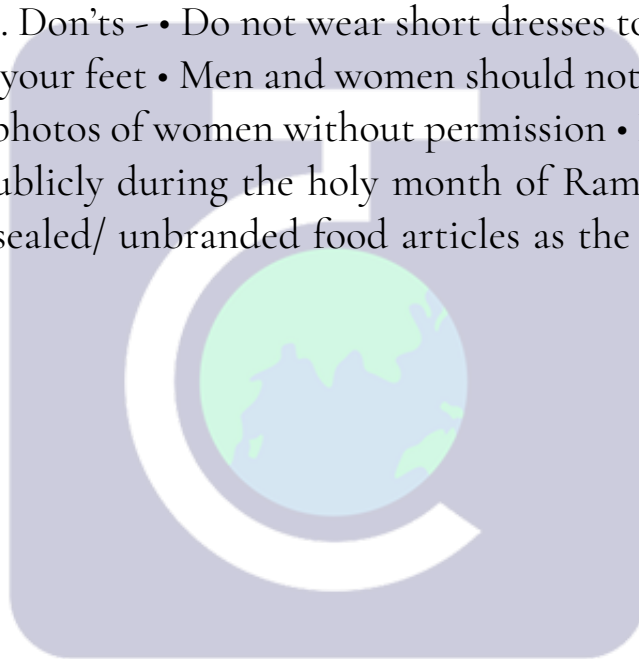
## 37. Emergencies

During emergencies you can dial 192 for Police, 197 for Fire, 199 for Ambulance. You are provided with the top-notch medical services even if you are a tourist. There are hospitals that can help you with travel insurance such as Jordan Hospital.



**Index****38. Do's and Don'ts**

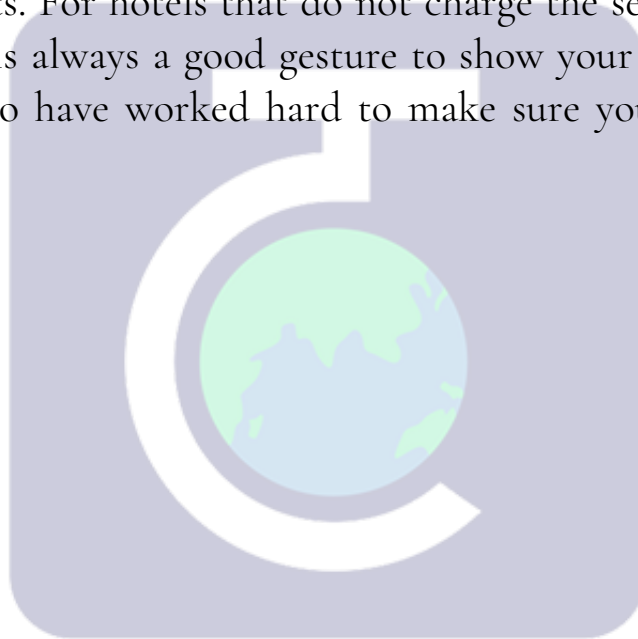
Amman is a fairly generous city when it comes to customs and traditions that the foreign travelers need to observe. Still there are some rules that are applicable to all. Do's - • Women should cover their heads when entering religious places • Dress modestly • Stay away from public display of affection • It is advisable to carry a certified doctor's prescription along with the medicines to ensure hassle free import clearance. Don'ts - • Do not wear short dresses to religious places • Do not show the soles of your feet • Men and women should not wear short dresses in public • Do not take photos of women without permission • Do not consume food or drink or smoke publicly during the holy month of Ramadan • It is advisable that do not carry unsealed/ unbranded food articles as the same may be banned for import.





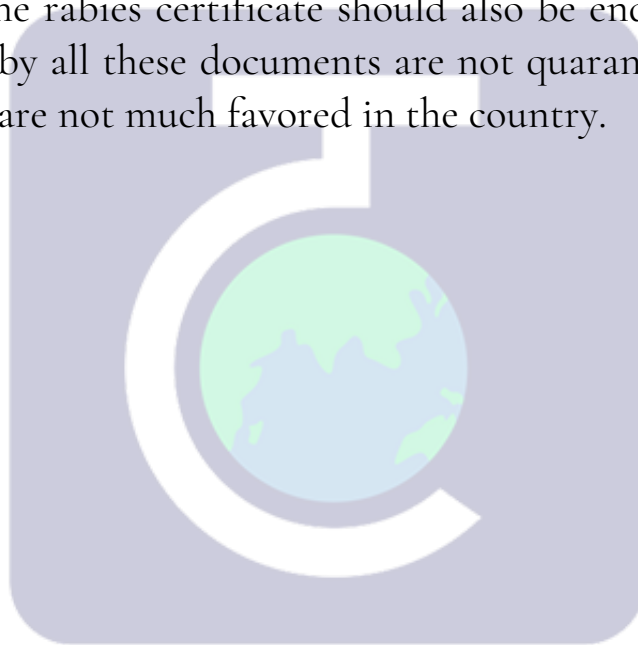
### 39.Tipping basics

Tipping is not a customary culture in Amman. Some people who expect tips are Taxi drivers, tour guides, bellboys but other service providers do not expect a tip for their services. Since tipping is not customary, there are no fixed rates for tips and so tipping entirely depends on you. However most hotels and restaurants do add service charge of 10% to the bill and so it is not a compulsion to tip in those hotels and restaurants. For hotels that do not charge the service fee, a 10% tip is acceptable. Tipping is always a good gesture to show your appreciation to the men and women who have worked hard to make sure your stay in Amman is enjoyable.



**Index****40.Pet info**

Import permits are not required for pets to enter Jordan. The pets must be vaccinated against rabies and other diseases not less than 30 days and not more than 12 months prior to entry into the country. The Veterinary Certificate for Jordan must be filled in by a licensed veterinarian and endorsed by the governing authority in the country of origin responsible for the export and import of animals. A copy of the rabies certificate should also be endorsed. A healthy pet that is accompanied by all these documents are not quarantined upon arrival in Jordan. Mostly, dogs are not much favored in the country.



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### Conclusion – Why to select this destination

*One of the safest places on earth for visiting tourists, Amman is a very liberal place with modern facilities and a westernized society. Though an Islamic region, visitors have the greatest freedom in this city. Walking alone at night is not an issue here as there will be police and military at every corner to protect you. Women travelers feel safe and secure in the city as there is no restriction on dressing as compared to other Islamic countries. The people are very accommodating and open about western culture. The rich historical and cultural heritage of the city can be seen in its buildings, museums, monuments, cultural sites, and ancient structures like the Roman Amphitheater. The central downtown area has an old world charm and it is here that you can find many old mosques, shops, and street vendors. Nightlife in Amman is exciting as the clubs, bars, cafés, and restaurants cater to the needs of the foreign tourists from all over the world. Some sections of the city are being transformed into more westernized tourist areas where a wide variety of shopping, entertainment, and food experiences are planned to attract more visitors to the city. Shopping at the various souqs in the city can be a different kind of experience where all kinds of local and global products can be bought from a long line of shops that occupy a vast area.*

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