

Citadel: You can enjoy the best 360º views of Amman from Jabal Al-Qal'aa (Citadel Hill). Which has 自 been a focus for human settlemer since the Paleolithic Age, more than 18,000 years ago. Numerous excavations show Roman, Byzantine & Early Islamic remains, & excavations are continuing. Important structures are the Temple

of Hercules, the Umayyad Palace complex with its monumental audience hall, & a Byzantine church. The easiest way to reach the summit is by taxi; the ascent on foot (20min from Downtown) is extremely steep.

Sat-Thu (Oct-Mar): 8:00am-4:00pm - Sat-Thu (Apr-Sep): 8:00am-7:00pm - Fri (Year-round): 10:00am-4:00pm Admission: ID2

Grand Husseini Mosque:

The Grand Husseini Mosque is one of the oldest mosques in Amman, built by the late King Abdullah I in 1932 on the site of an older mosque built by the second Caliph, Omar Bin Al-Khattab around 640 AD. The Mosque is pink & white striped on the outside. Tourists may be able to enter if dressed appropriately.
Photographs are not

Roman Theater: The Roman Theater, is believed to have been built by Emperor Pius between 138-161 AD. It was originally designed to hold 6000 people, with officials & rulers closest to the stage, the military in the middle & the public at the top . The theater was restored in 1970. Still used frequently for civic activities ranging from concerts to graduations ceremonies, this site is the iconic core of Al-Balad, reminding us of the ancient history of the oasis. Don't forget



to look across from the Roman theater to the Citadel commanding the height above the city.

Folklore Life Museum: The Folklore Museum gives visitors a taste of Jordan's culture & heritage. The eastern section covers Jordan's three main cultures: Bedouin life (the desert), village life (rural countryside), & city life, providing the necessary context to understand the cultures & popular traditions of Jordan & Palestine during late 19th & early 20th centuries. The western section exhibits traditional costumes & jewelry worn in various regions of Jordan & Palestine

9:00am-5:00pm (summer) - 9:00am-4:00pm (winter) Admission: includes site & museum JD1 (inside Roman Theater), Downtown +962 6 465 17 60 /42



overview of the country's antiquities ranging from the Paleolithic era to the Islamic era. Some of the more unique items include ancient plaster statues from Ain Ghazal, the largest Neolithic community in the Middle East, & haunting Iron Age coffins

unearthed during renovations at Raghadan Palace. 8:00am-6:00pm (summer) - 8:00am-5:00pm (winter) Admission: includes site & museum JD2 Citadel Hill, Jabal Al-Qala'a +962 6 463 87 95

Jordan Museum: This exciting museum tells the story of Jordan, looking at land & man from Paleolithic to modern times. There are three major galleries, which cover the historical chronology of galleries, which cover the historical chronology of Jordan, & several hands-on thematic areas. There is the archaeology gallery, folklore gallery & gallery of contemporary history of Jordan. There are over 40 interactive terminals & audio visuals that compliment the exhibit throughout the museum.

Daily: 10:00am-2:00pm (except Tues & Fri)

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Al-Balad Theater: Al-Balad Theater was established by renovating an old cinema house built in the 1940s. Maintaining its classic, old-world charm & atmosphere, Al-Balad Theater is a multi-purpose artistic & community space that promotes young artistic talent from Jordan & the wider region. Visitors can enjoy local, regional & international art, music, dance & theater performances & festivals year round such as Hakaya,

Al-Balad Music Festival, Amman Jazz Festival, Wow Baladk Street Art Festival & much more. Its Music Market sells

Rainbow Theater: The Rainbow Art

House Theater is an independent arts & entertainment venue located in Jabal Amman. Built in the early 1950's,

it is both a cinema & theater & was recently restored to

its former glory. Rainbow Film Club Screenings are held every weekday - from Hollywood classics to the best of

international & independent cinema. On weekends the spectacular "Live @ The Rainbow" show provides new

& unique performances from local talents - to stand-up comedy to live music of all genres & more.

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Al-Hussein Cultural Center:

next to the Greater Amman Municipality
headquarters. Its facilities include a theater, halls & a

library that host activities such as musicals, celebrations

film festivals, plays & other events to compliment the

Amman Municipality's role in supporting local & international culture & arts, as well as artistic, intellectual

Ras Al-Ain, next to Greater Amman Municipality, Downtown +962 6 4735188

Dukes Diwan" in Arabic means

the sections of the house where the doors are always open to guests. The Dukes Diwan is one of the oldest,

well preserved stone buildings in the heart of Amman. Built in 1924 it caught the attention of Mamdouh Bisharat, the "Duke of Mukheibeh", who immediately

Bisharat, the "Duke of Mukheibeh", who immediately leased the building & set it up as an example & pioneer project to stand up to the onslaught of concrete & aluminum "culture" with the aim of keeping the city's authenticity & character alive in the collective memory of its inhabitants. The

Diwan's doors are always open for visitors. Casual discussions regarding the history of Amman regularly take place with guests including royals,

intellectuals, writers, poets, artists, historians, students, friends of ancient Amman as

Jadal Cultural Center: Jadal Cultural Center is an art gallery, book shop & internet café that offers an open, interactive space to promote art in all its

forms: contemporary dance, music, cinema, literature, photography, painting & more.

Daily: 11:00am-10:00pm Al-Kalha Steps between King Hussein St. &

Salt St., Jabal Luweibdeh +962 79 9195993 jadalculture.com facebook.com/Jadal.Amman

The Royal Film Commission:

The RFC regularly hosts a program of eye-opening films and film related lectures as well as housing an extensive film library & a café.

entrance & a balcony at the rear that overlooks a stunning view of Downtown Amman & the Citadel.

Mon-Thu: 9:00am-5:30pm - Sun: 9:00am-5:30pm

The building itself is noteworthy. It was built in 1934, with a grand

& creative talents in liaison with the local community.

facebook.com/pages/The-Rainbow-Theater

Al-Hussein Cultural Center is located

Mon-Sun: 3:00pm-10:30pm

al-balad.org facebook.com/AlBaladtheater

ependent music from local & regional artists.

Yazed Ben Abi Sofian St., Jabal Amman +962 6 4652005

& dining experience located in Jabal Luweibdeh. Learn how to prepare a traditional four-course Arabic meal, then sit back & unwind in an authentic Jordanian setting with good food, the beats of the city, & the dazzling view of old Amman. Visit their website to pre-select your meals & make a reservation.

16 Mohammad Ali Al-Sa'di St., Jabal Luweibdeh +962 77 7557744 facebook.com/BeitSitti

Beit Sitti:

grandmother's house'

is an authentic cooking

Folofel Al-Quds: Falafel Al-Quds or Quds Cafeteria is famous among locals & tourists alike for its fresh falafel sandwiches. Strategically located on the busy Rainbow Street, this tiny place has been serving falafel sandwiches since 1966. It's a street

food icon of Amman that you can't miss.

Daily: 7:00am-10:00pm Rainbow St., Jabal Amman +962 6 4652243 facebook.com/falafelalquds

Habiba: Habiba is a sweets shop that sells two types of kanafah: Na'ameh (soft crust) & Kheshneh (shredded). Kanafah is one of Jordan's favorite sweets & so it's a must-try. Habiba was founded in 1952 by Nabulsis who migrated to Amman, & though there are now a number of outlets throughout the city, this one is the most famous & a Balad tradition.

Hoshem: Hashem restaurant is perhaps the most well-known restaurant in Amman, & everyone eats

here, including the Jordanian Royal Family. Founded by Hashem al-Turk in the 1920s, the restaurant is open throughout the day whether for an early breakfast or a late night snack. Ask for everything – plain falafel, falafel stuffed with onions, hummus, fool (tasty faba bean paste), Arabic bread, french fries & mint tea (no coffee).

Shawerma Reem: Shawerma Reem is renowned for their mouth watering beef shawerma wraps. Tucked in a tiny space by the 2nd Circle in Jabal Amman, the store is easy to spot as there is usually a line of people waiting outside for their famous shawerma.

Sat-Thurs: 10:00am-3:00am - Fri: 1:00pm-1:00am Second Circle, Jabal Amman +962 6 4645725 +962 79 6504584

SUGONI NUTS: Buy a bag of freshly roasted peanuts & participate in a classic tale of migration in the Middle East. The founder, late Omar Barnawi (Abu Ahmed), left Nigeria heading to Mecca for Hajj. He got stranded in Sudan (hence the name Sudani) for sometime. He then eventually found his way to large least the late that the state of the st Sudani Nuts: Buy a bag of to Jerusalem, where he sold roasted peanuts outside Damascus Gate. In 1948, Abu Ahmed moved to Amman where he set up his stand at the entrance of the Gold Souk & became a fixture of Al-Balad's landscape.

Tamreyet Omar: Located on the 2nd Circle in Jabal Amman, Tamreyet Omar is one of the most famous dessert spots in Amman. For almost four decades they have been making Jordan's best Arabic desserts including awameh, zeinab's fingers & tamreyeh made from sweet fried dough.

Daily: 11:00am-11:00pm 1 Abu Tammam St., Second Circle, Jabal Amman +962 6 4646119

Dar Al-Anda: The word "Dar" means home in Arabic & Dar Al-Anda is a welcoming home for the arts that combines exhibition spaces, concerts & cultural events in the intimate setting of a restored historic home. This gallery brings both visual & auditory arts together. Dar Al-Anda also offers studio spaces & guest quarters for artists-in-residence.

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Darat Al-Funun:

Darat Al-Funun is a home for the arts & artists of Jordan & the Arab World. Affiliated with the Khalid Shoman

Foundation for the Arts, it's grounds encompass three historic buildings dating back to the 1920s as well as the remains of a sixth century Byzantine church, built over a Roman temple. Their exhibitions showcase a collection of contemporary art from the Arab World as well as works from the private collection of the Khalid Shoman foundation. A wide selection of events are often organized outdoors, including concerts & readings. Take note of the villa's architectural beauty, with its traditional front balcony & patterned-tile floors. Lectures, film screenings & artist talks are offered on Tuesdays at 6:30pm & are open to the public - make sure to check their schedule online for upcoming programs.

Sat-Thu: 10:00am-7:00pm Nadeem Al-Mallah St. (main entrance)/ 9 Moh'd Ali Al-Saadi st. (upper entrance), Jabal Luweibdeh +962 6 4643251/ 2 facebook.com/DaratAlFunun daratalfunun.org

Darat Al-Tasweer: Photography buffs can share their passion at "Darat Al-Tasweer" (House of Photography). Darat Al-Tasweer holds regular photography exhibitions, as well as courses, workshops & photography trips.

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Duinde Gallery/ Salam Kanaan Gallery:

The homey gallery & café has a vibrant & youthful buzz, making it a unique meeting place. Salam Kanaan originally used this building as his own private gallery, with his atelier downstairs. As he gradually opened the space to friends, he was encouraged to open Dunide to everyone, & Jabal Amman is richer as a result.

24 Rainbow St., Jabal Amman +962 6 4610277 +962 6 4610216 salamkanaan.com

Fann wa Chai: Art Gallery, Tea Room and Internet Café. The creative space regularly hosts exhibitions, live music & poetry readings. Make sure to check their schedule on their facebook page. 25 Kulliyat Al-Sharee'ah St., Jabal Luweibdeh

+962 7 98082004 facebook.com/FannWaChai

Jacaranda Images:

Jacaranda Images is a gallery dedicated to prints & works on paper. Here you can find photography, drawings, etching, lithographs & screen prints, by emerging as well as established Jordanian & international artists. Their collection is suitable for those looking for affordable prints, or wanting something unique for their home or their professional environment.

Mon-Sun: 11:00am-8:00pm 18 Omar Bin Al Khattab St., Jabal Amman +962 6 4644050 jacarandaimages.com facebook.com/Jacarandalmages

The Jordan National Gallery Of Fine Arts:

was established by the Royal Society of Fine Arts in 1980. It is one of the major art museums in the Middle East & has the largest collection of artworks by contemporary artists from the developing world. Its collection comprises over 2350 works, including paintings, prints, El Como & sculptures, photographs, installations, weaving, video

art, & ceramics by more than 900 artists from 65 countries. The gallery organizes exhibitions by distinguished local & international artists.

Daily (except Tues & Fri): 9:00am-7:00pm (summer) 9:00am-5:00pm (winter) Admission: ID5 Hosni Fareez St., Jabal Luweibdeh +962 6 4630128 nationalgallery.org

Sculpture Garden: The Sculpture Garden is a must-visit for art lovers, located in a park between the two buildings of The Jordan Gallery of Fine Arts. Visitors can stroll along the garden's peaceful paths enjoying a number of art installations in the open air.

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Love On A Bike:

The whimsy of Rima Malallah's art is hinted at by the sky blue front to her art gallery & store. Malallah started her personal gallery because she was always creating, & her distinct style caught Amman's eye. Her one of a kind shop features a host of goodies for sale, from custom furniture to

jewelry, in addition to artwork & ceramics.

Mon-Thu: 10:00am-6:00pm - Sat-Sun: 10:00am-6:00pm 34 Khirfan St., Jabal Amman +962 79 6433311

facebook.com/LoveOnABike loveonabike.com

Mokon Art Space: Makan is an independent dynamic art space for artists in Amman. It hosts a studio space, an art library, spectacular views & a cozy area for people to meet. Makan often partners with other arts organizations to put together exhibitions, programs & projects, with a special focus on art in public spaces. In addition, it offers a residency program, allowing regional & international artists to work, research & interact with the local environment & art scene.

21 Nadim Al-Mallah St., Jabal Luweibdeh +962 6 4631969 makanhouse.net

Nobod Gallery: Nabad is a distinctive cultural space that exhibits & provides contemporary art by emerging & established visual artists from the region & abroad. Nabad also houses an art studio, where drawing & painting lessons are offered for all age groups. Housed in a renovated 1930s residence that has been adapted for re-use as an art 0

gallery, Nabad enjoys outstanding views of the old city. Its small front garden is a charming introduction to its peaceful ambiance. Nabad not only has its finger on the pulse of Amman's emerging art community, but also on the heart of the city itself.

46 Uthman Bin Affan St. (4th left turn on Rainbow St.), Jabal Amman +926 6 4655084 nabadartgallery.com facebook.com/Nabad.ArtGallery

Wadi Finan Art Gallery:

The gallery features many emerging artists & offers a variety of courses, including training for art teachers, team building, art therapy & workshops for children, adults & seniors. The gallery's thrust is education & this is reflected in its comfortable, friendly atmosphere. Wadi Finan coordinated with Souk Jara, to have artists paint live at the souk, offering an opportunity for the public to gain a deeper understanding of the artistic process.

Mon-Thu: 9:00am-8:00pm - Fri: 10:00am-10:00pm Sat-Sun: 9:00am-8:00 pm 7 Moh'd AL Sharebi St., Jabal Amman +962 6 4636939

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Urdon Shop: Urdon Shop introduces a unique Jordanian experience through a brand that reflects the diversity of the Kingdom & the creativity of its people. The special shopping experience adds modern appeal to proud heritage, where you'll find quality original products made by various local communities. Coupled with "Urdon Cafe" on top of the premise, visitors have the ideal spot to relax with panoramic views overlooking the Citadel & the gorgeous scenery of Old Amman. The café offers authentic Jordanian food exquisitely prepared to cater for the genuine-taste thirsty, & presents a whole cultural experience in a contemporary style.

Daily: 10:00am-10:00pm 44 Othman Bin Afan St., Jabal Amman +9626 4631921 urdonshop.jo facebook.com/UrdonShop

division of the Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature RSCN & is responsible for conserving Jordan's rich biodiversity. This is the best place to find out about Jordan's spectacular nature reserves & eco-lodges. Here you can book hikes, activities, or stays throughout the Kingdom. It houses a gift shop of fine crafts & delicacies made by local cooperatives along with a lovely café, offering free wifi & healthy organic food.

Wild Jordan: Wild Jordan is a branded

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Souk Al-Bukhariueh:

Souk Al-Bukhariyeh is a fantastic shopping area for souvenirs ranging from lamps to tiles & prayer beads to teapots. The souk (market) was founded in 1929 by a group of Bukhara Muslims who had fled the new Soviet government in Bukhara. As you explore the narrow souks you'll be surprised at how much is tucked away in this shopping area, which seem quite small from the outside.

Souk Al-Dahab (Gold Souk): At the Gold Souk, lit up by the hue of gold vying for attention through the windows, jewelry of every shape & attention through the windows, jewelry of every shape & style imaginable (both gold & silver) hangs to tempt passersby. Wander into & among the little alleys off to the right & see where most of Amman buy their wedding trousseau. The traditional 21-carat gold of the souk is sold by weight, & so the fine workmanship is essentially a gift. If you see the first customer of the days the first customer of the days. are the first customer of the day, you might be part of an old gold souk might be part of an old gold souk tradition & receive a special discount from the merchant so as to bless the

day with an early sale. Enjoy bargaining here for whatever takes your fancy.

Souk Al-Sukar (Sugar Market): The market was named after its founders, the Sukar family. Enter the souk & enjoy the hubbub created by the merchants as they call out what is for sale from a wide range of fruit & vegetables, to nuts, pasta & spices. Walk straight ahead (explore the alleys to the left to experience the energy of this bustling market but be sure to return to continue the walk), take the first turn right at the only right hand turn before the end of the market. At

other shops for sp...
where you can enjoy the aroma & ...,
some purchases before taking the left
turn. After a short distance turn left
again, passing by numerous
shops that will excite your sense,
selling nuts, spices & dried herbs
all beautifully displayed for
purchase by individual weights. the end of this short street notice Kabatilo & other shops for spices on the right corner

Souk Joro: Souk Jara is a popular, easy-going flea market of antiques, crafts, t-shirts, art & food, that takes place in the summer months. Established by JARA (the Jabal Amman Residents' Association), it often includes impromptu concerts, film screenings & other exciting activities.

Fri:10:00am-10:00pm (between mid-May & early September) Fawzi Malouf St., Rainbow St., Jabal Amman +962 6 4634760 facebook.com/SoukJara

Souk Mongo: Downtown Amman (Al-Balad) is the old market, where you can shop for new or vintage fabrics, accessories, antiques, furniture, electrical equipment, fruits & vegetables, gold & basically anything you can think of. Downtown is a warren of alleyways that are full of interesting & quirky souks to explore. Souk Mango sells all kinds of fabrics and clothing.



5 Omar Bin Al Khattab St., Jabal Amman +962 6 4642266 film.jo facebook.com/FilmJo Ras Al-Ain, next to Greater Amman Municipality,