

# AUTHENTIC **SOCOTRA**

Seven day Tour Itinerary | Service Guide

Valid from Oct to May



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**SOCOTRA.**

# SOCOTRA ISLAND

## YEARLY WEATHER FORECAST

### 2026-2027



#### FEBRUARY 2026

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Temp: 21°C

#### APRIL

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#### MARCH

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#### OCTOBER

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#### JULY

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#### AUGUST

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#### NOVEMBER

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#### DECEMBER

Morn W Wiine



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#### JANUARY 2027

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☀ Sun Rain ☔ Wind Rough Seas

Forecast based on historical data. Actual weather may vary.

Tuesday, February 3, 2026



## DAY 1 – THE BEST BEACH IN THE WORLD

- Airport meet and greet. Your tour guide will be holding the “Hellosocotra” sign at the arrival terminal right behind the passport control counter. At the terminal, it can get very warm and chaotic around the baggage carousel with all incoming passengers, so your patience is appreciated.

Once you have cleared immigration and collected your luggage, we will head west to Qalansiyah and then make our way to an overview point from which you can see the entire beach and the Detwah lagoon. This protected marine area is renowned for its magical landscape, and you can swim, sunbathe, and relax in the shallow sea.

### WHERE TO SLEEP

- Camping at Detwah lagoon

### WHAT TO SEE & DO

- Swimming in Qalansiyah beach Detwah lagoon
- You can go for long walks along the beach or hike the nearby hills
- Explore the town of Qalansiyah
- Sandboarding and snorkeling

### AREA GUIDE

- Stingrays can be found in the lagoon; mind your steps when walking there
- Avoid talking to locals if you are wearing a bikini
- The beach is huge, has no shade where to swim; make sure you take water with you
- Toilets, showers, and mobile coverage are available in Detwah lagoon campsite



## DAY 2 – A LITTLE PIECE OF HEAVEN

- You should be ready to go by 6:00 a.m. Our drivers will take you to the port of Qalansiyah to catch the boat, where an exciting day begins. We will head to the western side of Socotra to explore one of the most beautiful beaches in the world, the beach of Shuaab and the isolated town of Qabahen. You may swim in the pristine crystal-clear waters and rest on the fine white sand.
- On the way to Shuaab, you will see a group of Spinner dolphins, and if you are lucky, you might spot a sperm whale during March and April. That's why waking up early is important. You will also see a one-of-a-kind Socotra cormorant birds in their natural habitat and many underwater caves. May is still unexplored, making it a great place for thrill-seekers and divers.
- If time allows, you will meet Mr Aliyah, aka the caveman, the smartest man in Socotra who created his tourist attraction. Hundreds of tourists come to his cave to meet him and to enjoy listening to his stories on life in the cave, the land, and its people.

### WHERE TO SLEEP

- Camping at Detwah lagoon

### WHAT TO SEE & DO

- You can go for long walks along the beach
- Swimming and snorkeling
- Birdwatching

### AREA GUIDE

- Bring a dry bag to protect your electronic devices
- Toilets are available in the village, but no mobile coverage
- For your safety, we will need to cancel Shuaab tour if the sea currents are strong



## DAY 3 – THE DRAGON BLOOD FOREST

- After breakfast, we will make our way to Dicksam plateau (approx. 700 m above sea level) and Shebahon's viewpoint. This area is home to an endless number of Socotra endemic plants, such as Dragon's Blood Tree and other trees. The Shebahon viewpoint gives a marvellous vista overlooking Daerhu Canyon, where we will see breathtaking scenery and unusual yet beautiful rock formations.
- We will then make our way down to the Dirhur wadi in the canyon for lunch and an easy-going walk to swim in the freshwater pools, then we will continue our way up to Firmhen Point so you can explore the largest forest of the dragon blood trees

### WHERE TO SLEEP

- Camping at Firmhen forest

### WHAT TO SEE & DO

- Swimming in the Wadi of Dirhur
- Explore a wide range of dragon blood trees
- Long hikes, birdwatching and observing spiders
- Learn about Dragon's blood and Luban (gum) extraction
- Close understanding of the people of Socotra mountains lifestyle

### AREA GUIDE

- Do not climb the dragon's blood trees
- We recommend showering in Dirhur wadi before heading up to Firmhen
- Wear your hiking shoes, long pants and jumper; it gets cold during the night
- Mind your steps when walking around the sharp rocks
- Toilets and mobile coverage are available in Firhmen camping ground



## DAY 4 – THE INDIAN OCEAN

- After an early breakfast, head down to make our way to the south of the island, with a quick stop at Al-kibani nursery where you can see the baby dragon's blood tree growing.
- After our visit to the nursery, we will continue our way to Nujed campsite at the Indian ocean to have a lunch and swim then the afternoon we will take you to dunes of Zahak. These dunes were created by the seasonal winds, pushing the waves from the ocean straight to the mountains. Then, we will head to our campsite, Aomak, on the Indian Ocean.

### WHERE TO SLEEP

- Camping at Aomak or Zaheq

### WHAT TO SEE & DO

- Explore a wide range of Socotra native trees
- Camel riding (on-request) or Sandboarding
- You can go for long walks along the beach

### AREA GUIDE

- Keep your swimming wear if you want to swim in the India ocean
- Mind your steps when walking on the beach for sharp fish bones
- Toilets, showers, and mobile coverage are available in Aomak campsite



## DAY 5 – THE GIANT SAND DUNES

- After early breakfast, we will head east the mountains of Momi, where the famous Wadi of Kelisan is a perfect spot to enjoy swimming in the natural pools. It will take around 20 minutes of walking, with a breathtaking overview of the entire wadi.
- After the Wadi, we will head east to Arher area, where the giant dunes are located, a great beach, and freshwater wells. Snacks, dinner, and breakfast will be provided.

### WHERE TO SLEEP

- Camping at Arher or Ras Arsel

### WHAT TO SEE & DO

- Fishing and snorkeling.
- Climb or sandboard the giant sand dunes
- Swim in the Arabian Sea and shower at the freshwater wells.
- You can go for long walks along the beach
- You can explore some caves in the area (*speak with your tour guide*)

### AREA GUIDE

- Sandy area, easy to walk around, suitable for everyone.
- No mobile coverage is available in the area
- Mind your steps when walking around the sand from sharp fishbones.
- Toilets and showers are available in this location
- Before heading to Arher, we suggest you wear light clothing, sandals or flip-flops



## DAY 6 – THE NATURAL POOL

- After breakfast, pack your bags and put on your swimming wear and hiking shoes because we will head to the protected area of Homhill, which is home to an endless number of the Socotri endemic plants such as Dragon's blood tree, Frankincense, Desert rose trees, etc. It's about 1-hour drive from Arher and a 30-minute walk along a selection of trails, one of which takes us to a viewpoint where there is a natural swimming pool and a view of villages below on the plain and of the Arabian Sea.
- After Homhil, we will head to another exciting area called Dihammri protected area. Here, you can snorkel and dive in the marine protected area, home to dozens of species of colourful marine life and one of the richest coral reefs in the archipelago.

### WHERE TO SLEEP

- Camping at Arher or Ras Arsel

### WHAT TO SEE & DO

- Swimming at the natural pool of Homhil
- Explore a wide range of Socotra native trees
- Snorkeling or diving in Dihammri (possible to do one dive on this itinerary)

### AREA GUIDE

- The difficulty is medium walking around Homhil area
- You can hire diving equipment from the center in Dihammri
- Don't touch or step on the reef. If you need to rest, float on your back
- Toilets, showers, and mobile coverage are available in the area



## DAY 7 – THE HOQ CAVE

- (This activity is optional) We will need to get up early, around 5:00 am; breakfast will be served, and then we will head to Ras Arsel (the ending point of east Socotra). It's about a 15-minute drive from the campsite; there, you'll be able to see the meeting point of the Arabian Sea and the Indian Ocean. After a quick visit to Ras Arsel, we will drive for 30 minutes to get to Rosh village, where we will start the hiking journey to Hoq cave (please see the area guide section).
- Hoq cave is the biggest cave in the Middle East. It's about 2 km deep. Depending on your fitness level, it can take 2.5 hours to reach the main gate of the cave, which is on top of the mountain, and about 30 minutes to reach the end of the cave. The entire journey will take 6 to 7 hours. Those who cannot go to the cave can chill on the beach.
- After the hiking, we will make our way to Hadibo town for a quick souvenir or gifts shopping before we drop you back to the airport to catch your flight.

### WHAT TO SEE & DO

- Watch the speleothems
- Take a close look at the bottle (desert rose) and gum trees
- You can drink from the dripping water inside the cave
- Great location for birdwatching

### AREA GUIDE

- We do not recommend going to Hoq cave for those with knee, back or heart problems.
- Head torch, if you are into photography, we recommend bringing a bigger torch
- Must wear hiking shoes, heat protective clothing (during hot months) and a hat
- Bring a minimum of 1 liter of water to carry before you head to the cave
- No mobile coverage is available in the area