

LEICESTER RESIDENCES CITY GUIDE

Your Gateway to Abuja's Landmarks, Culture, and Lifestyle



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Exploring Abuja from Sun City Estate

Welcome to Leicester Residences, your quiet and comfortable base within Sun City Estate, Abuja. Whether you are visiting the city for business, leisure, family time, or exploration, Abuja offers a wide range of experiences—from iconic landmarks and cultural sites to vibrant nightlife, markets, and world-class dining.

This guide highlights places of interest, activities, restaurants, shopping locations, and entertainment spots that guests commonly enjoy while staying in Abuja.

About Abuja





Abuja is the capital city of Nigeria and one of Africa’s most carefully planned cities. Located in the centre of the country, it serves as the political, diplomatic, and administrative hub of Nigeria.

Visitors often appreciate Abuja for its:

- Wide roads and organized city layout
- Beautiful hills and natural landscapes
- Modern restaurants and shopping centres
- Cultural landmarks and museums
- Relaxed yet vibrant nightlife

From Leicester Residences in Sun City Estate, guests can easily reach many of Abuja’s most popular attractions within 20–30 minutes depending on traffic.

Iconic Landmarks and Must-See Attractions

Aso Rock



One of the most recognizable natural landmarks in Nigeria, Aso Rock towers over the city at about 400 meters above the surrounding terrain.

Important national buildings located near Aso Rock include:

- Presidential Villa
- National Assembly
- Supreme Court

Visitors often drive around the area to take photographs of the rock and surrounding government district.

Recommended for:

Sightseeing, photography, and first-time visitors to Abuja.

Abuja National Christian Centre



Located near the Central Business District, the National Christian Centre is one of Nigeria's most significant churches.

The structure features:

- A distinctive modern cathedral design
- A large worship auditorium
- Beautiful stained-glass interiors

Visitors are welcome to attend services or simply admire the architecture.

Recommended for:

Faith-based travelers and architecture enthusiasts.

Abuja National Mosque



The Abuja National Mosque is one of the most beautiful architectural structures in the city.

Features include:

- A magnificent gold dome
- Four towering minarets
- Elegant Islamic architecture
- Peaceful surrounding gardens

Visitors are welcome outside prayer times, and guided tours are sometimes available.

Recommended for:

Architecture lovers, cultural exploration, and quiet reflection.

Nature and Outdoor Activities

Jabi Lake





Jabi Lake is one of the most relaxing recreational locations in Abuja.

Activities include:

- Boat rides
- Lakeside dining
- Evening walks
- Photography
- Kayaking and jet skiing

Next to the lake is Jabi Lake Mall, which offers shopping, restaurants, and entertainment.

Recommended for:

Families, couples, and evening relaxation.

Millennium Park





The largest public park in Abuja, Millennium Park, is perfect for a peaceful escape from city activity.

Visitors enjoy:

- Picnic areas
- Walking paths
- Gardens and open lawns
- Relaxing weekend gatherings

Recommended for:

Families, picnics, jogging, and outdoor relaxation.

Central Park Abuja

Central Park Abuja is one of the largest recreational and leisure parks in the capital city. Located along Kur Mohammed Avenue in the Central Business District, the park offers a lively environment where visitors can enjoy outdoor recreation, entertainment, and dining in one location.

The park is a popular destination for families, tourists, and business visitors seeking a relaxed atmosphere away from the busy city streets. Its wide open spaces, landscaped gardens, and recreational facilities make it one of Abuja's most enjoyable places for leisure.

For guests staying at Leicester Residences in Sun City Estate, Central Park can typically be reached in about 25–35 minutes by car, depending on traffic.



Attractions and Activities at Central Park

Central Park offers a variety of attractions that appeal to visitors of all ages.

Amusement Rides

The park features several amusement rides that are especially popular with children and families. These rides provide a fun and energetic environment for younger visitors.



Go-Kart Racing

One of the most exciting attractions is the go-kart racing track, where visitors can enjoy a thrilling driving experience in a safe and controlled setting.

Outdoor Dining and Restaurants

Central Park hosts several restaurants and cafés where guests can enjoy meals, snacks, and drinks while relaxing in the park’s open environment. One well-known restaurant within the park is Ciao Italia Abuja, known for its Italian cuisine and outdoor dining experience.



Children’s Play Areas

Families visiting the park will find designated playground areas where children can safely enjoy slides, swings, and other recreational activities.

Why Visitors Enjoy Central Park

Central Park is appreciated for its combination of entertainment, relaxation, and dining in a single location. Visitors often come to:

- Spend time outdoors with family and friends
- Enjoy amusement rides and recreational activities
- Dine in a relaxed open-air setting
- Attend occasional social events and gatherings

The park's location in the heart of Abuja also makes it a convenient destination for both residents and visitors exploring the city.

For many guests staying at Leicester Residences, Central Park is an excellent place to experience Abuja's social and recreational lifestyle while enjoying a pleasant day or evening outdoors.



Shopping and Markets

Wuse Market



Wuse Market is one of the most vibrant markets in the city.

You can find:

- Clothing and fabrics
- Electronics
- Fresh produce
- Household goods
- Nigerian souvenirs

Tip: Bargaining is common in many sections of the market.



Arts and Crafts Village

The Arts and Crafts Village is the best place to buy Nigerian cultural items.

Popular items include:

- Handmade sculptures
- African fabrics
- Beaded jewelry
- Leather goods
- Traditional art

Recommended for:

Tourists looking for authentic Nigerian souvenirs.



Restaurants and Dining

Abuja offers a wide variety of restaurants ranging from Nigerian cuisine to international fine dining.

Popular Restaurants

BluCabana Restaurant & Café



BluCabana Restaurant & Cafe is a stylish restaurant and leisure destination located in the Mabushi district of Abuja. The venue combines elegant dining with a relaxed resort-style atmosphere.

Guests enjoy:

- International cuisine
- Cocktails and lounge seating
- Poolside relaxation
- A sophisticated yet relaxed dining environment

Nkoyo Restaurant





Nkoyo Restaurant is one of Abuja's most respected restaurants for authentic Nigerian cuisine served in a refined modern setting.

The restaurant is especially known for:

- Traditional Nigerian dishes
- High-quality presentation
- Comfortable dining atmosphere
- A menu that highlights Nigeria's culinary heritage

Recommended for:

Business meetings, family meals, and relaxed dining.

The Charcoal Grill Abuja



The Charcoal Grill Abuja is a premium restaurant well known for grilled meats and continental dishes.

Popular menu highlights include:

- Grilled steaks
- Seafood dishes
- International cuisine
- Fine dining experiences suitable for business meetings

Jevinik Restaurant





Jevinik Restaurant is a popular restaurant chain that serves traditional Nigerian meals in a casual and welcoming environment.

Guests visit Jevinik for:

- A wide variety of Nigerian dishes
- Affordable meals
- Quick service
- A lively local dining experience

Recommended for:

Business meetings, family meals, and relaxed dining.

Nightlife and Entertainment

Abuja has a vibrant nightlife scene with upscale lounges, clubs, and rooftop bars that attract residents and visitors alike.

Cubana Abuja



Cubana Abuja is one of the most famous nightlife destinations in the city.

The venue is known for:

- Energetic nightlife atmosphere
- Premium drinks and VIP lounges

- Music and live entertainment
- A vibrant social scene

Play Lounge Abuja



Play Lounge Abuja is a stylish nightclub known for its modern design and energetic entertainment scene.

The venue features:

- DJ performances
- Dance floor entertainment
- Celebrity appearances
- Premium lounge seating

Bank Abuja





Bank Abuja is a high-end lounge popular among young professionals and nightlife enthusiasts.

Visitors enjoy:

- Premium cocktails
- Elegant lounge environment
- Late-night entertainment
- Social gatherings

Recommended for:

Nightlife lovers and social gatherings.

Activities for Business Travelers

Abuja is Nigeria's political and diplomatic capital, making it an important destination for conferences, meetings, and official events.

Popular business locations include:

- Abuja International Conference Centre
- Central Business District

- Maitama District
- Asokoro District

Many of Abuja's premium restaurants also serve as meeting venues for business discussions.

Family-Friendly Activities

Families staying at Leicester Residences may enjoy:

- Jabi Lake boat rides
- Millennium Park picnics
- Movie cinemas at Jabi Lake Mall
- Casual dining restaurants around Wuse and Maitama

These activities are suitable for both children and adults.

Transportation Tips

Guests commonly use:

- Ride-hailing services such as Uber and Bolt
- Private taxis
- Hotel drivers or car hire services

Traffic in Abuja is usually moderate, but peak hours occur during 7–9 AM and 4–7 PM.

Safety Tips for Visitors

Abuja is generally considered one of the safer major cities in Nigeria, but guests are encouraged to observe basic precautions:

- Use trusted transportation services
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash
- Keep valuables secure
- Follow local guidance for late-night travel

Sun City Estate itself is known for its quiet and secure residential environment, making it an ideal base for exploring the city.

Enjoy Your Stay at Leicester Residences

We are delighted to host you at Leicester Residences.

Whether you are visiting Abuja for business, tourism, or relaxation, the city offers a rich blend of culture, modern life, and memorable experiences.

Our team will be happy to assist with:

- Transportation recommendations
- Restaurant suggestions
- Sightseeing guidance
- Local tips for enjoying Abuja

We wish you a comfortable stay and a memorable experience exploring Nigeria's capital city.