



ABERCROMBIE & KENT
JORDAN
INSIDER ACCESS

“Insider Access” Opportunities

Abercrombie & Kent understands that today’s sophisticated traveller needs to do much more than just skim the surface of a country; he needs to delve more deeply into the real culture of the place he is visiting, to understand, to interact and ultimately to expand his own horizons. Doing this occasionally means going to places off the beaten track that regular tourists do not reach. While other times, it is simply a case of taking part in everyday activities that locals take for granted but which represent a whole new experience for the traveller.

Abercrombie & Kent Jordan is able to grant its clients true “insider access” in the form of:

- Ability to arrange special lectures given by experts in archaeology and Jordanian history.
- Specialist connections enabling access to current archaeological excavations or sites of current monument restoration and conservation.
- Unique access to social projects and NGOs working with local women and children.
- Access to local celebrities, members of the Royal family and local organizations.
- Arranging exclusive tours and visits of significant locations and institutions in Jordan.

Travelling with Abercrombie and Kent Jordan creates unique cultural and social experiences for the traveller. We work very hard to insure that our clients not only have the time of their lives but to also insure that the experience will stay with them forever.

Below is a detailed description of the Insider Access activities we can provide for our clients.

Royal Automobile Museum

The Royal Automobile Museum depicts the history of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, from the early 1920s until the present day.

The featured cars highlight the life of His Majesty the late King Hussein and his reign, as well as the many aspects of his leadership.

The museum affords the visitor an insight into the history of the Kingdom through the exhibited cars from the era of King Abdullah I, the founder of the Kingdom, to the current era of His Majesty King Abdullah II. These exhibits recap the development of the Kingdom in pace with the automotive advancement in the country and its transformation since the Great Arab Revolt during World War I.



Rare photo archives and video footage are used throughout the museum. A multimedia room, a library, as well as a souvenir shop are available to provide the visitor with a comprehensive and stimulating historical experience.

Exclusive Tour and Dinner at the Royal Automobile Museum in Amman:



Enjoy an exclusive tour and private dinner at the Royal Automobile Museum. You will be shown the amazing collection of cars which highlight the life of His Majesty the late King Hussein, who was a great car enthusiast, and the many aspects of his leadership. Dinner will be elegantly served in a spacious hall within the museum where you can still look upon the magnificent car collection.

This event can be organised for individual travellers as an exclusive and private tour only without the catered dinner.

Exclusive Visit to See the Yellow Taxi at the Royal Automobile Museum in Amman



Enjoy an exclusive visit to see the Yellow Taxi at the Royal Automobile Museum that was originally built in London in 1903 by Austen. This cab is special because it can turn 150 degree in a narrow road so it can enter the narrow entry of Safeway in London. The original colour of the taxi was black but over the years, it was painted many colours.

The Royal Welcome

Courtesy of the King's Royal Army; A&K will be glad to welcome your group with Royal Greeting by the Royal Army Band. This is the same band used by the government, the Royal Court and also the Royal Army to greet all official delegations to Jordan.



Exclusive Champagne Breakfast at the Royal Stables

Today you will drive to the Royal Stables for an exclusive visit and breakfast. We will have one of the five stars deluxe hotels in Amman prepare a very special champagne breakfast in the gardens of the Royal Stables, then you can relax and watch a show of the thorough breed Arabian horses, which is the private collection of the Jordanian Royal Family.



The manager of the stable will be there to explain and give the guests an idea about the horse.



The Jordan Archaeological Museum



The Jordan Archaeological Museum was built in 1951 on the Citadel Hill in Amman. It houses artefacts from all the archaeological sites in the country. The collection is arranged in chronological order and represents ancient items of daily life such as pottery, glass, flint and metal tools, as well as monumental materials such as inscriptions and statuary. The museum also houses several jewellery inscription statuary and coin collections.

Exclusive visit to the Archaeological Museum in Amman and Afternoon Tea on top of the Citadel:

Start the tour with a refreshing break on top of the Citadel of Amman overlooking the Roman Theatre while the sun sets behind the mountains of Amman, a selection of hot and cold canapés, pastries, tea, coffee and fresh juices will be provided exclusively for our guests.

The Jordan Archaeological Museum located at the Citadel Hill is the biggest museum in Jordan and it has an excellent collection of antiquities dating from prehistoric times to the 15th century.



Candle Lit Dinner at One of the Art Galleries of Amman

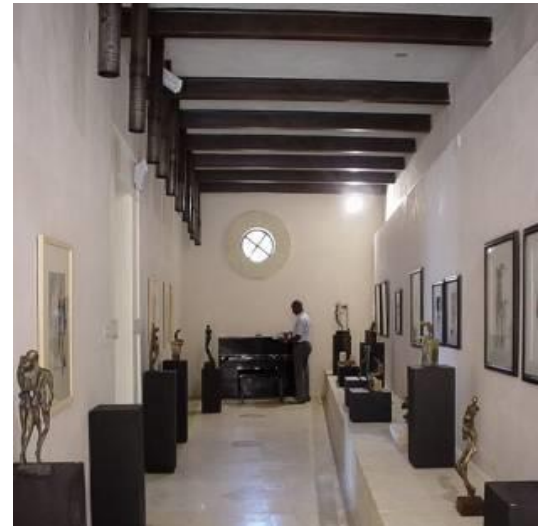


In the oldest part of Amman city is Al Weibdeh hill; the art Area in Amman where most of the galleries are located. Here you can enjoy the beauty of the exhibited art work and also enjoy a meal catered by one of five stars hotels in Amman.

Jabal Al Weibdeh is home to some of the most amazing views in Amman, where you can look upon both new and old parts of the city.

The unique & genuine façade of the buildings, reflecting the 20th century, will add a special touch to the venue.

Courtesy of Queen Nour Al-Hussein National Music Conservatoire, we will organize a live classical or Oriental Trio music show to entertain you during and after your meal.



Helicopter Ride



Private helicopter companies don't exist in Jordan, so we hire ours from the Royal Air Force. The helicopter pictured above is the same one which His Majesty King Abdullah II uses for his guests. The Super Puma is a four-bladed, twin-engine, medium-size utility helicopter marketed for both civil and military use.

Exclusive Wine Tastings or Vineyard Visits

Saint George Jordanian wine



Vineyard visits:

Enjoy a day trip to the vineyards of Saint George wines which is only an hour away from Amman. After exploring the vineyards you will be served a barbeque lunch and can swim in the secluded swimming pool there and bask in the sunlight.



Wine Tastings at the Winemaker:

Meet the wine maker Omar Zumot himself and get an insight into his passion for fine wine. Learn how it all began for wine making in Jordan. Then enjoy an evening of wine tasting of the Saint George wines accompanied either by a set menu dinner or a variety of cheeses, cold cuts and baguettes.

Saint George wines are considered by many to be the best local wines in Jordan and the makers are considered pioneers in wine making in Jordan.

The Citadel Gala Dinner



We can arrange a private orchestra to perform exclusively for our guests or provide any kind of live music entertainment. We can arrange a cocktail reception or an unforgettable dinner catered by one of the five star hotels in Amman. High above the city, at the ancient Citadel in the middle of the Roman temple ruins overlooking the old city of Amman or inside the Umayyad Palace located at the Citadel, anything is possible.



Gala Dinner at the Greco-Roman City of Jerash



Visit the city of Jerash at night and enjoy a privately and exclusively orchestrated dinner planned to the last detail.

Dinner will be catered by a five star hotel and you will eat your meal to the sound of a live pianist playing on stage of one of the many amphitheaters in Jerash.

Fireworks will light up the sky to make your night at the Roman city truly unforgettable.



Roman Army and Chariot Experience



Courtesy of the Roman Army and Chariot Experience (RACE), A&K Jordan is able to bring to life a display of Roman Army warfare techniques, including war machines in action, exclusively for our guests. Discover how the Romans lived many decades ago through this experience, set in a true ancient Roman city, Jerash.

Exclusive guided tour of the Baptism Site at the Jordan River by the Director of the Baptismal



Today you will be guided by a top research archaeologist who discovered the original site of the Baptism place where Jesus Christ was baptized by John the Baptist.

This tour will take you to the Baptism site at the Jordan River and to the settlement of Bethany where John the Baptist lived.

Special lecture by specialized Doctor in the American Center of Oriental Research (ACOR)



The American Center of Oriental Research (ACOR) conducts a huge number of research, excavations and conservation programs in Jordan. They work very closely with the Department of Antiquities in Jordan, as well as local communities, to maximize long-term support for their activities.

Cave Bar

The bar is located inside a Nabataean tomb in the hillside holding the Petra Guest House Hotel. It is a bar in a cave...sounds creepy, but it's not. It just feels like you're inside a man-made cave (which, basically, you are). There are several burial niches around the perimeter of the room, which offer cozy private tables for two or three people, and larger tables in the main room. Is this the most unique bar that you will ever go to as it offers the right mix of energy and maturity with which you can unwind after a busy day in the archaeological park.



Private Dinner at the Cave Bar



Upon arrival into Petra, A&K will be setting up the Nabataean Cave for a private dinner before your visit of Petra itself... the cave is located at the entrance of Petra.

Private Dinner at Little Petra

Dine under the stars at Beida or “Little Petra” as it is called among the local people, a 2,000 year old site in a magical rocky setting. Two Nabatean soldiers welcome you, while torches light the walkway which is covered with colourful Bedouin carpets, as they lead you towards the sound of an Arabic flute playing somewhere off in the distance. Your dining table is set in a dramatic canyon surrounded by mountains. Once seated, the sound of running horses gets closer and closer, announcing the arrival of the Nabatean “King” who welcomes you in Arabic, English and Nabatean. A sound and light show reveals the monument in all its glorious detail and showcases the sublime setting. Dinner is served, accompanied by oriental classical music that continues under the clear desert night sky.



Aqaba Fort Gala Dinner

A celebration fit for kings at the Aqaba ancient Fortress. This celebration will include a catered dinner at the site with live music and entertainment... HAIL Folklore Band will perform several shows during dinner with their state of art costumes.



Dead Sea Dinner

The Dead Sea is a holiday drive for visitors from around the world. Besides floating like a mermaid in this salt lake, A&K can arrange an oriental themed dinner right on the beach catered by one of the five star resorts there. This dinner includes sound & light, and a Billy dancing show. Guests to wear local outfits during the event.

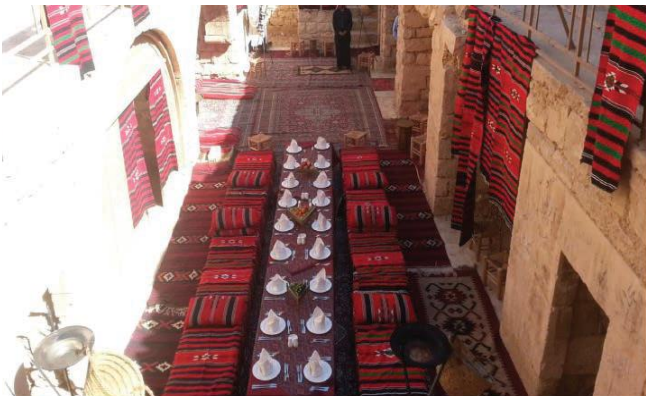


Lunch at Kerak Castle

A&K will set up the prison of the castle to transform it into the banqueting venue to host your lunch in this room, dating back to the crusaders' time.



Catering at Qatraneh



Our team will bring this Ancient Ottoman Palace back to life in order to host your guests for this special event.

In the middle of the desert, a five-star catering service will be provided with lunch and a folklore show.

Wadi Rum Sunset Reception

Watch the beautiful sunset in the desert while enjoying a glass of champagne along with some small finger food (canapés).



Madrasati Initiative/Al-Jazazeh School

The Al-Jazazeh School provides a place for kids who would otherwise not have the opportunity to be educated and receive education on a daily basis in a secure environment.

Identified originally by the “Madrasati Initiative”/Jordan River Foundation, that was set up and is led by Her Majesty Queen Rania of Jordan, the school continues to do its best to provide an education for the children with the limited resources available. Over the last few years Abercrombie & Kent Jordan has set out to foster its relationship with the school.

The Madrasati Initiative was launched by Her Majesty the Queen in April of 2008, with the aim of reaching out to 500 public schools in urgent need of assistance across Jordan. The Initiatives main goal is to rejuvenate the education experience of students and provide them with a safe and comfortable environment in which to learn, develop and grow. This is being achieved in partnership with local communities, private and public sector institutions and different civil society entities.



An exclusive visit to Al-Jazazeh School in Jerash:

A&K Jordan clients can visit the school in order to get a better understanding about the importance of this project and can also make donations should they wish it. Visits can be arranged all year round except in the summer which is when the school will be closed for summer break.