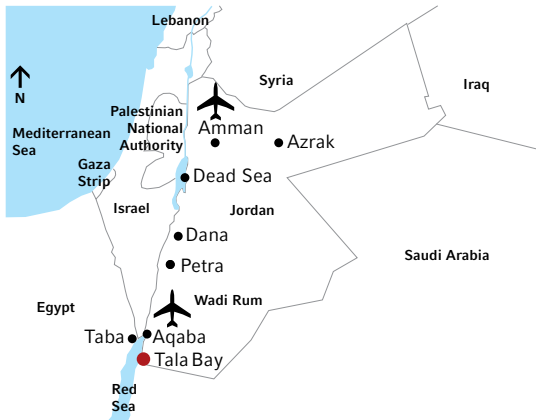


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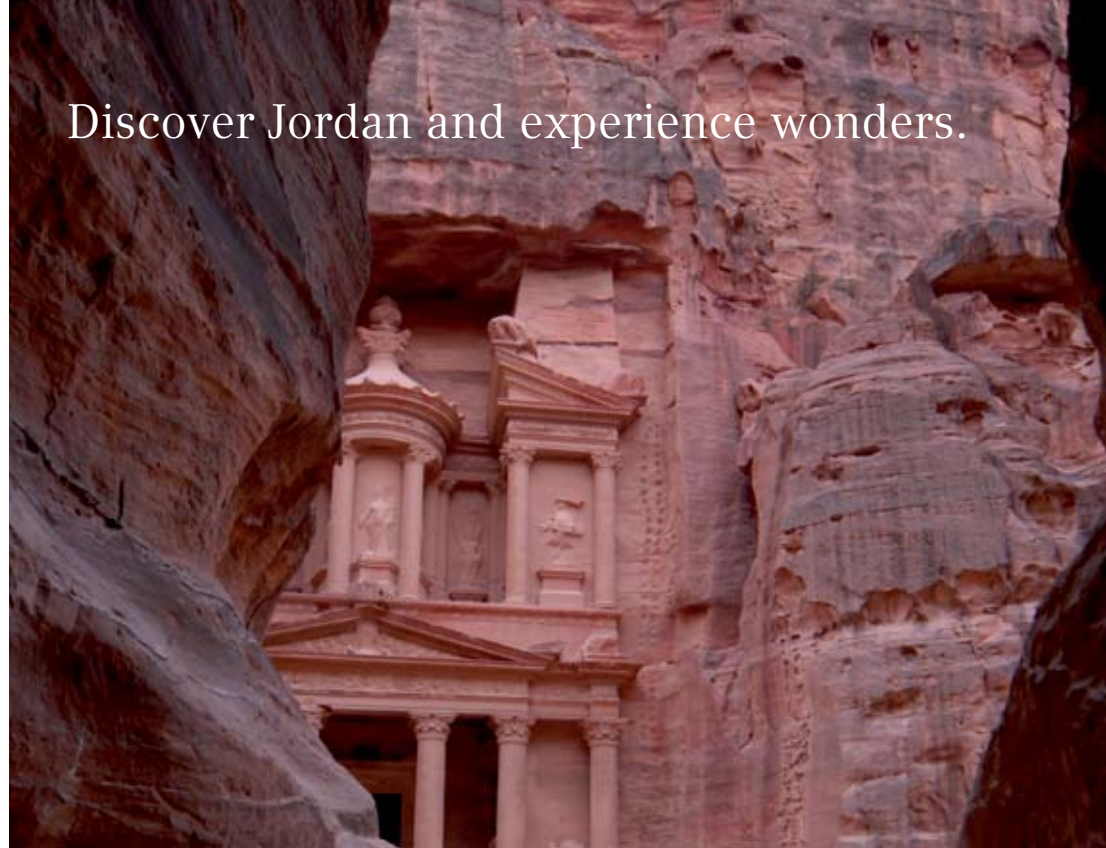


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Welcome to the Dead Sea and uncover the riches of Jordan.

Mövenpick Resort & Spa Dead Sea invites you to explore Jordan, a place steeped in history, culture and natural beauty. Whether you stay with us or transfer to another Mövenpick Hotel & Resort, there is plenty to see and do: from charming arts and crafts, to inspiring outdoor adventure, authentic eating and bazaar-style shopping. So put on your walking shoes, get your camera ready and see what the country has in store.

Dead Sea





Spectacular natural beauty and breathtaking living culture.

Famous for its striking sea and desert views, the Dead Sea area also offers a rich legacy of arts and culture. Meet local artists and artisans and peruse their traditional wares.

Bani Hamida Women's Weaving project

Enjoy the scenic drive up to the mountains overlooking the Dead Sea. Here, in the village of Mukawir, highly-skilled women make traditional rugs on horizontal ground looms – a simple construction of poles, driven into the earth.

The Women's Project, supported by the Jordan River Foundation, was started in 1985 to bring more prosperity to this area of Jordan. Each woman works her loom at home, using the centre as a place to meet and pick up raw materials. Visit the centre to browse carpets on sale, see a typical carpet loom in action and how raw wool is turned into yarn.

Travel: About 45 minutes' drive from the Mövenpick Resort & Spa Dead Sea.

Open: Sunday to Thursday, 8.00 am to 3.00 pm.

In the area: The hot mineral spring and waterfall in Ma'in.

The stunning views and exhibits at the Panoramic Complex.

Beit al Bawadi

Reviving a local art and supporting, Beit al Bawadi's artists and artisans make and sell skillfully crafted ceramics. Visit the shop in Amman to browse the exquisite collections, inspired by the heritage of the region. Afterwards enjoy a tour of the nearby workshop, where you can see age-old techniques in action – ceramics being cast or carved, before being sanded to perfection, and then fired in a traditional kiln.

You can even try your hand at making a vase. In case you are interested in a workshop at the Beit Al Bawadi shop (starting from the end of 2013), please ask our Guest Relations team and they will advise the possibilities.

Travel: The shop is roughly 45 minutes' drive from the Mövenpick Resort & Spa Dead Sea, the factory is another 15 minutes away.

Open: Sunday to Thursday, 9.00 am to 3.00 pm.

In the area: Make the most of your time in Amman by visiting some of its archaeological attractions, such as the Roman Theatre or Jebel al Qala Citadel.





Madaba

Madaba Mosaic School

Founded in 1992, this inspiring school exists to preserve and restore ancient mosaics and to provide work opportunities for artisans. See how new mosaics are produced and how precious, old ones are returned to their former glory.

Why not spend a full day at the workshop learning how to design your own mosaic, cut your own stones and to finish it to take home with you? Classes are JOD 30 per person, or JOD 20 per person for a group of more than 6.

Travel: About 40 minutes' drive from the Mövenpick Resort & Spa Dead Sea.

Open: Sunday to Thursday, 8.00 am to 3.00 pm.

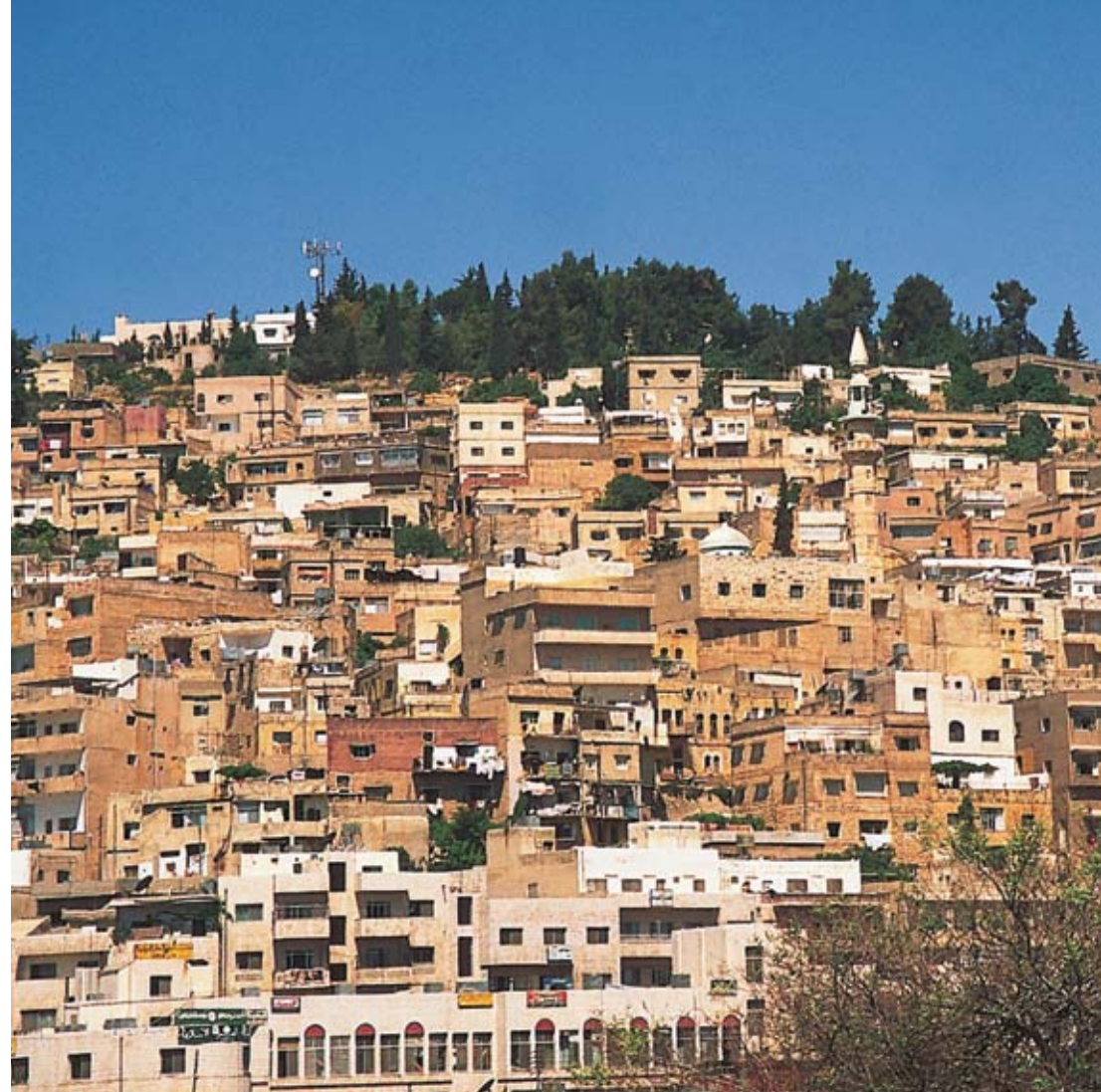
In the area: Pop into Madaba, where you can see the famous Byzantine and Umayyad mosaics – most notably the Byzantine mosaic map of the Holy Land in the Basilica of St George.

Salt

Known as ‘The Golden City’, Salt was once the capital of Jordan and an ancient centre of enterprise and culture. The historic walking trail will take you to all the city’s foremost attractions and some of the region’s finest examples of Ottoman architecture.

Visit the city’s charming souk for fresh fruit and vegetables, handicrafts and textiles, as you make your way to the Historic Old Salt Museum in Abu Jaber House. Stop for lunch at the quirky Coffee Shop & Bazar Zyes in downtown Salt. Here you can sample a range of traditional Arabic dishes, have fun trying on local dresses and browse unique souvenirs.

Travel: 1½ hours from the Mövenpick Resort & Spa Dead Sea.
Accommodation: Stay overnight at the Saltos Hotel – the first hotel in Salt.





Sun soaked and immersed in the arts.

Aqaba

Same as far magnificent beaches and breathtaking diving, Aqaba is also an exciting cultural hub. From innovative arts and crafts to edgy film making, it offers a refreshing break from the sun.

Burdah Ladies Wadi Rum

On your way to the magnificent Wadi Rum, make a worthwhile stop at the desert settlement of Burdah. The Burdah Women's Cooperative Society has revitalised Rum Art, by training a talented group of ladies to make exciting artisan products.

Experience how the women create jewellery, rugs, printed T-shirts and other ornaments. One of the highlights is the stunning recycled art they create from glass and melted soft drink cans. Another is the unique olive oil soap, perfumed with the herbs and grasses of the Wadi Rum. The ladies speak very little English, so take along an Arabic speaker to help you 'talk' to the ladies about their art and way of life.

Travel: About 1½ hours from the Mövenpick Resort Petra and Mövenpick Resort & Spa Tala Bay and an hour from the Mövenpick Resort & Residences Aqaba.

Open: Sunday to Thursday, 9.00 am to 3.00 pm.

In the area: One of the Wadi Rum's most celebrated attractions, the Burdah Arch.

Aqaba

Disi Women's Cooperative

Located near the entrance of the Wadi Rum, the Disi Women's Cooperative was set up to help women turn their creativity into employment. Visit the shop to browse their beautiful postcards, paintings and ceramics. You are also welcome to stop by the light-hearted ceramic studio to see how the ladies produce each original piece. To get the most of your visit, take along an Arabic speaker or visit with a tour guide.

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Open: Sunday to Thursday, 8.00 am to 3.00 pm.

In the area: The Wadi Rum.

Aqaba





Green Creations

One of Jordan's most exciting projects, Green Creations brings together the fight for the environment and the fight against poverty, providing jobs for Jordanian women in need. It all started with five hard-working women who put their heads together to create recycled products from salvaged paper, aluminium, glass and plastic. There are now over 20 women working at the workshop, producing beads, jewellery, bags, bowls, purses, baskets and more.

Green Creations is also helping the ladies learn English, so you are most welcome to stop in for a chat. Browse the arts and crafts at the studio shop, or look out for their stall at the 'Souk by the Sea' every Friday (except during the summer break) in Aqaba.

- Travel: 10 minutes' drive from the Mövenpick Resort & Residences Aqaba and 30 minutes from Mövenpick Resort & Spa Tala Bay.
- Open: Sunday, Monday and Wednesday from 9.00 am to 12.00 noon or to visit another day, please get in touch with the Guest Relations team to book a special visit.
- In the area: Beside soaking up the sun on the many beaches, be sure to visit the Aqaba Fort and Aqaba Marine Park.

Princess Basma Bint Talal Centre

Whether you are a family with little-ones or teenagers, or you just enjoy urban arts, this centre is well worth the visit. A dynamic youth-led project, it helps everyone from tots to teens by encouraging them to work, volunteer, develop a youth culture and think democratically.

The centre's most popular workshop is videography, and visitors can enjoy watching powerful short-films made by the city's teenagers. Local women also run an arts and crafts studio attached to the centre, with bi-monthly bazaars selling everything from rings and bags to pillowcases and dresses.

Travel: 10 to 15 minutes' drive from the Mövenpick Resort & Residences Aqaba and 30 minutes from Mövenpick Resort & Spa Tala Bay.

Open: Saturday to Thursday, from 7.30 am to 2.30 pm.

In the area: Beside soaking up the sun on the many beaches, be sure to visit the 16th Century Aqaba Fort and Aqaba Marine Park.





See the unbelievable and touch the treasure.

Petra

Home to one of the seven wonders of the world, Petra is a place that has to be seen to be believed. It is also a place of honoured tradition, where you can experience all aspects of local culture – from the fruits of desert gardens to precious metal-craft.

Handicraft Workshops in Dana Village

Experience a rich reflection of Petra's ancient culture. Visit the dried fruit centre where local women traditionally process fruit and herbs grown in Dana's centuries-old terraced gardens. Afterwards, browse the jewel-coloured jams, fruit-leather, herbs and tea for sale at the visitor's centre. The women are also adept silversmiths, producing traditional silver trinkets for the shop.

Travel: About two hours' drive from the Mövenpick Resort & Spa Dead Sea and an hour's drive from the Mövenpick Resort Petra.
Open: Open every day from 8.00 am to 3.00 pm, except Monday.
In the area: Dana village makes a great stop when visiting Petra or hiking in the Dana Biosphere.

Petra Pottery Association

Taybeh Village

For visitors who have fallen in love with Petra, here is an opportunity to take home more than just a souvenir – but a meaningful work of art. Just 20 minutes' drive from the Mövenpick Resort Petra, authentic Nabatean pottery is made in exactly the same way as it was back in 50 AD. The elegant works are characterised by mellow red, brown and pink clay, as well as delicate leaf and floral designs.

By reviving this ancient craft, the Taybeh Village Women's Society also enjoy an income and the fulfillment of using their creativity.

Travel: 20 minutes' drive from the Mövenpick Resort Petra.
Open: Sunday to Thursday from 8.00 am to 2.00 pm.
In the area: Petra, Dana Nature Reserve and Wadi Rum.





Wadi Mousa Silver Production Centre

An initiative of the Nabatean Ladies Cooperative, the centre has helped to create work for over 700 Bedouin women in the area. Inspired by the city's rich history and art heritage, the women create intricate silver necklaces, earrings, bracelets, rings, silver chains and pendants. Visit the second floor studio to see how this sumptuous silver-work is made by hand.

Travel: 5 minutes' drive from the Mövenpick Resort Petra.
Open: Daily from 8.00 am to 2.00 pm.

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Sustainability and Environment Protection

'SHINE' is the name of Mövenpick Hotels & Resorts' sustainability approach that is divided into three main practices including Environment, Employer and Social sustainability, with more focus on education in local communities. Sustaining the environment, Mövenpick Hotels & Resorts- Jordan reduces its energy consumption through energy sufficient lighting, water consumption reduction and a special sewage treatment plan, better management of waste and chemicals and usage of solar energy.

Through Employer Sustainability, Mövenpick Hotels & Resorts commits to the continuous improvement of team member engagement, development, security, wellbeing and gender equity. Our commitment goes beyond environmental and employer to encompass Social Sustainability, which is embodied in the reinforcement of Vocational Training Centers across the Kingdom.

Among others, all MHR Jordan are 'Green Globe' certified.



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