

### Socotra Tour 1 week 2019

#### Day 1 - Wednesday– Habido - Ayhaft Canyon National Park – Delisha Beach

- 2:00am flight from Cairo
- 8:45am arrival in Habido, Socotra. Upon arrival we'll be greeted by our local Socotri guide who will accompany us for the trip.
- Short drive to Ayhaft Canyon National Park
- Swimming at Delisha Beach. A beautiful white beach next to the sea and a lagoon.
- Enjoy the magnificent sunset from the sanddunes, while you'll see different ships passing by.
- Dinner and overnight at Hotel



#### Day 2 - Thursday– Homhil National Park – Arher

- After breakfast we'll head for Homhil National Park. Here you can see the famous Dragonbloodtrees but as well many others, like the bottle tree and the cucumber plant. After an hour walking we'll reach an amazing crystal clear pool with a view over the Southern part of Socotra.
- Lunch
- Die-hards can go descent from the mountain. Others can walk back to the car and be driven down towards the beach.
- Drive to Arher.
- Arher is the meeting point between fresh and salt water. Overhere you'll find giant sand dunes.
- Go for walk around the area on your own, or climb the 300m high sand dune.
- Dinner and overnight in Arher



#### Day 3 - Friday – Arher – Hoq's Cave/Raw Ersil – Dhamri Marine Protected Area

- After waking up next to the beach people can choose between 2 morning activities;
- A steep hike to Hoq's cave (4 hours). This is one of the most important spots on the island. OR Be driven to Raw Erisel, the meeting point of the Arabic Sea and the Indian Ocean and walk from there back to the camp.
- When everybody returned from their activity we'll drive to Dhamri Marine Protected Area. While the beach may not be spectacular here, in the sea you'll find a great diversity of flora and fauna.
- Everybody can choose between; diving, snorkeling



- (rental available) or joining local fishermen on the sea.
- Fresh caught fish from the sea for dinner in Dihamri. .
- Overnight in Dihamri protected area.

#### Day 4 – Saturday - Dixsam

- We'll drive to the Dixsam Plateau. This is the most famous spot for the dragon blood trees and where you can spot many rare birds.
- Along the way we'll stop for photos at Shehahon's viewpoint
- We will have lunch in the village of Dixsam. Here we'll meet the head of the village who will happily tell more about his job here.
- Stop at Wadi Derhur where we can take a walk. This used to be a famous camping spot, but sadly, after a major storm everything was damaged.
- Hike through the beginning of Fermahin, this is a forest of dragon blood trees.
- Dinner and overnight at a homestay in Dixsam



#### Day 5 - Sunday –Zahek & Hayf – Dagub – Amak

- Morning walk through the village, including a visit to the local garden. Where they try to plant new dragon blood trees.
- Drive towards the Southern coast at Nogud
- Stop at the big sand dunes of Sahek and Hayf at Amak Beach, where you can swim in the sea.
- Cave of Dagub
- Lunch at the cave or at Amak Beach, depending on the sun.
- Dinner and overnight in at Amak beach.



#### Day6:Qalnsiya Detwah P A

- We drive early morning to Qalansyia to look around this charming and picturesque fishing town with its traditional houses and narrow alleyways.

- We then go to the protected area of Detwah lagoon, which is renowned for its spectacular landscape. Sting rays can be seen in the lagoon,
- so take care when swimming. There is also a large array of sea birds to be seen at this location. Overnight at Detwah lagoon.



#### Day 7:Shu,ab Beach

- We will take a boat tour to Shu'ab stunning beach
- . Be sure to look out for Spinner Dolphins along the way. Cormorants also frequent the area.
- Once at Shu'ab we will have swimming there and lunch and enjoy this pristine beach setting, complete with mangroves.
- Line fishing also be possible from the boat.
- Return to Hadiboh
- We'll spend the afternoon in Hadibo and learn more



- about life in Yemen, visiting the;
- Women Market (incl. the spice market)
- Fish Market
  
- Manufacturers of doors
- Local school
- Overnight in hotel at Hadibo

**Day 8 - Wednesday – Hadibo – Cairo (Egypt)**

- 9:45 flight to Cairo
- 14:45 arrival Cairo
- End of tour.

**Inclusive services:**

- Accommodation
- Transport
- Local guide
- Boat tour
- Local guide on mountain areas
- Camping gear
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner
- Water
- Entrance fees

***Services not included***

Visa fees

Tickets Socotra – Cairo – Socotra

Guide and driver tips

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