

FAYOUM ECOTRAVEL GUIDE

QASR QARUN FESTIVAL

1st Day: 20th of December




Photo	Time	Site	Description
	07:00am	Departure from Cairo	Meeting Point:
	09:00am – 10:30pm	Nazla Pottery Workshops	Embedded within a beautiful landscape, Nazla is a potter's paradise. The potters show you their products and techniques that preserve ancient traditions.
	11:00pm – 13:00pm	Medinet Madi	This archaeological park counts among the most impressive ancient towns in the Fayoum and dates back to 4000 years ago. Medinet Madi and its visitor centre offer an extraordinary experience.
	13:30pm – 14:30pm	Lunch at Waterfalls/Wadi El Rayyan	Wadi El Rayyan, Egypt's first UNESCO Protected Nature Reserve, features a breathtaking site. Drive through the desert and have a bite to eat.
	16:00pm – 18:00pm	Tunis Pottery Workshops	Tunis village is home to 10 pottery workshops and famous for its colourful glaze pottery. Enjoy a walk through the greenery of Tunis and watch the potters at work.
	19:00pm	Tunis	Dinner and overnight in Tunis.

2nd Day: 21st of December




Photo	Time	Site	Description
	Before Sunrise	Departure from Tunis	Meeting Point:
	At Sunrise	Qasr Qarun Festival	At sunrise, witness the sun rays illuminating the innermost sanctuary of Qasr Qarun Temple. This spectacular event is accompanied by a festival where local people sell all kinds of products and services.
	10:30am – 12:00pm	Boat Trip	Take a boat to El Megrah Island and have tea on the fire in the middle of Lake Qarun.
	12:30pm – 14:00pm	Lunch	Shoeb ElSheemy serves typical Egyptian dishes in a private home in Qarun.
	15:00pm	Back to Cairo	Arrival Point:

TUNIS POTTERY FESTIVAL



1st Day: November

Photo	Time	Site	Description
	07:00am	Departure from Cairo	Meeting Point:
	09:00am – 09:30am	Coffee break at Helnan Auberge Hotel	This heritage hotel was initially built as a hunting lodge for King Farouk and hosted banquets for royalty and international events.
	Depending on the Festival Schedule	Tunis Pottery Festival	The 3-days Tunis Pottery Festival promotes the pottery art of Tunis and is accompanied by a kaleidoscope of artistic events.
	Dinner time depending on the Festival schedule	Tunis	Dinner and overnight in Tunis.

2nd Day: November

Photo	Time	Site	Description
	08:30am	Departure fromTunis	Meeting Point:
	Depending on the Festival Schedule	Qasr Qarun Temple	Visit a well-preserved Ptolemaic-Roman temple in the ancient town of Dionysias and enjoy a marvelous view of the archaeological site from the temple's roof.
	Depending on the Festival Schedule	Walk to Lake Qarun	Fayoum is characterized by its beautiful and diverse nature. From Qasr Qarun you can take a 3km walk on a picturesque and tranquil path to Lake Qarun.
	Depending on the Festival Schedule	Tunis Pottery Festival	Back to Tunis. Have lunch & dinner in Tunis and spend the night in one of its comfortable ecolodges or hotels.

3rd Day: November

Photo	Time	Site	Description
	Depending on the Festival Schedule	Tunis	Meeting Point:
	Depending on the Festival Schedule	Wadi El Rayyan / Waterfalls	Wadi El Rayyan, Egypt's first UNESCO Protected Nature Reserve, features a breathtaking site. Drive through the desert and have a short visit of the waterfalls.
	Depending on the Festival Schedule	Medinet Madi	This archaeological park counts among the most impressive ancient towns in the Fayoum and dates back to 4000 years ago. Medinet Madi and its visitor centre offer an extraordinary experience.
	Depending on the Festival Schedule	Tunis Pottery Festival	The 3-days Tunis Pottery Festival promotes the pottery art of Tunis and is accompanied by a kaleidoscope of artistic events.
	16:00pm	Going back to Cairo	Arrival Point: