



# **SOCOTRA: CAMPING TOUR**

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# OVERVIEW



## THIS TOUR IS SUITABLE FOR:

- Someone who is into exotic travel
- Someone who is into camping
- Someone who is into off beaten path travel
- Someone who is into Mother Nature

One of the most remote and exotic islands in the world. Socotra Island, an alien-like island belongs to Yemen located between the Arabian sea and Gulf of Aden. As due to the civil war happen in the mainland of Yemen, this island has become isolated and hard to reach from the outside world. Unlike the mainland, Socotra is actually safe and never involve in any of the war crisis.

For this 8 days tour, we will be camping and getting our ourselves closer to the Mother Nature. To visit some of the best beaches scenery in the world. Also, we wil also get to see some of the endemic plants and animals that can only be found on the island. Feel free to read through all the details and come to socotra and experience the beauty of this hidden gem with me.

# ROUGH ITINERARY

**Note:** Itinerary/plan may change last minute in accordance to any unforeseen circumstances. Detailed itinerary will only be sent upon request. Please kindly PM me or text me at **+60168926239** for more info



## ITINERARY:

- D1:** arrive Socotra, Qalansiya
- D2:** Detwah Lagoon
- D3:** Dixam National Park
- D4:** Zaheq Sand Dunes
- D5:** Kilisan Canyon and Arher Beach
- D6:** Hoq's Cave
- D7:** Infinity Pool, Homhil NP and Dihamri Marine
- D8:** Hadiboh. End of tour

## HIGHLIGHTS

Camping, hiking, Mother Nature, Endemic Plants, Dragon Blood Tree, Desert Rose, Yemen, White Sand Beach, Caves, Canyon, Canyon Pool, Infinity Pool, Arabic Sea

# TOUR DETAILS

**PRICE PER HEAD: USD 2,650 (RM 12,000).**

## ✓ INCLUDED

- Flight ticket roundtrip from Abu Dhabi to Socotra (900 USD per head)
- Daily Transportation
- Daily Meals as we will eat what's available on the market
- Mineral Water
- Camping equipments
- English Speaking Guide
- Entrance fees as in itinerary

## ✗ NOT INCLUDED

- All expenses in Abu Dhabi: Flight from anywhere around the world to Abu Dhabi, UAE, accommodations, meals etc.
- Yemen Travel Visa (100 USD) and apply during arrival in Socotra
- Driver and Guide tips
- Snorkelling and Diving Equipment
- All personal expenses in Socotra
- Travel insurance
- Any travel vaccination documents
- Any losses suffer or additional cost suffered due to unforeseen calamity (acts of god), uncontrollable events, war, outbreak or any form of local or global pandemic.



## ABOUT THE TOUR:

- To sign up for the tour, first deposit of **RM 500** will be collected to reserve your spot, and another **RM1500** once the tour has sufficient number of participants and is confirmed. The rest of the tour fee can be settled by monthly instalment or one off payment basis. Final balance payment is due 30 days before departure date. Failure to do so might result in cancellation of booking.
- Once tour is confirmed, another **900USD** will be collected to purchase for "Abu Dhabi to Socotra" flight tickets. Conversion rate is set at 1USD to 4.5 MYR, any rate difference that is above 4.5 will subject for different payment rate. The paid 900USD is included in the subjected tour fee, 2650USD.
- Tour fee can be paid in MYR(Ringgit Malaysia) with the conversion rate of 1USD to RM4.5. Tour fee in Ringgit Malaysia is subject to change due to currency difference.
- The paid deposit or tour fees are **strictly NOT refundable**. It can only be refunded if the tour is cancelled by RC Wanderlust. As for cancellation due to unforeseen calamity such as outbreak pandemic, weather, political reasons, riots, war, terrorist attack etc., Rc Wanderlust will not responsible with all the losses suffered, eg: local tour and accommodations cancellation charges, air tickets: cancellation, delay or reschedule losses, difference in currency exchange rates for money transfers, refunds or any form of transactions , non-refundable documentations: visa fees, LOI (Letter of Invitation) etc. Refund for the "Abu Dhabi- Socotra" air ticket is depend on the t&c for local airline company: Emirates Aviation.
- All the payment of the tour fee MUST be **fully settled** at least 30 days before the departure date. If you are unable to join due to personal issue, you will need to find a replacement in order to get a full refund. Full refund is only available only if I am unable to get enough number of people to run the tour. Strictly no refund if you decided not to go in last minute.

- Participant have to understand that this is a camping tour. Therefore, **self-independence** is very important and RC Wanderlust is not responsible to provide any form of baby-sitting services to any participants unless it is mutually agreed.
- For the transportation, we will be using a SUV that can fit 3-4 persons per car. As for luggage, we will put it at the back compartment.
- As for simcard, there is no simcard to buy in socotra and roaming is not available as well.
- Participant should understand that certain part of the itinerary require certain level of physical fitness to complete, eg. Hiking on sand dunes and cave activities. Therefore it is understand that this tour is only suitable for someone with good fitness level and not suitable someone who has limited physical capabilities. It is advised to do some exercises at least few months before the tour date to get yourself mentally and physically prepared. Participant is not necessary to train for Mount Everest level of fitness, but a normal exercises will be a great preparation eg. Squats, agility, HIIT, Running.
- It is understand that travel insurance is not included in this tour package. It is important to get your own travel insurance whenever you travel.
- After since the hit of covid 19, travel with any vaccination documents is a must. Please do refer to local vaccination passport policy for more details.
- RC Wanderlust will not be responsible if participant unable to board the plane or enter the country or during transit with anything that is due to self-negligence such as lack of or false travel documents.
- RC Wanderlust will not be responsible if participant is found or caught by local authorities for conducting anything illegal.



- One should fully understand the itinerary or program will subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances for instance weather, local issues etc.
- For medicine, it depends on individual. Please kindly bring your own medicines if you think it is necessary. You can bring some basic medicines for flu, fever, food poisoning, motion sickness etc.
- Weather in Socotra is roughly 28 to 30 celcius during daytime and will reach as low as 15 celcius during night time. Therefore, prepare accordingly.
- It is understand that flight from Abu Dhabi to Socotra is subject to change in very last minute, it might reschedule to a day behind or a day ahead. Therefore it is necessary to stay in in Abu Dhabi for extra few days just in case there might be any last minute flight schedule changes.
- It is also understand that there is only one weekly flight to Socotra. Therefore, you can only leave the island by taking the next available flight which will be a week after.
- Yemen is a Muslim majority country. It is important to respect the local cultures and wear modestly without exposing your skin too much. You do not want to draw unnecessary attention among the locals. For females, wearing a head scarf will be a good idea. For mosque, it is compulsory to wear something that can cover your knees and head scarf to cover your head is compulsory for female.
- Socotra is NOT suitable for someone who is only interested in luxury travel. The whole island is very isolated where network coverage is non-existent and facilities are basic and limited. We will be camping and there is no hotel backup on the island. Participant is fully understand and aware such conditions before joining. It is also understand that toilet and shower facilities may not be available all the time. Therefore, it is common to have bush toilet during the trip.

- It is considered rude and haram to take photos of the locals without their permission, especially for local females where it is strictly prohibited to take their photos. Participant have to understand that in Pakistan, bad consequences might happen to the local (female especially), if their photo is caught shared online. Therefore, it is important to politely ask for photo permission all the time before you pointing your camera at someone.

## **ABOUT SOCOTRA:**

- Yemen the country as a whole is currently facing a serious crisis due to the ongoing civil war. It is good that socotra is far enough from the mainland and they are never involve in any of the activities that is happening on the mainland.
- The local currency is Yemeni Rials, but local Yemenis are mostly OK to accept USD dollars.
- All of the endemic plants such as Dragon Blood Trees and Desert Rose are protected, therefore it is prohibited to destroy the plant.
- Once again, photos of local women are strictly prohibited.



## **ABOUT COVID-19:**

- After since the hit of covid 19, travel with vaccination document is a must. Please do refer to local covid-19 policy for more details.
- Travel during the epidemic can be different than what it used to be before, it is important to understand and agreed with all the up to date latest regulations set by the government for all the countries involved in this tour (including the transit destinations). It is advised to get yourself a travel insurance with covid-19 coverage.

## **CANCELLATION POLICY:**

- Tour is most likely cancelled if we are unable to get sufficient number of participants 30 days before the departure date. All the paid deposits and fees can be refunded or can be kept as credits for any other tours by RC.
- Refund of tour fee and deposit due to change of mind or any other personal problems by customers will not be entertained, however customer can find replacement.
- As for cancellation due to outbreak pandemic eg: Covid-19 or other similar form of outbreak, war and unforeseen calamity, refund minus any cost incurred will be made once official travel restriction is issued. Cost incurred includes cancellation charges and non-refundable refunds by local third party drivers or tour operators, currency exchange rates difference and other losses incurred.



# THANK YOU

If you are interested to join or to know more details, please kindly contact me personally via **whatsapp** at:



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# 中文版： 行程概要

**注意：**行程会因为天气或者一些人类无法控制的因素而临时做更改。完整行程或者想了解更多详情可以私下WhatsApp 跟我联系 **+60168926239**



## 行程：

- D1:** 抵达索科特拉岛, 卡兰西亚海滩
- D2:** 德瓦泻湖
- D3:** 帝森国家公园
- D4:** 扎赫克沙丘
- D5:** Kilisan 峡谷和 Arher 海滩
- D6:** Hoq 洞穴
- D7:** 无边泳池、Homhil国家公园 和 Dihamri 海域
- D8:** 哈迪布, 圆满结束

## 这团适合：

- 对大自然有兴趣的朋友
- 对露营有兴趣的朋友
- 对冷门地区旅游有兴趣的朋友
- 对户外徒步有兴趣的朋友

**行程亮点：** 叶门， 龙血树， 沙漠玫瑰， 海滩， 洞穴， 露营， 大自然， 峡谷

# 详情

团费一人：2,650 美金 (RM12,000)

## ✓ 包含

- 阿布达比飞往索科特拉岛来回机票 (900USD 一人)
- 每日交通
- 膳食 (市场卖什么就吃什么)
- 矿泉水
- 露营工具
- 英文导游
- 入门票

## ✗ 不包含

- 所有在阿布达比的费用：飞往阿布达比来回机票，住宿，膳食等。
- 叶门旅游签证 (100 美金一人)
- 司机和导游小费
- 潜水和浮潜工具 (可以租)
- 个人消费
- 旅游保险
- 所有有关新冠疫情的检测，隔离，疫苗，文件处理，费用 等
- 不可预见的灾难 (天灾)、无法控制的事件、战争、爆发或任何形式的本或全球流行病而遭受的任何损失或额外费用。
- 详情和行程里没提到过的服务



## 关于团:

- 有兴趣想报名参加的朋友，RC将会收取 RM 500 的订金以报名标准，一旦人数足够后，将会再收取第二笔 RM1500 订金。其余团费可以每个月分期付款或者一次过付清方式来付。最终余额必须在出发日前 30 天付清。
- 一旦成团，我也会另外收一人900美金来订购阿布达比飞往索科特拉岛来回机票。机票和团费兑换率是以1 美金对马币4.5 来计算，如果汇率高出4.5 的话就会以不同的汇率标准来计算。
- 团费可以选择付美金或马币，兑换率是以1 美金对4.5 马币。如果汇率高出4.5 的话就会有不同的汇率计算。
- 已支付好的订金或团费是不能因为个人因素而退款。除非 RC Wanderlust 亲自宣布团取消才可以得到退款。对于因疫情爆发、天气、政治原因、骚乱、战争、恐怖袭击等不可预见的灾难取消，Rc Wanderlust 将不承担由此造成的损失，例如：当地旅游和住宿取消费用，机票：取消、延迟或重新安排的损失、汇款、退款或任何形式的交易的货币汇率差异和其他无法退还的文件申请费用比如说：签证费、LOI（邀请函）等。至于阿布达比飞往索科特拉岛来回机票是必须跟着航空公司退款和所有条规，跟 RC Wanderlust 无关，RC 只是帮忙买机票而已。
- 团费必须在出发日期前 30 天全付清。如果您因个人原因无法参加，您需要寻找替代者才能获得全额退款。如果您在最后一刻决定不去，是肯定没得退款。这退款不包含900 美金的阿布达比飞往索科特拉岛机票，因为这机票是跟其他公司订购的票，不能更改名字，是必须看航空公司取消和退款条规。
- 团友必须了解这是露营团，所以团友必须要有一定的独立精神。领队是不会位团友提供保姆式服务，除非是领队自愿帮忙。
- 关于交通，一辆车能容纳3-4 人。至于行李都会放在车后方的行李空间。
- 关于simcard, 游客是买不到当地的手机服务卡，手机roaming 在叶门也是无法使用。
- 团友必须了解行程的某些活动需要一定的体力才能完成，例如。在爬上沙丘活动和山洞里徒步健行。必须了解这团不适合体力有限的人参加，也建议至少在出发的前几个月做一些运动练习让自己在心理和体力上做好准备。
- 团费是不包含个人旅游保险，所以建议团友自己在出发前一个月就先自己购买个人的旅游保险。
- 由于疫情的关系，团友必须自备所有跟疫情有关的文件。比如说疫苗证书。

## 关于团:

- 如果团友因为缺少或伪造旅游证件而导致无法登机，RC Wanderlust 绝对不负责。
- RC Wanderlust 将不负责如果团友因为进行任何非法活动而被地方当局发现和扣留。
- 团友应了解行程或计划可能会因不可预见的情况而改变，例如战争问题、骚乱、任何形式的流行病爆发、天气变化等。
- 团友必须自带个人药物和一些个人需要用品。可以考虑带 退烧药，伤风药，止泻药，晕车药 和 维他命C。
- 索科特拉岛天气：白天时大约28 度左右，到了夜晚时可以低于15 度，所以团友必须在这一方面做好穿着上的准备。
- 团友必须知道阿布达比飞往索科特拉岛班机经常临时改时间，提前一天飞或者延后一天才飞，团友在这一方面必须要有好的心里准备。建议在阿布达比前后多留几天以免错过班机。
- 团友也必须知道飞往索科特拉岛飞机一星期只有一趟机，如果有事想离开的话就必须在岛上等一个星期也就是团结束后才能离开。
- 叶门是穆斯林占多数的国家，尊重当地文化和宗教是一定要的。穿着方面也必须要注意，以免引起不必要的注意和麻烦。女团友可以选择戴上头巾。
- 这团不适合只对豪华旅游感兴趣的团友。由于索科特拉岛非常的偏僻：团友必须知道在岛上时网络是不存在，厕所和洗澡设备都很简单，在路边随地上厕所是很普遍的事。团友在报名前必须了解和接受此类条件。
- 拍照前必须先得到当地人的允许，没先得到当地人的允许就拍照是很没礼貌的行为。尤其是当地女生，团友必须知道当地女生是不能被拍，在这一方面团友都要特别注意。必须知道如果照片被发现在网上分享尤其是女性，可能会对照片里的人造成不良后果。



## 关于叶门:

- 叶门目前处于复杂内战问题，但由于索科特拉岛离叶门本土非常遥远而索科特拉岛也从来没干涉过叶门大陆的内战问题，所以大致上索科特拉岛是安全的。
- 关于叶门货币是只来到了叶门时才兑换得到。游客可以选择付美金，一般上美金都很受欢迎。
- 必须知道龙血树，沙漠玫瑰和其他岛上的植物都是受保护的植物，游客是不允许损害这些植物。
- 再强调一次，当地女生是禁止拍照或被拍。

## 关于疫情:

- 自从新冠病毒爆发以来，团友必须携带疫苗接种证书旅行。请参阅当地的巴基斯坦疫苗政策了解更多详情。建议团友购买一份涵盖 covid-19 的旅行保险。

## 取消政策:

- 如果在出发日期前的 30 天无法凑足人数，那么这团可能会取消。所有已支付的团费可以用在其他团或其他团日或者也可以选择退还，团费也可以作为 Credit 保留给未来用。
- 如果客户因为个人原因改变主意或因为任何其他个人问题而不参与，所还过的团费和押金都无法退还，但可以找人替代。
- 如果因为任何疫情、战争和无法控制的灾难导致团无法进行，一旦政府发布官方旅行限制后，所有支付过的团费都可以全面退款。退款不包含当地旅行社的取消费、税，货币汇率差异和其他损失。



# 谢谢

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