

FAQ's for Touring Jordan

Is Jordan safe?

- Yes. Although there have been issues along its border with Syria, we don't go near any hazardous locations.

Who are the Jordanians?

- The Jordanians are Bedouin Arabs, most of whom are no longer nomads, living in cities and villages. Religiously, around 90% are Sunni Muslim and about 6% Christian (it's not unusual to see Christian bumper stickers on cars in Jordan). Most Jordanian Muslims pride themselves for being religiously tolerant—as long as you don't try to convert them.
- The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan is a monarchy ruled by King Abdullah, who was educated in the U.S. and is enormously respected by his subjects.

What language do they speak in Jordan?

- Jordanians speak and write Arabic, with English as a second language.

Will our guide be a Muslim?

- Our guide will be an Evangelical Christian Bedouin Arab—a rarity in the Middle East.

How should we act around Jordanian Muslims?

- The answer to this most important question is to, as a group, love each other as Jesus loved you—then love all Muslims the same way. *Genuinely*. They need to experience Jesus in action, not just words.

What about the food and water?

- Jordanian food is very Middle Eastern and Arabic—kebabs and lamb, pasta, lots of vegetables, yogurt dishes and olive oil, and baklava for dessert. And, of course, Arabic coffee.

- Do not drink tap water in Jordan—showers are fine, otherwise use bottled water.

What are the drives like?

- Biblical sites in Jordan are quite far apart. You'll be traveling 20-150 miles between sites (with ample bathroom and coffee stops along the way), but the amazing destinations are always worth the long rides.

How big is Jordan?

- Here's a size comparison:
 - California is 163,696 mi²
 - Texas is 268,597 mi²
 - **Jordan** is 34,495 mi²—slightly larger than the state of Maine