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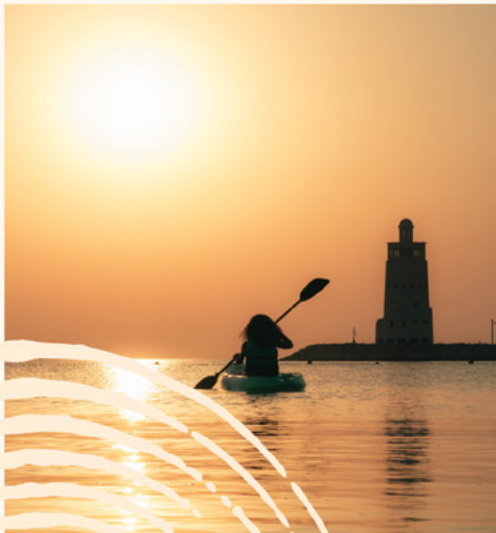
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QATAR TOURISM WINS THREE AWARDS AT MENA DIGITAL AWARDS

Qatar Tourism (QT) received three awards at the Mena Digital Awards, which aim to promote digital innovation and media in the region.

QT was awarded Best Web Platform, Best Application (Mobile/Tablet), and Best Use of Digital in the Travel, Sport, and Entertainment Sector.

The Best Web Platform award recognises QT's Visit Qatar websites for its quality, UX approach, technology, degree of customisation, multi-platform adaptation, utility, and more. The Best Application (Mobile/Tablet) award highlights the original and innovative approach showcased by QT's Visit Qatar mobile application.

The Best Use of Digital in the Travel, Sport, and Entertainment Sector award demonstrates QT's effectiveness in using digital platforms and channels to deliver a holistic brand experience.

In a press statement, Sheikha Noor Abdulla al-Thani, acting head of Tourism Events and Festivals Organising Section at QT, said: "As part of our long-term strategy to position Qatar as a leading, world-class tourist destination, we are focused on creating innovative and curated travel experiences for our guests.

"Our website and app prioritise user-centricity and deliver personalised recommendations for travellers to create itineraries that can suit their every preference while in Qatar."

The Visit Qatar mobile application presents the destination in innovative formats such as 360-degree videos, while offering data-driven, catalogued and inspirational experiences for its users.

The Visit Qatar website and mobile application are available in eight languages: English, French, Italian, Arabic, German, Turkish and Spanish, and Mandarin.





QATAR'S TOURISM BOOM SPARKS ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION AND SURGE IN INVESTMENTS

Qatar's flourishing tourism sector not only brings investment opportunities but also significantly contributes to job creation, marking a shift away from traditional sectors like oil and gas, an industry expert has said.

"It has a ripple effect, creating jobs in related industries such as hospitality, entertainment, retail, construction and other services," Mosaad Moustafa Eleiwa, the founder and managing director of Outing Qatar, told Gulf Times as he underlined the transformative impact of the growing tourism industry on Qatar's economy.

He said the burgeoning sector is also stimulating Qatar's real estate market, attracting increased investments in both commercial and residential properties.

Eleiwa cited a recent meeting with a British visitor, who inspired by his experience, rented a luxury car and expressed plans to open a company in Doha. This, he said, underscores the positive impact of tourism on attracting foreign investment and fostering economic diversity.

He said Qatar, to bolster this momentum, implemented a series of initiatives aimed at attracting more visitors and promoting tourism. Key among these strategies, he added, is a substantial investment in infrastructure development, featuring world-class hotels, airports and transportation systems to enhance the overall visitor experience.

According to Eleiwa, the country also positioned itself as a global hub for major international events. Following the success of hosting the 2022 FIFA World Cup, he said Qatar continues to attract attention with events like the Qatar Open in tennis, the Qatar Masters in golf, the MotoGP Grand Prix, the Asian Cup, and various year-round international events and exhibitions.



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attract visitors arriving by sea, broadening the spectrum of experiences offered by the country.

“These initiatives collectively contribute to Qatar’s efforts to position itself as a leading tourism destination, offering a mix of cultural, sporting, and entertainment experiences for visitors from around the world,” he said.

Eleiwa said Qatar Tourism (QT) emerged as a crucial player in these endeavours as it actively participates in international events and exhibitions to showcase the nation’s diverse offerings. By collaborating with national and international stakeholders,

he said QT aims to improve the overall visitor experience through smart goals and campaigns.

He noted that strategies prioritised by Qatar’s tourism sector include ensuring ease of access to the country from land, sea and sky, as well as building networks and collaborating with international tourism organisations, travel agencies and airlines. These partnerships, he added, facilitate joint marketing efforts and help attract tourists from new source markets, ultimately contributing to Qatar’s sustainable growth, economic benefits, and overall development.

He noted that Qatar Airways, the national carrier, plays a key role in connecting the nation to the world. The airline’s global network and high-quality services contribute to Qatar’s allure as a luxury travel destination, with visa facilitation and stopover options further enticing travellers, he added.

Eleiwa pointed out that a noteworthy focus has been on developing cruise tourism, with investments in Doha’s old port facilities and initiatives to position Qatar as a cruise destination. These efforts, he stressed, aim to



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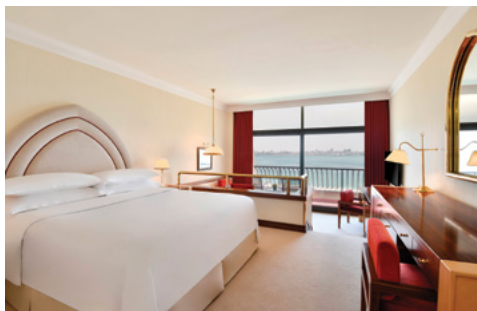


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QATAR'S ALLURE SOARS

THE ULTIMATE DESTINATION OF CHOICE FOR GCC TOURIST

Qatar has become a main tourist destination for a wide segment of the GCC citizens who prefer to spend their holidays and weekends in the country, especially during the winter, local Arabic daily Arrayah reported.

As the temperature has started to drop considerably over the past few weeks, the country has started to see influx of GCC tourists, whether families or groups of young people who are keen to start with Souq Waqif, then visit some popular destinations such as Msheireb, Katara - Cultural Village, Old Doha Port, Lusail, The Pearl Island and the various venues of Expo 2023 Doha.

Speaking to Arrayah, a number of those tourists stressed that they find in Qatar the much sought after privacy for families. Besides, the country is very easily accessible to them so that they can come and stay for short vacations of even a couple of days and enjoy many interesting sites conveniently. They also pointed out that Qatar has succeeded in maintaining a sophisticated tourist infrastructure while keeping its traditions and heritage alive. Besides, the country has a very effective transport system that has reduced potential traffic crowds to the minimum.

Hassan al-Burasheed, from Bahrain, said it is his first time in Qatar, and he was amazed by the development and sophistication he saw across the country. He stressed that this has made him very proud of Qatar, as it is considered one of the best tourist destinations in the region.

Omar Salim, from Oman, said that the country enjoys a high level of safety and security, making it a haven for family tourism. Besides, GCC families enjoy the privacy they highly value in Qatar. He noted that the organisation of Expo 2023 Doha is very successful and he was keen to accompany his family there.

Saif al-Anzi, from Saudi Arabia, said that many Saudi tourists prefer to spend their weekends in Qatar and they keep coming again and again, as the country has excellent tourist facilities and offer the best services at competitive prices. Further, it is very easy to come to the country.



World Cup legacy boosts Qatar's tourism sector with 157% surge

Qatar has welcomed more than 2.56mn visitors from January until August 25 this year, exceeding the full-year arrival figures witnessed in 2022 and marking a 157% increase over the same period last year, Qatar Tourism (QT) announced recently.

In a press statement, QT noted that the latest achievement bears testimony to Qatar's rising global position as a leading tourism destination, a status influenced by the successful hosting of the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022.

Qatar's tourism sector has also been boosted by the extension of existing Hayya card holders and the relaunch of the Hayya platform, which is now the go-to portal for travellers who require a visa to enter Qatar.

Visitors to Qatar hail from around the world, with countries in the top 10 being Saudi Arabia, India, Germany, US, Kuwait, Oman, Bahrain, UK, the UAE, and Pakistan.

Over the past months, QT has launched several campaigns and initiatives to boost Qatar's tourism sector and raise global awareness of Qatar's expanded hospitality offering. Immediately after the FIFA World Cup, QT launched its 'Feel More in Qatar' global campaign which positions Qatar as the Middle East's top choice for the well-traveled tourist, focusing on families.

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The brand platform saw seasonal iterations throughout 2023, with 'Feel Winter in Qatar,' 'Feel Eid in Qatar' and other campaigns targeting worldwide audiences with travel offers and seasonal activations.

In addition, QT has delved into its business tourism segment, showcasing the country's premium assets which include its national airline, award-winning airport, brand-new transportation system, and suite of conference venues at regional and international travel fairs.

Growing its track record of hosting major events and conferences, Qatar has so far this year held the 9th Annual Destination Planners Congress – the world's biggest B2B event for destination weddings, the Doha Jewellery and Watches Exhibition – the only B2B and B2C event of its kind in the region, and the UFI MEA Regional Conference – the Middle East's largest gathering of senior business event professionals, Geneva International Motor Show – Qatar, Formula 1, Qatar Travel Mart, Made in Qatar, to name a few.

The growth in visitor numbers is also owing to heightened focus on Qatar's cruise tourism. The country's newly renovated port is strategically located in the heart of Doha, allowing visitors to make the most out of their short stay in the city.

In the 2022/23 cruise season (end of April close), QT welcomed international ships such as Costa Toscana, AIDAcosma, and Emerald Azzura for the very first time, while MSC Cruises & Costa Cruises offered seven-night itineraries around the Gulf, also for the first time.

In 2022, Qatar inaugurated the state-of-the-art Grand Cruise Terminal which features classic Arabian architecture and is conveniently situated near famous landmarks such as the National Museum of Qatar and Souq Waqif.



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Accommodations Fit for Royalty

The Chedi Katara features 91 keys with 59 rooms and suites, 32 villas, and stunning views of the Arabian Gulf against the scenic Hills of Katara. The luxurious villas include private gardens and pools for the Royal Villa up to 10 adults and 4 children, along with a double spa suite.



Wellness Oasis: The Spa and The Gym

The Chedi Katara prioritizes holistic wellness at The Spa, a serene retreat inspired by Eastern philosophy. Guests can experience rejuvenating rituals and wellness treatments blending aromatherapy, Ayurveda, and herbalism. The Spa offers private spa suites, dedicated



hammams, and a Couple's Room. Next to The Spa, The Gym provides a motivating setting with state-of-the-art fitness equipment and scenic views of the Katara Hills.

Meeting Excellence

For corporate gatherings and executive meetings, The Chedi Katara offers two professionally equipped meeting rooms. The

commitment to exceptional and personalized service ensures every event is a memorable success.

Poolside Bliss and Private Beach Retreat

The Chedi Pool, a 60-meter oasis nestled between the hotel and a private beach, invites relaxation with cabanas and sun beds. Maintained at a comfortable temperature throughout the year, it's an ideal setting for leisure. The 300-meter shoreline of the fully serviced private beach is equipped with umbrellas, towels, and daybeds, available daily from 8:00 am to sunset.

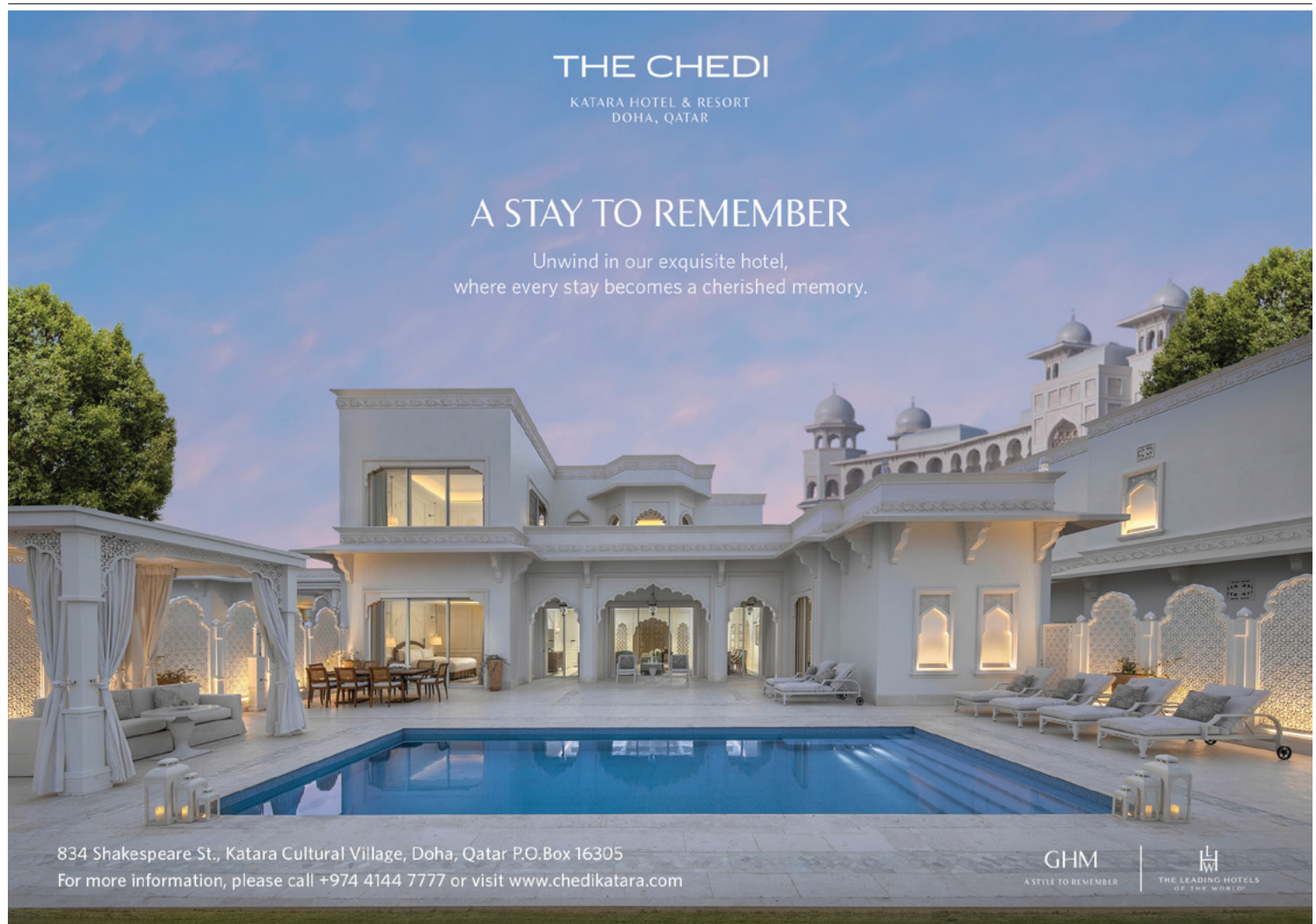
Culinary Delights

At The Chedi Katara, diverse dining venues blend flavors from the Levant, Asia, and beyond. From Arabic, Indian, Asian, Japanese, to Western dishes at The Restaurant, and Mediterranean/Middle Eastern classics at La Marsa overwater. The hotel offers a luxurious and culturally rich experience in the heart of Qatar's Katara Cultural Village.

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Adding Yet Another Feather to Qatar's Cap in Hosting Global Events

The 9th of October 2019 witnessed a prominent event and a new achievement added to Qatar's records, when at that time HE Minister of Municipality and Environment Dr. Abdullah bin Abdulaziz bin Turki Al Subaie formally received the flag of organizing the International Horticultural Exhibition (EXPO 2023) from 2019 organizer China, in the presence of senior officials of the International Horticultural Exhibition as well as representatives of the Bureau International des Expositions (BIE). This marked the first step to Expo 2023 Doha.

Qatar receiving the right to host this event reflects international confidence in its efforts and its skillful organization of major global events at various levels, in addition to its pivotal role in coordinating global efforts to achieve Sustainable Development Goals.

Qatar seized the opportunity during its participation in Expo 2019 Beijing four years ago, sending a clear message when its pavilion won first place in outstanding performance, stating that Expo Doha will be a milestone in excellence by holding this global event in a manner consistent with international

requirements and global standards in terms of well organization and punctuality.

COVID-19 affected the holding of the event as it was postponed for two years and new dates were set; Expo Doha rescheduled to take place from Oct. 2, 2023 to March 28, 2024.

Work did not stop during the two years, as the cadres of the relevant authorities in Qatar, with the support of the country's leadership and relevant government ministries, mobilized their efforts and raced against time to present the best possible version of the event that befits the undeniable reputation of Qatar when it comes to events organization.

Expo 2023 Doha comes months after the conclusion of one of the most successful global events hosted by Doha, the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022. The event was heavily talked about, and everyone still remembers the beautiful moments and the masterful touches that Qatar spent years working on, as well as the strenuous efforts, acquired experience and huge projects, which all gained international praise from various parties that attended and watched the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022.

Regardless of its size, Qatar overcame its geographical challenges and pushed towards large horizons, becoming a bright spot at various levels. The country's leadership and human cadres proved their ability to confront the biggest global challenges with open and generous arms towards those who are near and far.

Qatar is aware that it is the first country with a desert climate in the Middle East and North Africa to host an International Horticultural Exhibition with an A1 classification, which reflects the level of confidence in the country's ability to hold the event regardless of the challenges. The event will attract hundreds of thousands of visitors who are looking for new innovations, anticipated projects and unprecedented solutions, at a time when the world is in dire need of help to face multiple climate threats, which recently had a major negative impact on the region reflected in the increase of the area of desertification, dry seasons and the decrease of green spaces.

There is no doubt that Qatar is aiming to include its history and heritage in this global event to reflect the nobility of its identity, as

the design for the Qatari pavilion at the Expo 2023 Doha is inspired by one of the country's most important geographical landmarks Ras Abrouq, a peninsula consisting of white cliffs carved by winds and natural erosion located on the western coast of Qatar.

According to historians, Ras Abrouq includes the remains of human settlements dating back to prehistoric times. This reflects the organizers' goal to have a model that combines heritage and modern design, where a sophisticated design and Qatari art will be embodied.

Expo 2023 Doha is being held under the theme "Green Desert, Better Environment". Spanning 1.7 million square meters in the heart of Doha Al Bidda Park.

The organizers expect that Expo 2023 Doha will attract three million visitors from more than eighty countries in an unforgettable 179-day event that will include daily and weekly activities that befit the international visitors and their diverse cultures.

Qatar's determination to overcome the challenge of holding the event in the best way stems from the accumulation of experiences gained from organizing successive global events over the past few years, which aligns with Qatar National Vision 2030 that places environmental management and sustainable development at the top of the list of goals and priorities. Qatar is also committed to providing a unique experience to the global community, the country's citizens and the Gulf region. Doha will be a meeting place of different cultures united by one noble goal of improving the quality of climate, water and soil, as they are essential basics and resources that must be preserved.

Qatar does not only stand out with holding of international festivals and conferences but also their contents. The search for innovative



solutions at Expo 2023 Doha will be one of the most important challenges that experts are anticipating, in addition to its contribution to transforming the arid landscapes in different regions of the world to rich and environmentally friendly areas, as well as increasing the green area.

Expo 2023 Doha will try to answer big questions surrounding the earth's future through showcasing the modern methods by leading companies in the field of alternative energy, environment, agriculture and horticulture, as well as the best products using the most important methods that takes into account sustainability and environmental awareness, in addition to artificial intelligence (AI) which has begun to insert itself in many aspects of life.

As the official intergovernmental institutions turn to Expo 2023 Doha to come up with modern ideas to overcome the serious and ever-expanding environmental risks, the organizers of the exhibition will also provide opportunities and spaces for non-governmental organizations to present their messages and products to a large and wide group of visitors. Environmental and sustainable agriculture activists are looking forward to partaking in the exhibition's agreements or activities regarding reducing carbon emissions, environment development, agriculture, preserving rainforests, clean water, purity of air and soil and combating pollution, all in order to reach the safety threshold and achieve food security for future generations.

The organizers of Expo 2023 Doha affirm that the event will commit to enhancing the economy of Qatar and the region, strengthen cultural ties, create a meeting point for diverse people and ideas from all around the world, as well as accelerate the pace of creativity, research and scientific progress in the field of digital technologies related to modern agriculture to produce safe and sustainable food that is affordable to all people. Hand in hand, all possible means must be taken to reduce the negative impact of climate change on the planet.

As Expo 2023 Doha unfolds, captivating audiences until March 28, 2024, organizers aspire for it to serve as a global platform, drawing visitors from diverse continents. The ongoing event continues to create numerous opportunities for international cooperation and the cultivation of new partnerships. With the proceedings already in motion, Expo 2023 Doha stands as a significant tourist attraction for visitors from the Gulf and the Arab region. This not only bolsters regional tourism in Qatar but also contributes to the development of a sustainable society across Gulf countries. The strategic integration of airports, ports, hotels, and road networks with high international standards further enhances the event's impact in the region. (QNA)



HAYYAKUM QATAR



QT LAUNCHES 'HAYYAKUM QATAR' CAMPAIGN

Qatar Tourism (QT) has launched a brand-new campaign featuring Qatar's diverse attractions and event line-up for the winter season.



The 'Hayyakum Qatar' campaign highlights four main angles: Here's to Your Joy, Here's to Your Gatherings, Here's to Your Laughter, and Here's to Your Excitement.

Engineer Abdulaziz Ali al-Mawlawi, chief marketing and promotion officer at QT, said: "Having already welcomed more than three million visitors this year, Qatar is poised to

keep up the momentum and welcome even more visitors in the upcoming season."

'Here's to Your Joy' showcases Qatar's extensive and state-of-the-art retail venues, such as the Parisienne-inspired mall, Place Vendôme, the luxurious Al Hazm Mall, and the famed 21 High Street in Katara – Cultural Village.

Shop Qatar – the country's biggest shopping festival is set to return this winter, with the most prominent and popular malls participating in a range of events including fashion shows, makeup masterclasses and other forms of entertainment. Lucrative promotions are also in store with win prizes such as luxury cars, apartments, and cash.

Here's to Your Gatherings promotion highlights the joy of gathering over a shared meal at one of the many leading restaurants available in the country. The upcoming Qatar International Food Festival's 13th edition will feature live entertainment, cooking masterclasses and a chance to meet the global top chefs.

Here's to Your laughter highlights Qatar's entertainment landscape has just expanded with the recent soft launch of Meryal Water Park. Located on the newly developed Qetaifan Island, the park is home to the

85m high 'icon tower' and offers a selection of attractions including a total of 36 waterslides. The campaign also showcases the thrill and adventure at Lusail Winter Wonderland, which has also recently re-opened.



Here's to Your Excitement encapsulates a line-up of live performances, concerts, and comedy shows. There will also be a number of renowned events including 5th edition the Qatar Hot Air Balloon Festival and maritime experiences at Hamad Port.



Amazing Travel Deals for 2024 at Rayan Travel and Tours!



Rayan Travel is all set to open its 4th Retail branch in the Al Aziziyah area on 1st January 2024, as part of Retail Network expansion. To celebrate this milestone, Rayan Travel has introduced exclusive travel deals featuring tailor-made holiday packages for 2024. These packages includes 3 nights 4 days stay in a hotel with breakfast, sight-seeing, tour guide and airport transfers for Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Armenia, Turkey, Georgia starting from just QAR999.

Aligned with the upcoming AFC Asian Football 2024 and Qatar National Vision 2030, Rayan Travel is directing its attention towards Inbound Travel to boost Qatar's tourism sector. Qatar, as a tourism destination in the region, has a wealth of offerings. Visitors can immerse themselves in thrilling activities like Desert Safari, Dhow Cruise, Yacht Tours, sporting events, cultural shows, and experience luxurious stays in beach resorts. «AFC 2024 is poised to elevate Inbound Tourism,» affirmed Zaheer Yousuf, General Manager of Rayan Travel & Tours.



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A COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE TO TOURISM IN ANGOLA

Nestled on the southwestern coast of Africa, Angola is a country with a rich history, diverse culture, and breathtaking landscapes. Despite facing challenges in the past, Angola is gradually emerging as a hidden gem in the realm of tourism. With its pristine beaches, vibrant cities, and unique wildlife, Angola offers a captivating experience for travelers seeking an off-the-beaten-path adventure.





Historical and Cultural Heritage

Angola's history is deeply rooted in its colonial past, and this is evident in its architecture, museums, and cultural traditions. Visitors can explore the colonial-era architecture in cities like Luanda, where the Fortaleza de São Miguel stands as a testament to the country's history. The National Museum of Slavery and the Museum of Anthropology provide insight into Angola's complex past.



Natural Wonders

Angola boasts an array of natural wonders that appeal to nature enthusiasts. The Kalandula Falls, one of the largest waterfalls in Africa, cascades dramatically over a cliff, creating a mesmerizing spectacle. The Tunda Vala Fissure offers breathtaking panoramic views of the surrounding landscapes, and the Pedras Negras provide a surreal setting with massive black rocks against a backdrop of lush greenery.



Pristine Beaches

With a coastline stretching over 1,600 miles, Angola is home to some of the most pristine beaches in Africa. The Ilha do Mussulo, a picturesque island near Luanda, is a popular destination for its white sandy beaches and crystal-clear waters. Benguela's Baía Azul and Lobito beaches offer a tranquil escape, allowing visitors to relax and unwind in a serene environment.





Wildlife Safari

Angola's national parks and wildlife reserves offer a unique opportunity for safari adventures. Quiçama National Park, known for its diverse ecosystems, is home to a variety of wildlife, including elephants, giraffes, and zebras. The Kissama Foundation, a conservation project, has been working to reintroduce and protect Angola's wildlife, contributing to the preservation of the country's natural heritage.

Cultural Festivals

Angola's vibrant cultural scene comes alive during its traditional festivals. The Luanda Carnival, held annually, is a colourful extravaganza featuring parades, music, and dance. The Festival Internacional de Música do Sumbe celebrates the diversity of Angolan music and attracts both local and international artists, providing a unique cultural experience for attendees.

Adventure Tourism

For the more adventurous traveller, Angola offers opportunities for hiking, rock climbing, and water sports. The Ruacana Falls, located on the border with Namibia, provides a thrilling backdrop for activities such as white-water rafting. The Tchitundo-Hulo rock engravings in Namibe showcase ancient artwork and are a destination for those interested in archaeology and exploration.



Local Cuisine

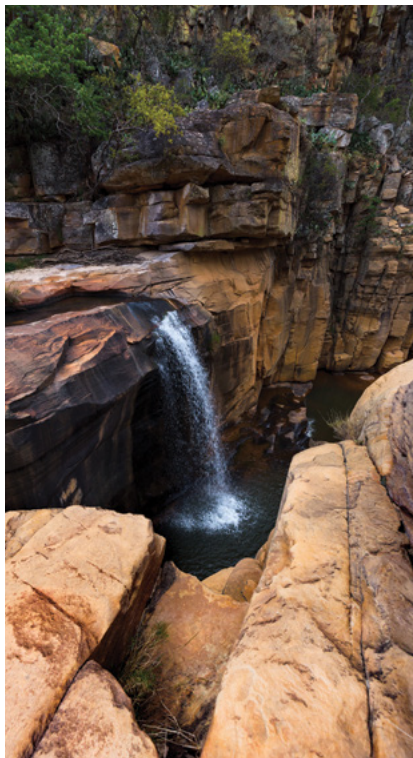
Angola's cuisine is a delightful blend of indigenous flavours and influences from its diverse cultural heritage. Visitors can savour traditional dishes such as funge (a type of porridge), muamba de galinha (chicken stew), and calulu (fish and vegetable stew). The local markets, like the Roque Santeiro Market in Luanda, offer a vibrant and authentic culinary experience.

As the world discovers the allure of Angola, the country's tourism industry is bound to flourish, contributing to its economic development and cultural exchange on a global scale.



A dream destination for nature and culture lovers

Have you ever imagined discovering the natural and cultural beauty of Angola, a country rich in history, diversity and traditions? You can fulfill this dream of discovering Angola's tourist potential.

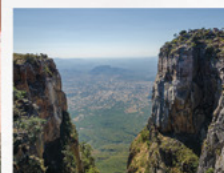


Examples include the city of Luanda at night with its waterfront facade, the Calandula waterfalls in Malange province, waves on the Angolan coast and the Tundavala rift in Huila province. These are just a few examples of the incredible places you can discover in Angola, a country that offers a unique and unforgettable experience.



Don't miss the opportunity to travel to Angola and be enchanted by its beauty and hospitality.

Angola: a dream destination for lovers of nature and culture. Come and discover it!



DISCOVER ANGOLA THE TREASURE OF SOUTHERN AFRICA



Angola is a true hidden gem in the heart of Southern Africa. With stunning landscapes ranging from pristine beaches to majestic mountains and a rich diversity of wildlife and flora, this country offers a unique experience for nature and adventure enthusiasts. Come and explore the wonders of Angola and discover an untouched world of beauty that will leave you speechless."



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EMBRACING THE WORLD

A GUIDE TO RESPONSIBLE TOURISM

Responsible tourism has emerged as a guiding principle for modern travellers who seek meaningful and sustainable experiences while minimizing their impact on the environment and local communities. This form of travel transcends the conventional tourist mindset, encouraging a more conscious and considerate approach to exploring the world. In this article, we look into the essence of responsible tourism, exploring its principles, benefits, and practical tips for travellers committed to making a positive impact.



Understanding responsible tourism

Responsible tourism, at its core, revolves around the idea of traveling in a way that respects and benefits local communities, cultures, and ecosystems. It involves making ethical choices that prioritize sustainability, cultural sensitivity, and social responsibility. The three pillars of responsible tourism include environmental integrity, social justice, and economic viability.

1. Environmental integrity

Responsible tourists strive to minimize their ecological footprint. This includes choosing eco-friendly accommodations, supporting conservation efforts, and opting for activities that respect the natural environment. Activities like wildlife watching, snorkeling, and hiking should be conducted with awareness of the impact on local ecosystems.

2. Social justice

Travellers committed to responsible tourism engage with local communities in a respectful and meaningful manner. This involves respecting local customs, traditions, and beliefs. It also means supporting local businesses, artisans, and community initiatives to ensure that tourism contributes positively to the socio-cultural fabric of the destination.

3. Economic viability

Responsible tourism aims to foster economic benefits for local communities. Travellers should prioritize spending their money on locally-owned businesses, markets, and accommodations. This ensures that tourism revenues directly contribute to the well-being and development of the destination.

Benefits of Responsible Tourism

1. Preserving cultural heritage

Responsible tourism helps preserve the unique cultural heritage of destinations by promoting cultural exchanges and respecting local traditions. This fosters a deeper understanding and appreciation of diverse cultures.

2. Conserving natural resources

By choosing eco-friendly accommodations and participating in sustainable activities, responsible tourists contribute to the conservation of natural resources and the protection of biodiversity.

3. Empowering local communities

Supporting local businesses and engaging in community-based tourism initiatives empowers local communities economically. This ensures that the benefits of tourism are distributed more equitably among the residents.

4. Reducing environmental impact

Minimizing waste, conserving energy, and choosing eco-friendly transportation options are key aspects of responsible tourism, helping reduce the environmental impact of travel.

Practical Tips for Responsible Tourism

1. Research before you go

Prior to your trip, research the destination's cultural norms, environmental challenges, and local businesses. This knowledge will help you make informed decisions during your travels.

2. Choose responsible accommodations

Opt for accommodations that prioritize sustainability and social responsibility. Look for eco-certifications, community engagement initiatives, and responsible waste management practices.

3. Respect local customs

Respect local customs, dress codes, and traditions. Learning a few phrases in the local language can go a long way in fostering positive interactions.

4. Support local businesses

Choose locally-owned restaurants, markets, and tour operators. This ensures that a significant portion of your spending directly benefits the local economy.

5. Minimize plastic usage

Reduce your use of single-use plastics by carrying a reusable water bottle, using cloth bags, and saying no to unnecessary packaging.

Responsible tourism is not just a trend; it is a mindset that shapes the future of travel. By adopting the principles of responsible tourism, travelers can create positive, lasting impacts on the destinations they visit. As global citizens, we have the power to explore the world responsibly, leaving behind a legacy of environmental stewardship, cultural respect, and economic empowerment for future generations.

SriLankan Airlines elevates leisure travel from Qatar with enhanced experiences and exclusive packages

SriLankan Airlines focuses on enhancing the travel experience for high-net-worth tourists from the Middle East, particularly leisure travel to Sri Lanka. Doha plays a significant role in the network, serving Sri Lankans, expats, and locals with daily flights using A330 and A320/A321 aircraft.



In 2023, Sri Lanka has gained global recognition as a top tourist destination among 24 countries. The country aims to welcome 1.5 million tourists by the end of the year, offering a wide range of attractions, including scenic landscapes and adventure holidays.

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EMBRACING DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IN THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY



The hospitality industry is renowned for its commitment to providing exceptional service and creating memorable experiences for guests. In recent years, there has been a growing recognition of the importance of diversity and inclusion within this dynamic sector. Embracing diversity and fostering an inclusive environment is not just a moral imperative; it is also a strategic business decision that can lead to improved customer satisfaction, increased employee engagement, and enhanced overall performance.

Understanding diversity in hospitality

Diversity in the hospitality industry encompasses a wide range of characteristics, including but not limited to race, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, religion, and socioeconomic background. A diverse workforce reflects the variety of perspectives and experiences that exist in the global marketplace, allowing businesses to cater to a broader range of clientele.

Benefits of diversity and inclusion in hospitality

Enhanced customer experience

Diverse teams are better equipped to understand and anticipate the needs of a diverse customer base. This understanding leads to more personalized and culturally sensitive service, resulting in improved customer satisfaction.

Innovation and creativity

A diverse workforce brings together individuals with different backgrounds, skills, and perspectives. This diversity of thought fosters creativity and innovation, enabling hospitality businesses to stay ahead in a competitive market by offering unique and cutting-edge services.

Employee engagement and retention

Inclusive workplaces create a sense of belonging among employees, leading to higher



levels of job satisfaction and engagement. When employees feel valued and included, they are more likely to stay with the organization, reducing turnover costs.

Global market appeal

The hospitality industry caters to a global clientele. Having a diverse workforce that reflects the diversity of your customer base can enhance the appeal of your brand on a global scale, making it more relatable and attractive to a broader audience.

Implementing diversity and inclusion initiatives

Leadership commitment

Successful diversity and inclusion initiatives start at the top. Leaders must demonstrate a commitment to fostering an inclusive culture through policies, practices, and behaviors that promote diversity.

Training and education

Providing diversity and inclusion training for employees at all levels helps raise awareness, foster understanding, and promote respectful communication. This can help eliminate biases and stereotypes within the workplace.

Recruitment strategies

Implementing inclusive recruitment practices involves actively seeking candidates from diverse backgrounds and creating a hiring process that is free from biases. This ensures a more diverse talent pool and a workforce that reflects the broader community.

Employee Resource Groups (ERGs):

Establishing ERGs allows employees to connect and support one another based on shared characteristics or experiences. These groups can provide valuable insights, promote inclusivity, and contribute to a positive workplace culture.

Challenges and solutions

While the benefits of diversity and inclusion in the hospitality industry are evident, challenges may arise, such as resistance to change, unconscious biases, and the need for cultural competence. Addressing these challenges requires ongoing commitment, open communication, and the implementation of targeted strategies.

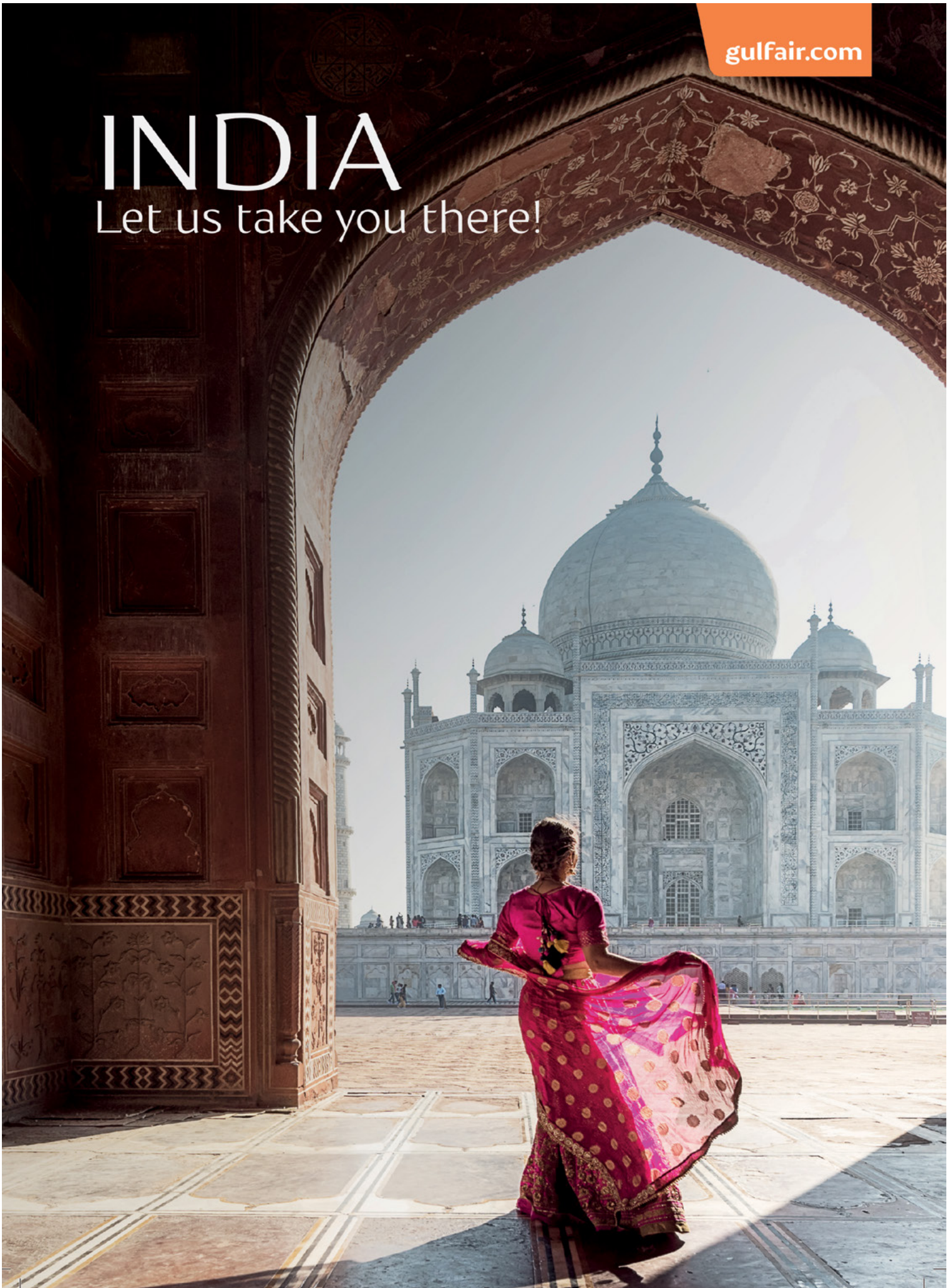
In conclusion, embracing diversity and inclusion in the hospitality industry is not only a moral imperative but also a strategic advantage. By fostering a workplace culture that celebrates differences, hospitality businesses can unlock a wealth of benefits, including improved customer satisfaction, increased innovation, and higher employee retention. As the industry continues to evolve, those who prioritize diversity and inclusion will undoubtedly stand out as leaders in the quest to provide exceptional and inclusive experiences for all.



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Al Rayyan International University College (ARIU) is the successor of the first private university in the State of Qatar, which opened in September 2000 and specialised in providing business-related degrees in International Business, Tourism, and Hospitality Management.

In 2021, ARIU entered into a strategic partnership with the University of Derby in the UK. Through this partnership, ARIU offers top-ranked internationally recognised UK-accredited undergraduate and postgraduate degrees:

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ARIU enrolls students twice a year, in February and September, and is able to offer student visas for international applicants.

The university is well-situated to offer students excellent opportunities for career development, with consistently outstanding internship and job placement opportunities available in globally renowned organizations.

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NAVIGATING TOMORROW

TOP TRAVEL TRENDS FOR 2024

The world of travel is ever-evolving, shaped by shifting cultural preferences, technological advancements, and global events. As we stand on the cusp of 2024, the travel industry is poised to undergo significant transformations, unveiling new trends that cater to the changing needs and desires of modern-day explorers.

From sustainable escapades to cutting-edge technology integration, the landscape of travel is set to offer an array of exciting opportunities for globetrotters. In this article, we delve into the top travel trends projected to dominate the scene in 2024, providing a glimpse into the future of wanderlust and adventure.





Sustainable Journeys: Nurturing the Planet While Roaming

In 2024, the eco-conscious traveler takes center stage, with sustainability weaving its way into every aspect of the journey. From accommodations committed to reducing their carbon footprint to the adoption of eco-friendly transportation options, travelers are increasingly seeking experiences that leave a positive impact on the planet. Conservation-focused tourism initiatives and a rise in eco-friendly practices are expected to shape the choices of those who wish to explore the world with a sense of responsibility and environmental mindfulness.



Tech-Driven Exploration: Beyond the Horizon of Innovation

The fusion of travel and technology reaches new heights in 2024, offering a seamless and immersive experience for globetrotters. Augmented reality (AR) guides, personalized travel apps driven by artificial intelligence, and blockchain-based solutions for secure and transparent transactions redefine the way we navigate and engage with our surroundings. The digital landscape is set to become an integral part of the travel experience, enhancing convenience, safety, and the overall enjoyment of the journey.



Mindful Escapes: The Rise of Wellness Tourism

As the demands of daily life intensify, the desire for travel experiences that prioritize well-being and mindfulness is on the rise. Wellness tourism takes center stage in 2024, with travelers seeking destinations that offer a respite for the body and soul. From yoga retreats in serene landscapes to spa vacations that rejuvenate the spirit, the travel industry is attuned to the growing importance of mental and physical health, providing a diverse array of options for those who seek to unwind and recharge.



Remote Revolution: The Continuation of Digital Nomadism

The concept of working from anywhere has transcended the confines of temporary trends, ushering in a new era of remote revolution. Digital nomadism continues to shape travel habits, with individuals seeking destinations that cater to a remote work lifestyle. Co-working spaces, reliable internet connectivity, and a sense of community for like-minded professionals become essential criteria for those who have the freedom to work from any corner of the globe.

As we anticipate the unfolding of 2024, the travel landscape appears to be a tapestry woven with threads of sustainability, technology, well-being, authenticity, and remote connectivity. The future promises a dynamic and diverse range of experiences for those eager to explore the world, inviting travelers to embark on journeys that are not only enriching but also aligned with their values and aspirations. Whether it's a mindful retreat, an immersive local adventure, or a tech-infused exploration, the top travel trends of 2024 reflect the ever-evolving desires of a global community that finds solace, excitement, and connection in the boundless tapestry of travel.





A SOLO TRAVELER'S GUIDE TO INDEPENDENCE, DISCOVERY & EMPOWERMENT

Embarking on a solo journey is a transformative and empowering experience that allows individuals to explore the world on their terms. Solo travel provides the opportunity for self-discovery, personal growth, and the freedom to chart your own course. In this comprehensive guide, we'll look into practical tips and share insights from solo travel experiences to help you make the most of your independent adventures.





Benefits of Solo Travel:

Self-Discovery and Personal Growth

Solo travel encourages self-reflection and personal growth. It challenges individuals to step out of their comfort zones, fostering resilience, independence, and a deeper understanding of oneself.

Flexibility and Freedom

Traveling alone allows for unparalleled flexibility. You have the freedom to choose your itinerary, change plans on a whim, and immerse yourself in activities that align with your interests.

Cultural Immersion

Solo travelers often find it easier to connect with locals and immerse themselves in the local culture. Without the influence of companions, you may be more open to forming authentic connections with people from different backgrounds.

Building Confidence

Navigating unfamiliar places, making decisions independently, and overcoming challenges solo contribute significantly to building self-confidence. Solo travel empowers individuals to trust their instincts and capabilities.



Practical Tips:

Research and Planning

Thorough research and planning are essential for a successful solo trip. Research your destination's safety, cultural norms, and local customs. Plan your itinerary, but leave room for spontaneity.

Safety First

Prioritize safety by informing someone you trust about your travel plans. Share your itinerary, accommodations, and emergency contacts. Stay informed about local safety guidelines and be vigilant, especially in unfamiliar areas.

Choose Accommodations Wisely

Opt for accommodations with positive reviews, focusing on safety and a central location. Hostels, guesthouses, and boutique hotels are often great options for solo travelers, providing opportunities to meet like-minded individuals.

Connect with Other Travellers

Embrace the solo travel community by staying in social accommodations, joining group tours, or participating in local meet-ups.

This not only enhances your experience but also provides a support network.

Trust Your Instincts

Intuition is a valuable travel companion. Trust your instincts when making decisions about your safety, interactions with locals, and the places you choose to explore.

Pack Light and Smart

Traveling solo means you're solely responsible for your luggage. Pack efficiently with versatile clothing, essential items, and travel-sized toiletries. A well-organized backpack can make your journey more convenient.

Learn Basic Local Phrases

Learning a few basic phrases in the local language can go a long way. Locals appreciate the effort, and it can enhance your ability to navigate and communicate effectively.

Stay Connected

Stay connected with friends and family through regular check-ins. Use local SIM cards or international roaming services to ensure you can communicate in case of emergencies.

Solo Travel Experiences

Exploring Nature Solo

Solo travel provides the perfect opportunity to connect with nature. Whether it's hiking in the mountains, strolling along a secluded beach, or camping in a serene forest, solo travelers can fully immerse themselves in the beauty of the natural world.

Navigating Cityscapes Alone

Urban exploration takes on a new dimension when done solo. Roaming through bustling markets, discovering hidden gems in city neighborhoods, and trying local street food become personal adventures that allow for spontaneous discoveries.

Cultural Immersion

Engaging with local cultures is often more accessible when traveling alone. Solo travelers can attend local events, festivals, or workshops, providing a deeper understanding of the customs and traditions of the destination.

Self-Reflection Retreats

Solo travel offers an ideal opportunity for self-reflection and introspection. Many individuals embark on solo journeys to take a break from their daily routines, disconnect from the digital world, and focus on personal well-being.



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Delve into Levantine and Middle Eastern flavours of Al Sufra - Translated from Arabic, Al Sufra means “The Dining Room” and is the hotel’s award-winning Levantine and Middle Eastern restaurant with a unique blend of authentic recipes from the region.

Soak into the niche ambience of Bohemia Lounge - With golden-age glamour, Bohemia Lounge is the ultimate setting for social meet-ups, offering the best pairings of the finest cigars with beverages, a cocktail list and assorted bites.

Discover the elegance of Café Murano - An elegant combination of style, art and views, Café Murano is a popular destination for lovers of hand-made chocolate, petite culinary creations, elegant assortment of pastries and the delights of the café’s exquisite Kempinski Afternoon Tea.

Transport to Latin America with a visit at El Faro - El Faro, which means “The Lighthouse” in Spanish, is a modern restaurant featuring a relaxed, contemporary setting using traditional recipes from culinary hotspots across the Latin American Peninsula.

Vibe with the retro-feels of Public House - Public House is a retro American diner and sports bar, featuring a unique blend of diner favourites and competitive sports.

Join the coolest rooftop scene at The Secret Garden - Doha’s best-loved rooftop, guests will revel in unparalleled services, signature cocktails and exquisite gourmet bites while soaking in a 360° view of The Pearl-Qatar waterfront and glittering skyline.

Live into the exceptional musical performances at The Stage - An intimate venue with an upscale music lounge ambience featuring live jazz, pop and bilingual musical performances by leading musicians and a resident band.

Refined and signature venues to complete your culinary journey

The bespoke dining venues of the Palace also include a contemporary Japanese restaurant; Nozomi which offers a unique dining experience and contemporary Japanese cuisine.

Take a Pan-Latin flair at Toro Toro which showcases a creative blend of Pan-Latin styles and flavours, is one of the most successful concepts of celebrity chef, Richard Sandoval.

Elevate your dining experience in a casual beachside restaurant, Lobito de Mar, that

brings the freshness of the sea to the urban jungle. Feel the BiBo concept, with Andalusian tapas, and a sophisticated and vibrant atmosphere

Complete your journey and be transported to the Orient at Antika Qatar - which serves delectable modern Levantine cuisine with an exclusive lounge experience.

Celebrate Qatar National Day in Grand Style at The Palace - Join us on a gastronomic journey infused with cultural splendour at the National Day Brunch at Al Sufra. From fragrant spices to succulent meats and delectable seafood, each dish pays homage to the diverse flavours of Qatar. The hotel will be hosting a variety of activities, from falcon displays to calligraphy and a captivating cake-cutting ceremony along a dedicated kids’ activity area. Additionally, a Special Edition National Day Afternoon Tea will be available at Café Murano with premium sweet and savoury bites and a unique Qatari twist.

Dive into the festive spirit with an array of sumptuous offerings. Indulge in the joy of the season with our special Afternoon Tea with a festive twist. Choose from several dinners and brunches, each curated to satisfy diverse palates and preferences. From enchanting evenings at El Faro to lively BBQ festivities at Public House, promising a rich culinary journey. The festivities continue with New Year’s celebrations and a Lazy Brunch to kick off the year.

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