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# LEBANON

MEDITERRANEAN SEA



## COUNTRY INFORMATION

Capital: Beirut Time Zone: GMT +2 Currency: Lebanese Pound  
Language: Arabic (official), French, English, Armenian  
Dialling Code: +961 Population: Approximately 4.5 million Area: 10.452 square kilometers  
Weekend: Sunday is the official holiday. Saturday and Sunday are enterprise closing days Religion: Muslim, Christian, Druze

## COUNTRY FACTS

- Lebanon, the country, was occupied by over 16 countries (Egyptians - Hittites - Assyrians - Babylonians - Persians - Alexander the great's Army - the Roman Empire Byzantine - the Arabian Peninsula - The Crusaders - the Ottoman Empire - Britain - France - Israel - Syria).
- According to Christianity, Jesus Christ made his 1st miracle in Lebanon, in Sidon (The miracle of turning water into wine).
- The name LEBANON appears 75 times in the Old Testament • The name CEDAR (Lebanon's tree) appears 75 times too in the Old Testament.
- Beirut was destroyed and rebuilt 7 times (this is why it's compared to The Phoenix).
- The creators of Tom & Jerry are originally Lebanese. (Joseph Barbara & William Hanna)
- King Solomon's temple was built with Lebanon's cedars.
- The creator and the production manager of the iPod is originally Lebanese. (Tony Fadel)
- The richest man in the world comes from a Lebanese descent. (Carlos Slim)
- The 1st law school in the world was built in Lebanon, in Downtown Beirut
- There are 4.5 Million Lebanese in Lebanon and around 18 Million Lebanese outside Lebanon
- Byblos is the oldest continuously living city in the world • Lebanon is the only Arab and Asian country that has absolutely no desert and camels
- The first alphabet was created in Byblos
- Egypt's Pharaohs imported Lebanon's cedars, marble and timber
- In springtime, and on the same day, you can ski in the mountains and/or swim in the sea

# JEITA, BYBLOS & BATROUN CITY TOUR

Pick up around 9:00 AM, to discover one of the most impressive and interesting natural sites.

**Jeita Grotto**, the jewel of tourism in Lebanon, was chosen as an official finalist representing Lebanon and selected as one of the 14 worldwide landmarks new7wonders of nature competition. The visit will include entrance to the Upper Grotto and a short boat trip in the Lower Grotto.

## Upper Grotto:

A visit on foot with an exciting adventure over a distance of some 700 m from the cave's total length of 2200 m will stun the visitor with the spectacular beauty of the extraordinary amazing limestone formations.

## Lower Grotto:

A short dreamy boat trip over a distance of some 400 m from the cave's total of 7800 m will captivate the visitor carrying him to another world full of peace and haunting splendor. Jeita Grotto is the superb work of Mother Nature. It's unimaginable how nature has sculpted such a masterpiece! At every step an astonishing limestone formation will surprise you!

Then continue to **Byblos** one of the oldest continuously-inhabited cities in the world, Byblos is a rare gem among archeological sites. Excavations show that it dates back to the 06th millennium BC. Its ancient inhabitants did not call it Byblos, but rather "Gubla" and later "Gebal." Around 1200 BC, the Greeks gave the city the name Byblos, which is Greek for "Papyrus," since it was famous for its papyrus trade. Winner of the Golden Apple award for excellence in tourism in 2014, Byblos (Jbeil in Arabic) is today a very charming city distinguished for its gorgeous ancient harbor, seaside fish restaurants, ancient souks, and charming residential neighborhoods, which date back to the Middle Ages, as well as an absolutely enormous wealth of historic sites and ruins. Byblos was chosen as the Arab capital of tourism for the year 2016 by the Arab Council of Tourism. The tour includes visit to St. John Crusader Castle, the old souks and the fossil museum.

Then continue to **Batroun**. The charming coastal town of Batroun was a flourishing city and port in Phoenician times (3000 - 64 BC). The ancient Phoenician wall still stands guard over the city against the Mediterranean Sea. Batroun is famous for its summer season attractions — water sports, beach clubs and nightlife — but interestingly enough, the town retains much of its older splendor, with narrow, winding alleys making up its inner neighborhoods of dense housing, incorporated into the walls of its Crusader castle. Be sure to take a stroll through the 19th century souk, where artisanal goods are still produced and restaurants and cafes offer local cuisine and Batroun's highly prized lemonade. Also on display are the St. Stephan's Cathedral, the 19th-century Orthodox Church of Saint-Georges, and the Lady of the Sea Chapel (Saydet elBahr), as well as the remains of the ancient Roman theater's 11 tiers, which incorporates a garden where the stage once stood. Then ending the tour with a refreshing boat trip along the coast of Batroun

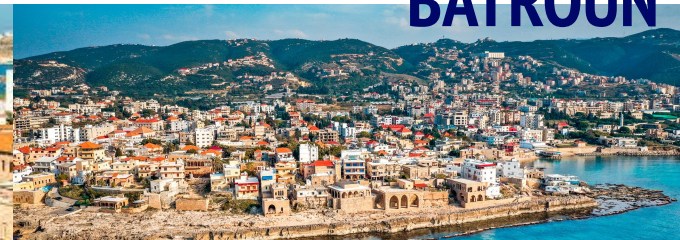
## JEITA



## BYBLOS



## BATROUN



# PACKAGE DETAILS

Total per Person // USD

30 PAX

50 USD

## RATES INCLUDE

- Professional English tour guide during the tours
- Transportation by modern A/C vehicle
- Entrance fees where applicable
- Golf cart for Batroun city tour
- 11% VAT

## RATES EXCLUDE

- Visa & portage fees
- Tips for driver and guide
- Hotel
- Lunch & Dinner

**NOTES:** Above rates are operated on private basis and based on a group of 30 pax.

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