

Travel Tips

JEWELS OF JORDAN

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

****Requirements due to COVID-19 are constantly changing. Please check your own country's international travel advice as well as the airline requirements before travel.****

UK guests, please refer to the FCDO website for the latest entry and exit advice: <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/jordan>

PASSPORTS

Your passport must be valid for at least six months beyond the date you plan to leave Jordan. It is also recommended to have at least one blank page available for entry stamps.

Please ensure you have completed the 'Emergency Contact' section in your passport before travel.

VISAS

Most nationalities require a visa to enter Jordan.

- UK, US, Canadian, Australian, and EU citizens can obtain a visa on arrival at most entry points (including Amman's Queen Alia International Airport).
- The visa fee is approximately 40 Jordanian Dinars (around USD \$60).
- Alternatively, you can purchase a Jordan Pass online before your trip, which includes your visa fee and entry to over 40 attractions, including Petra and Wadi Rum.

You must have a return or onward ticket and sufficient funds for your stay.

Check visa details before departure: <https://www.jordanpass.jo?>

It is your responsibility to ensure you have the correct travel documentation before departure.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

All travellers must hold comprehensive travel insurance that covers health, accidents, and cancellations.

Please bring a copy of your insurer's 24-hour emergency number and your policy number during your trip.

MEDICAL CONDITIONS & PERSONAL MEDICATION

If you have any medical conditions that may affect your travel, please notify The Big Journey Company before departure.

Carry all medications in original packaging and bring a copy of your doctor's prescription.

Pharmacies are common in Jordan, especially in Amman, but some medicines may have different brand names.

TRAVELLING WITH CPAP OR OTHER MEDICAL DEVICES

If you require a CPAP machine or other medical devices, please inform The Big Journey Company at the time of booking.

If distilled or ionised water is required, let us know in advance so our ground team can assist.

Additional charges may apply.

LUGGAGE

What to Pack and Wear:

Jordan's climate varies depending on the region and time of year:

- Spring (March–May) and Autumn (September–November) are warm and pleasant.
- Summer (June–August) can be very hot, especially in the desert regions.
- Winter (December–February) can be cool or even cold in Amman and Petra.

We recommend packing:

- Lightweight, breathable clothing for daytime

- Layers and a light jacket for cooler evenings
- Comfortable walking shoes or hiking sandals
- A hat, sunglasses, and sunscreen for desert excursions
- Modest clothing (shoulders and knees covered) for visiting religious or rural sites
- A swimsuit for hotels with pools or Dead Sea visits
- A light scarf or shawl (useful for dust and sun protection)

Luggage Allowances:

Airlines have strict weight and size restrictions for checked and carry-on baggage. Please check your airline's website for specific information before departure.

LANGUAGE

Arabic is the official language of Jordan. English is widely spoken, especially in hotels, restaurants, and tourist areas.

WEATHER

Jordan's climate is mostly dry and sunny.

- Amman & Petra: Mild to hot depending on season; chilly evenings.
- Wadi Rum: Hot days, cool nights; desert temperatures vary greatly.
- Dead Sea: Very hot and sunny most of the year.

Average temperatures range from 10°C (50°F) in winter to 35°C (95°F) or higher in summer.

ELECTRICITY

Jordan operates on 230V / 50Hz, using Type C, D, F, G, and J plugs.

We recommend bringing a universal travel adapter and checking if your devices require a voltage converter.

MOBILE & INTERNET COMMUNICATION

Mobile coverage is generally excellent in Jordan, except in some remote desert areas.

Please check international roaming rates with your provider before travel—data costs can be high.

Wi-Fi is available in most hotels and many cafés.

MONEY

Currency: Jordanian Dinar (JOD)

(Approx. 1 JOD = £1.10 / €1.30 / \$1.40)

Credit and debit cards are widely accepted in hotels, restaurants, and shops in major cities.

However, cash is preferred in smaller towns and markets. ATMs are common in urban areas but limited in rural regions.

Gratuities:

After feedback from previous guests, we offer a group tipping package for this tour. More information will be shared in your Pre-Tour Emails.

WATER

Tap water in Jordan is not recommended for drinking.

Use bottled or filtered water, which is widely available.

Avoid ice in drinks unless you are sure it's made from purified water.

SAFETY & SECURITY

Jordan is considered one of the safest countries in the Middle East.

However, as in any destination, please remain alert in crowded areas and keep valuables secure.

Avoid public demonstrations and follow local advice at all times.

RELIGION & CULTURE

Jordan is predominantly Muslim, and Islamic customs influence local life.

Visitors are welcomed warmly, but modest dress and respectful behaviour are appreciated—especially during Ramadan, when eating or drinking in public during daylight hours is discouraged.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Jordan offers spectacular photography opportunities—from ancient ruins and deserts to the Dead Sea and Petra's Treasury.

Always ask permission before photographing people, especially in rural areas or Bedouin communities.

ARRIVAL IN JORDAN

Hotel check-in is generally from 3:00pm.

If you arrive early, your room may not be immediately available, but we will work with the hotel to assist where possible.

If you have any further questions, please email us at: info@thebigjourneycompany.com

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