

With a history dating right back to 3,000 BC, Oman's unspoilt land could tell a thousand tales. It was the birthplace of the Queen of Sheba, the last resting place of the prophet Job and the home and port of the famous adventurer, Sinbad. Little wonder then that the sultanate has such an abundance of hidden treasures.

From the grand forts, exquisite palaces and mystical souqs of its capital Muscat, to the undulating dunes, fresh water wadis and miles of unspoilt sandy beaches, Oman is just waiting to be discovered.











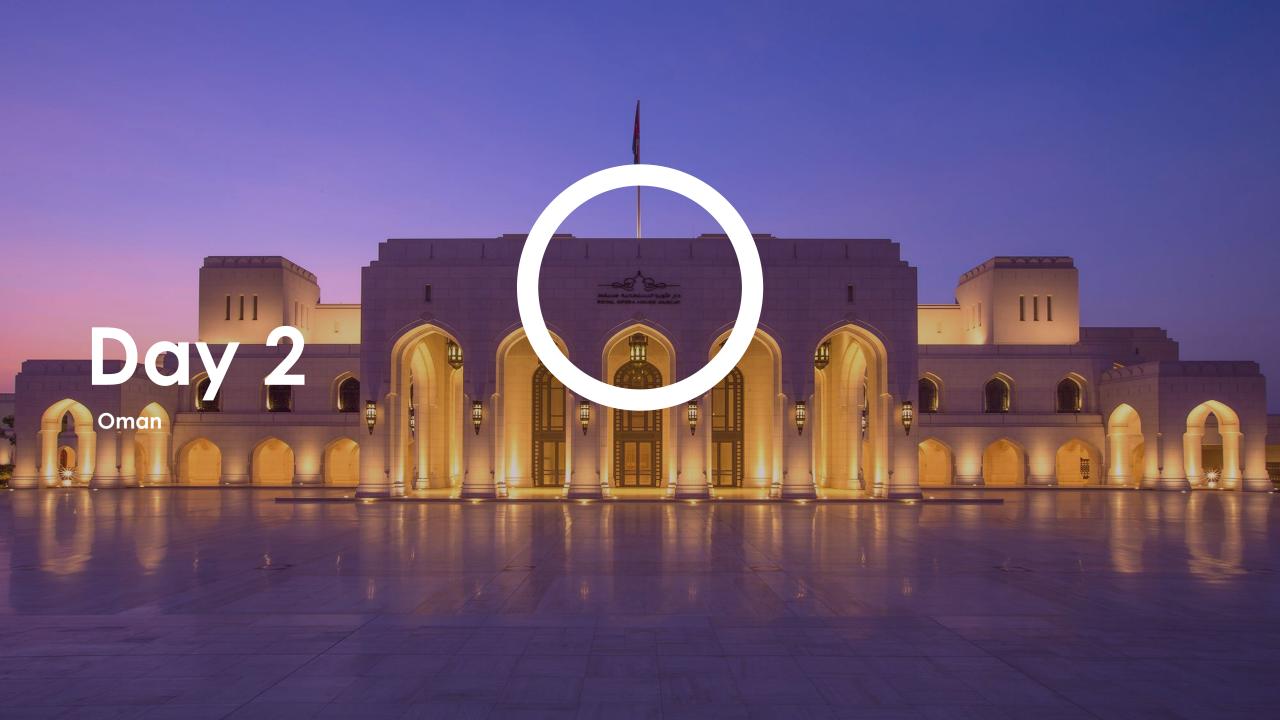
#### Arrival

Arrival and transfer from Muscat International Airport to the hotel of choice. Evening at leisure to enjoy the hotel facilities and prepare for your time in this alluring Arabesque city.













#### Welcome to Muscat

A tour of the glorious Grand Mosque (except Friday) and Bait Al Zubair Museum (except Friday) traces Oman's rich history and development. Drive along the waterfront cornice to visit the lively fish market and the colourful Muttrah Souq. Indulge in fun filled shopping, bartering with local shopkeepers selling traditional creations made of copper, camel bone, leather and silver.



## o Evening - A night at the Opera

An elegant evening of passionate music and theatre provided by internationally renowned stars.













#### Wahiba Wilderness

A vast undulating sea of red and white sand with dunes rising to 200 meters, the Wahiba sands are famed for their natural beauty. Capture some photos of the ever-changing sand patterns and enjoy thrilling rollercoaster rides over the dunes. Relax over BBQ lunch, swim in the lush aquamarine pools at Wadi Bani Khalid and stop for coffee at the home of a Bedouin tribe family known for their hospitality and knowledge of the sands.



### Evening - Kargeen

Visiting Kargeen is like stepping back to Oman of old. In its open air, candle lit courtyard, relax and enjoy a Bedouin style evening under the stars. Propped by a variety of cushions and throws, dine on traditional kebabs and try a fruity shisha pipe.













### Dolphin Adventure

Explore the hidden treasures of Muscat's rugged coastline. Watching wild dolphins is a thrilling way to start the day, maybe you'll be lucky to spot some whales too. Dock at a tranquil island to enjoy a BBQ lunch and activities including jet skiing and snorkeling.



## o Evening - Island Life

Island life continues this evening with tropical cocktails, Polynesian style cuisine and live Latin music combining to provide an exotic and fun atmosphere.













# Fascinating Forts

Follow the dusty road to Nizwa, the former capital city of Oman which boasts an impressive 17th century round tower designed to withstand the vibrations of 24 cannons. Enjoy lunch in the fort with Arabic majilis. Close by is the Jabrin fort, the finest and most elegant example of traditional Omani architecture.



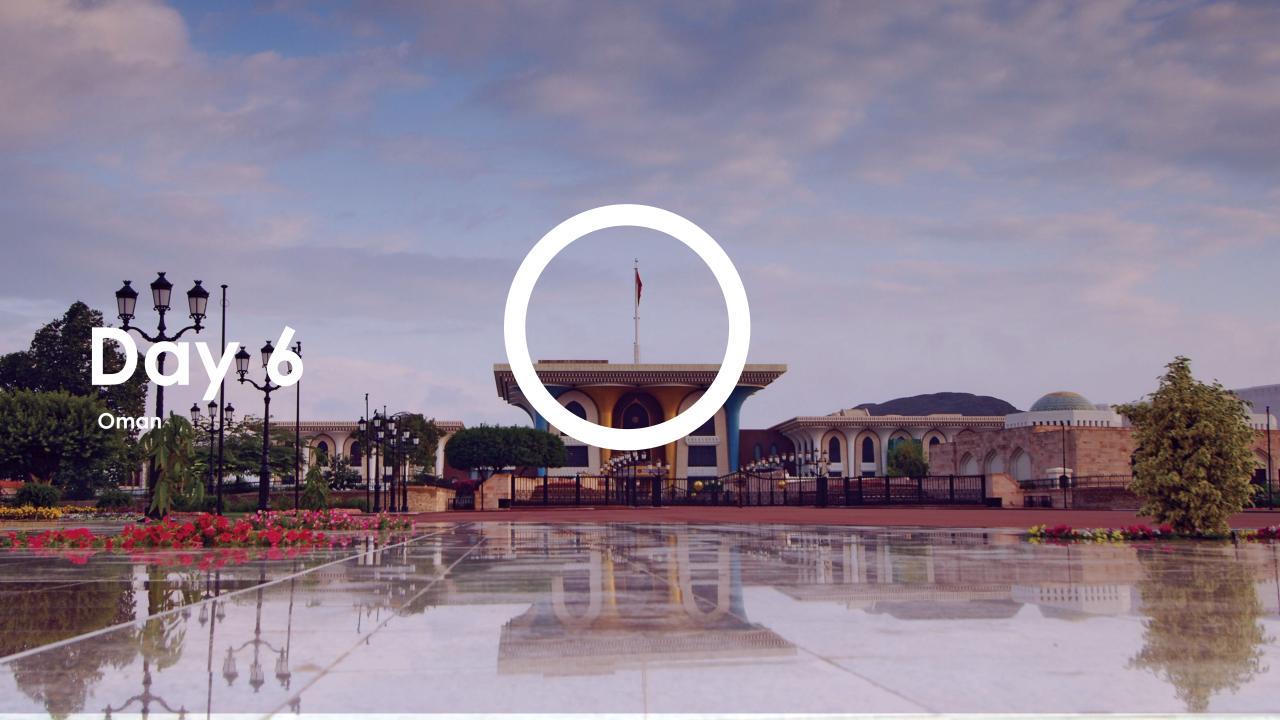
### o Evening - Farewell Oman

Back at the hotel your time in Oman is drawing to a close but this evening of traditional Omani hospitality will provide a lifetime of memories. Relax on richly woven carpets and colourful cushions and feast on the finest Omani food while belly dancers sashay to the rhythm of the traditional drummer music.













Breakfast at leisure and airport departures.













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