

Suggested CAS program

Day one:

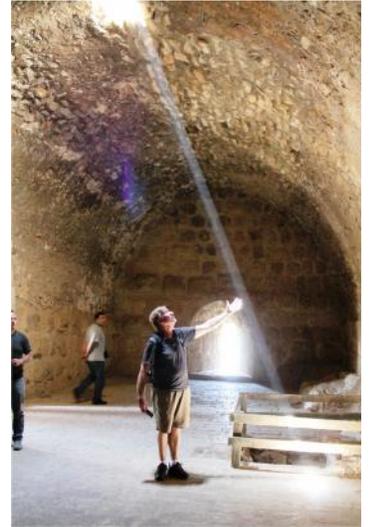
Arrival to Amman (The capital):



Day two:

Heading north to Ajloun nature reserve After breakfast participants will head to the soap house and participate in soap making (project for locals sponsored by the USAID) or participate in renovating some schools for the local community, after lunch participants will walk the prophet's trail. *The trail leads through fig and pear orchards, amongst forests of oak and oriental strawberry trees to reach Ajloun Castle, in which they will try to light a fire, cook a small snack, create a trap for small animals and creating some kind of weapon.*

Overnight in Nature reserve Bungalows or in Amman 3* hotel HB. (depends on season)



Day Three:

Heading to Azraq wetland: Azraq Wetland Reserve to conserve the uniquely precious oasis located in the heart of Jordan's eastern desert, between a limestone desert in the west and a basalt desert in the east. It is distinguished by lush marshland and natural water collections that form glittering pools and streams, giving Azraq its name, which is the Arabic word for 'blue', in which they will participate with the RSCN to find solutions for reviving the oasis.

Heading to visit the desert castles: Scattered throughout the black basalt desert, east of Amman, the Desert Castles stand as a testament to the flourishing beginnings of Islamic-Arab civilization. These seemingly isolated pavilions, caravan stations, secluded baths, and hunting lodges, were at one time integrated agricultural or trading complexes, built mostly under the Umayyads (661-750 AD), when Muslim Arabs had succeeded in transforming the fringes of the desert into well-watered settlements.

Overnight in Amman.



Day Four:

Canyoning in Zara Canyon Thermal Springs full day: Wadi Zarqa Ma'in is supposed to be a camping place. Zarqa Ma'in – a magnificent gorge; but there are only tombs to be seen in it. Thence a steep and difficult path leads to the hot springs of Callirhoe. In this valley we will have easy walk, and the last 4 Km will be trekking to Ma'in Spa.

During this hike, participants will learn basic leadership skills & survival skills.

Overnight in one of Madaba.



Day Five:

Heading to the Dead Sea: in the morning participants will have a small brief about the challenges facing the middle east, then trying to hear different opinions and discussions about it, then short tour in Madaba we will drive to the dead sea. Without a doubt the world's most amazing place, the Jordan Rift Valley is a dramatic, beautiful landscape, which at the Dead Sea, is over 400m (1,312 ft.) below sea level. The lowest point on the face of the earth, this vast stretch of water receives a number of incoming rivers, including the River Jordan. Once the waters reach the Dead Sea they are land-locked and have nowhere to go, so they evaporate, leaving behind a dense, rich, cocktail of salts and minerals that supply industry, agriculture and medicine with some of its finest products.

The Dead Sea is flanked by mountains to the east and the rolling hills of Jerusalem to the west, giving it an almost other-worldly



beauty. Overnight in Dead Sea.



Day Six

Having a full day in Madaba to learn some of Jordan's handicrafts:

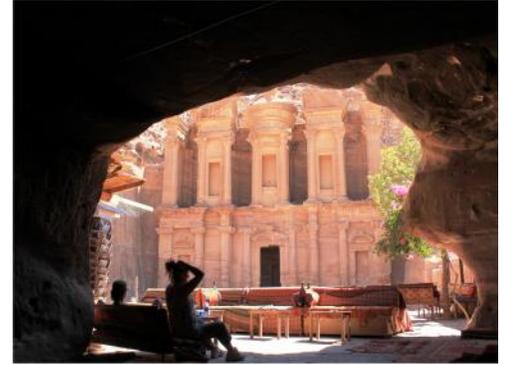
Mosaics Restoration & Art, Crafting Sand Bottles, Clay Pottery & Ceramics Crafting, Glass Blowing, Oriental Rug Weaving, Hand Made Embroideries, Henna Art & Tattoo Design and Hand Crafting Silver Jewelry.



Day Seven

Visiting Petra Full day: *“Petra, the world wonder, is without a doubt Jordan’s most valuable treasure and greatest tourist attraction. It is a vast, unique city, carved into the sheer rock face by the Nabataeans, an industrious Arab people who settled here more than 2000 years ago, turning it into an important junction for the silk, spice and other trade routes that linked China, India and southern Arabia with Egypt, Syria, Greece and Rome.*

Overnight in Wadi Rum camps HB



Day Eight:

Discovering Wadi Rum *“Wadi Rum is a protected area covering 720 square kilometers of dramatic desert wilderness in the south of Jordan. Huge mountains of sandstone and granite emerge, sheer-sided, from wide sandy valleys to reach heights of 1700 meters and more. Narrow canyons and fissures cut deep into the mountains and many conceal ancient rock drawings etched by the peoples of the desert over millennia. Bedouin tribes still live among the mountains of Rum and their large goat-hair tents are a special feature of the landscape”.*

Students then will help for half a day with some local projects.

Overnight in Aqaba 3* hotel / HB



Day Nine:

Full day **Aqaba** for some water activities in the red sea.

Overnight in Amman 3* Hotel HB.



Day Ten:

Departure.

*** please note that this Adventure /Educational program is rated ***physically easy to moderate*** and all our educational strategies are based on Experiential learning.