# Abercrombie & Kent



Dear Giampoli Family,

Your A&K journey is almost here, and we are pleased to provide your detailed itinerary as well as other important information to assist in your final preparations.

This document contains all the information you need, including a full itinerary and additional material related to your journey and destination. Please review this carefully as you prepare for your journey.

In light of COVID-19, we wanted to emphasize the following points in particular. Your destination's current entry and testing requirements are included in **Essential Information**. These are subject to change, and we suggest continuing to check them up until you depart. While we plan to operate your journey as close to the scheduled itinerary as possible, there may be some adjustments due to COVID-19-related restrictions and to ensure your health and safety. Any changes will be communicated by your local A&K representative, and we greatly appreciate your flexibility and patience.

On behalf of all of us at Abercrombie & Kent, we wish you a journey of inspiring experiences that will remain with you for a lifetime. Thank you for travelling with us.

Sincerely,

Keith Baron President Abercrombie & Kent USA

Booking Number: USA217284

# ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

# Mrs Debra Giampoli Mr Roy Giampoli Ms Ashley Giampoli Mr Michael Bell

Limited Edition: Saudi Arabia: Desert Kingdoms

DATE	DESCRIPTION	ACCOMMODATION	MEALS
Saturday Nov 19, 2022	Arrive Istanbul, Turkey	The Ritz-Carlton, Riyadh	
Sunday Nov 20, 2022	Arrive Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	The Ritz-Carlton, Riyadh	D
Monday Nov 21, 2022	Riyadh   Monuments & Historic Artifacts	The Ritz-Carlton, Riyadh	BL
Tuesday Nov 22, 2022	Riyadh / Hail   Ancient Rock Art	Millennium Hotel Hail	BLD
Wednesday Nov 23, 2022	Hail / Al Ula   Towering Ancient Monuments	Habitas AlUla	BLD
Thursday Nov 24, 2022	Al Ula   Imposing Mountains & Legendary Landscapes	Habitas AlUla	BLD
Friday Nov 25, 2022	Al Ula / Jeddah   Captivating Port City	The Ritz-Carlton, Jeddah	В
Saturday Nov 26, 2022	Jeddah   Ancient City Explorations & Design Your Day	The Ritz-Carlton, Jeddah	ВD
Sunday Nov 27, 2022	Depart Jeddah		В
Monday Nov 28, 2022	Depart Istanbul		

B = Breakfast L = Lunch D = Dinner

# ITINERARY

Please note there may be some adjustments to this itinerary due to COVID-19-related restrictions and to ensure your health and safety. Refer to **Essential Information** for country specific COVID-19 entry requirements and testing information. Details regarding locations and timing for required testing during your journey and for onward travel will be provided by your local A&K representative.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2022 ARRIVE ISTANBUL, TURKEY

#### Ms Ashley Giampoli Mr Michael Bell

Turkish Airlines 0186 07E,07F (Issued by A&K) Departure Friday, Nov 18,2022 11:40 AM ORD Chicago, IL (O'Hare International Airport) United States of America

Arrival Saturday, Nov 19, 2022 6:55 AM IST Istanbul (Ataturk Airport) Turkey

#### Mrs Debra Giampoli Mr Roy Giampoli

Turkish Airlines 0186 Departure Friday, Nov 18,2022 11:40 AM ORD Chicago, IL (O'Hare International Airport) United States of America

Arrival Saturday, Nov 19, 2022 6:55 AM IST Istanbul (Ataturk Airport) Turkey

#### Accommodation: Under Own Arrangements

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2022 ARRIVE RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA

#### Ms Ashley Giampoli Mr Michael Bell

Turkish Airlines 0144 02E,02F (Issued by A&K) Departure Sunday, Nov 20,2022 2:00 AM IST Istanbul (Ataturk Airport) Turkey

#### Mrs Debra Giampoli Mr Roy Giampoli

Turkish Airlines 0144 Departure Sunday, Nov 20,2022 2:00 AM IST Istanbul (Ataturk Airport) Turkey Arrival Sunday, Nov 20, 2022 6:00 AM RUH Riyadh (King Khaled International Airport) Saudi Arabia

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Upon arrival in Riyadh, please proceed through customs and immigration formalities. You are then met by an Abercrombie & Kent representative and transferred to your luxurious hotel for immediate check-in.

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia's buzzing capital, is one of the wealthiest cities in the world. Once a walled, mud-brick way station along desert trading routes, it is now a modern metropolis undergoing rapid change.

This evening at 7:00 p.m., join your Resident Tour Director and fellow guests for a welcome briefing followed by dinner.

#### **Of Special Note:**

- Included Beverages: Coffee, tea, soft drinks and water at included meals and local bottled water during sightseeing.

- The import, consumption and possession of alcohol is illegal in Saudi Arabia.

- Saudi Arabia is still developing its tourism infrastructure resulting in varying levels of service delivery at hotels, restaurants or other venues. Guests should adjust their expectations accordingly.

- As a traditional Islamic nation, Saudi Arabia observes a strict dress code that must be adhered to at all times. Women should wear long skirts or loose-fitting pants and ensure that their ankles and arms are properly covered. Men should keep their arms covered as well. Though it is not legally required, women may occasionally be asked to wear an abaya (long robe) or hijab (headscarf).

Accommodation: The Ritz-Carlton, Riyadh | Deluxe Room - Double

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2022 RIYADH | MONUMENTS & HISTORIC ARTIFACTS

Start your day by visiting UNESCO-listed Diriyah, a historic site on the outskirts of Riyadh, which is said to be the birthplace of the first Saudi state and is today the current home of the royal family. The mud-brick walls once fortified a thriving desert city that was a powerhouse of culture and commerce. In 1745, the city was named the country's capital, laying the foundations for what would later become a unified Saudi Arabia

Diriyyah may be closed to visitors but will be viewed from outside.

Continue to Musmak Fort, in Riyadh's old quarter, built during the reign of Abdullah bin Rashid in AD 1895. Afterward, explore the Dirah Souk, a market famed for colorful textiles from silk to luxurious pashminas, before stopping for lunch.

This afternoon, pay a guided visit to the National Museum, a national treasure and UNESCO World Heritage Site composed of eight galleries that tell the complete story of Arabian history, from the creation of the universe to the modern era. Continue to Murabba Palace, built by King Abdul Aziz in 1937. A family dwelling, it was constructed from local materials and is composed of several smaller palaces, service buildings, and the Royal Diwan. Afterward, discover Saudi fashion on a visit to the Kingdom Tower shopping mall. Particularly fascinating for female guests is Ladies Kingdom, a women-only shopping mall, where there are opportunities to meet local women who share their stories and insights into life in the kingdom.

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Early this evening, meet special guest, Mrs. Sara El Emary, an entrepreneur and travel show host, and learn about her projects, volunteering, and how her work has changed over recent years.

Accommodation: The Ritz-Carlton, Riyadh | Deluxe Room - Double

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2022 RIYADH / HAIL | ANCIENT ROCK ART

This morning, transfer to the airport for your flight northwest to Hail, located in the northern Arabian Peninsula. From there, drive to the UNESCO-listed site of Jubbah, where magnificent rock carvings and thousand-year-old petroglyphs adorn the surrounding sandstone outcrops depicting camels, lions, and other wildlife that called the region home. A historic crossroads of trade, especially during the *hajj* season when camel caravans passed through, Hail has played an intriguing role in the history of modern Saudi Arabia, and it is home to a buzzing *souk*.

Enjoy some Saudi hospitality and learn about the importance of camels in Saudi culture as you sit down to a lunch of traditional fare at a local farm. Return to Hail, and then pay a visit to Qeshla Palace, admiring the monumental structure from the outside before exploring the A'arif Fort built on top of a rocky outcrop with outstanding views over the city. Following your explorations, meet with Fraih Al Shummari, a local guide, and his family, who immerse you in the local language with a written demonstration of the Thamudic script, an elegant northern variant of the typical South Arabian script. Continue to your hotel and enjoy dinner this evening.

Accommodation: Millennium Hotel Hail | Deluxe Room - Double

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2022 HAIL / AL ULA | TOWERING ANCIENT MONUMENTS

This morning, visit the intriguing Hail Local Heritage Museum, the private museum of local resident Khalid Bin Hamoud Al Matrod, set in a traditional Najd house. Peruse the eclectic collection which comprises domestic items from kitchen paraphernalia to antique radio and get a glimpse of a bygone era. After your explorations, drive to Al Ula (approximately five hours) and enjoy lunch with your fellow guests. Nestled in a large, spectacular valley, where palm groves run down the center of a wadi and foreboding red-sandstone cliffs rise up on either side, Al Ula was an important trading hub for the ancient Lihyanites.

Spend your afternoon exploring the wonders of UNESCO-listed Madain Saleh, the Petra of Saudi Arabia. The site spreads over approximately 4,000 acres, with an abundance of relics and rockcut tombs. Discover the Nabatean Well, Qasr el-Bint, Diwan Tomb, and Al Farid Palace as well as the preserved railway station. As sunset approaches return to your tented camp for dinner.

Accommodation: Habitas AlUla | Canyon Villa - Double

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2022 AL ULA | IMPOSING MOUNTAINS & LEGENDARY LANDSCAPES

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Start the day with a desert adventure to AI Ragasat and its towering carved rose-colored sandstone mountains, known as the Dancers. After your mountain explorations, drive back to AI UIa for a traditional lunch. After refueling, continue to iconic Elephant Rock and the nearby mudbrick village, before driving onward to Harrat Uairedh, the town's highest point with stunning panoramic views of the surrounding landscape. Drink in the sunset from this spectacular vantage point over a cup of Arabic coffee or tea, with dates.



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This evening you may like to admire the area from above on an exhilarating optional helicopter ride over the surrounding landscape, taking in breathtaking aerial views of Al Ula (available at an additional cost paid locally). Return to your tented camp for dinner.

Accommodation: Habitas AlUla | Canyon Villa - Double

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2022 AL ULA / JEDDAH | CAPTIVATING PORT CITY

After a leisurely morning, transfer to the airport for your flight to Jeddah, Saudi Arabia's commercial capital and the main gateway to Mecca, the holiest city in Islam. The historic crossroads of pilgrims and traders, Jeddah is the most fascinating of Saudi Arabia's major cities, with a cosmopolitan and liberal air not found anywhere else in the country. Your first stop is the open-air museum on the Corniche, where you can admire an extraordinary array of modern sculpture ranging from traditional Arabic designs to the abstract and monumental. Afterward, gaze upon the "floating mosque," which appears to drift on the water's surface shimmering in the sun light. Pause to take in the spectacular views over the Red Sea. Next, discover King Fahd's Fountain, also known as Jeddah Fountain, which is the tallest of its type in the world, shooting saltwater from the Red Sea nearly 1,000 feet up into the air, at speeds over 185 miles per hour. Admire the city's Red Sea architecture, and explore the bustling *souk*, the laid-back coastline, and its diverse, world-class cuisine. The evening is yours to experience this captivating city.

Accommodation: The Ritz-Carlton, Jeddah | Deluxe City View Room - Double

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2022 JEDDAH | ANCIENT CITY EXPLORATIONS & DESIGN YOUR DAY

This morning, enjoy an expert-guided tour of Jeddah's traditional architecture. Visit some of the old Ottoman houses, constructed from coral and reinforced with wooden beams, including Nasif House, one of the most beautiful, which was built in the 1850s by the distinguished Nasif family. It was here that King Abdul Aziz spent his first night in Jeddah as the guest of Mohammed Nasif after leading his victorious army into the capital of the Western Province.

This afternoon, plot your own course by selecting one of these **Design Your Day** activities, arranged for you by your Resident Tour Director.

- Admire spectacular art and architecture at Abdul Raouf Khalil. Explore the Abdul Raouf Khalil Museum, which showcases the nearly 2,500-year-old history of the Jeddah area, its exhibits spanning pre-Islamic history to pre-modern civilizations and the rich Islamic cultural heritage of the city. The complex also contains a mosque and the facade of an old castle.

- Gaze at geological wonders while exploring majestic Moon Valley. Admire the geological wonders of majestic Moon Valley on a day hike. The area is known for its unique rock formations that have naturally formed over millions of years into different shapes. Hone your photographic skills as you clamber across the terrain, keeping an eye out for a variety of endemic wildlife.

- Take time out with a private beach experience. Unplug from the modern city with some private beach time. Jeddah boasts some of Saudi Arabia's best beaches, so take your pick and escape the city to relax in the sun or explore the underwater tropical forest on a snorkeling adventure.

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Return to the hotel with time to freshen up. This evening at 7:30 p.m., gather for your farewell dinner, which is accompanied by a mesmerizing traditional dance performance.

Accommodation: The Ritz-Carlton, Jeddah | Deluxe City View Room - Double

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2022 DEPART JEDDAH

Today you are transferred to the airport to board your departure flight.

Hotel check-out time is 12:00 p.m.

#### Ms Ashley Giampoli Mr Michael Bell

Turkish Airlines 0093 03A,03B (Issued by A&K) Departure Sunday, Nov 27,2022 2:15 PM JED Jeddah (King Abdulaziz International Airport) Saudi Arabia

Mrs Debra Giampoli Mr Roy Giampoli

Turkish Airlines 0093 Departure Sunday, Nov 27,2022 2:15 PM JED Jeddah (King Abdulaziz International Airport) Saudi Arabia Arrival Sunday, Nov 27, 2022 6:25 PM IST Istanbul (Ataturk Airport) Turkey

Arrival Sunday, Nov 27, 2022 6:25 PM IST Istanbul (Ataturk Airport) Turkey

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2022 DEPART ISTANBUL

#### Ms Ashley Giampoli Mr Michael Bell

Turkish Airlines 0185 07E,07F (Issued by A&K) Departure Monday, Nov 28,2022 7:30 AM IST Istanbul (Ataturk Airport) Turkey

#### Mrs Debra Giampoli Mr Roy Giampoli

Turkish Airlines 0185 Departure Monday, Nov 28,2022 7:30 AM IST Istanbul (Ataturk Airport) Turkey Arrival Monday, Nov 28, 2022 10:10 AM ORD Chicago, IL (O'Hare International Airport) United States of America

Arrival Monday, Nov 28, 2022 10:10 AM ORD Chicago, IL (O'Hare International Airport) United States of America

# **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

Click below for the Terms & Conditions for your journey.

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# PREPARING FOR YOUR JOURNEY

# **REVIEW YOUR PASSPORT**

Your passport needs to be valid for **at least six (6) months** after your journey ends, and should have enough blank visa pages for entry and exit stamps from each country you visit.

If you require assistance obtaining a new U.S. passport or passport renewal, contact our partner VisaCentral at <u>visacentral.com/abercrombiekent</u>.

# SECURE YOUR VISA

Many destinations also require a tourist visa for U.S. or other passport holders; see **Essential Information** for details as it pertains to your journey.

# COVID-19: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

A&K requires **proof of full COVID-19 vaccination** to travel on an A&K Small Group Journey, Luxury Expedition Cruise or Private Jet Journey. Guests on all journeys must comply with country entry and service provider requirements, which may include providing proof of COVID-19 vaccination. Be sure to review your **Essential Information** for details.

A&K will arrange any required testing during your journey or for onward travel. Please see our <u>FAQs</u> for information on what happens if you test positive for COVID-19 during your journey.

If you are a U.S. or Canadian resident returning home, there are currently no COVID-19 testing requirements for entry. Guests continuing to other countries should check the specific COVID-19 entry requirements for those destinations.

All requirements are subject to change, so continue to check the U.S. Department of State at <u>travel.state.gov</u> or the Government of Canada at <u>travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories</u> as your departure date approaches.

## REGISTER YOUR JOURNEY

Be sure to register with your nearest embassy or consulate for the destinations included in your journey. U.S. citizens can register through STEP, the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (<u>step.state.gov/step</u>). Canadian citizens can enroll in Registration of Canadians Abroad at Registration of Canadians Abroad.

## **UPDATE VACCINES & MEDICATIONS**

Check with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (<u>cdc.gov/travel</u>) or the World Health Organization (<u>who.int/en</u>) for the latest on required and recommended vaccines for your destination. You'll want to visit your doctor or local travel clinic a couple of months before departure to allow time for any vaccinations to take effect or to fill any prescriptions.

Be sure to pack your original COVID-19 and other vaccination certificates and required health documentation in your personal carry-on baggage in case you are asked to show them on arrival.

## MONEY MATTERS

We recommend travelling with some cash, and at least two different major credit cards, such as Visa and Mastercard, so you have backup if your card is not accepted or lost. Contact your bank and credit card companies to let them know where and when you'll be travelling, as well as confirm any foreign transaction fees.

When carrying cash, try to travel only with recently issued currency in smaller denominations; many merchants overseas won't accept wrinkled or torn bills. Only exchange currency at authorized outlets such as currency exchanges, ATMs or hotels and save receipts as they may be required for exit.

# **KEEP CONNECTED**

While most smartphones work overseas, you might need to turn on international roaming service before you travel. Contact your carrier for information on coverage and voice and data plan options while travelling abroad.

# **GETTING ONLINE**

Many hotels and public places have Wi-Fi and you'll usually be able to stay connected throughout your journey, although Internet access may be poor to nonexistent in remote destinations. Note that some countries block access to social media sites or otherwise impose restrictions on what content you can view or send online.

# WEATHER & TIME ZONES

Many websites and smartphone apps allow you to check the forecast and time zones for specific destinations. We recommend <u>weather.com</u> and <u>timeanddate.com/worldclock</u>. Upon arrival, the time on most smartphones will automatically adjust to the local time.

# STAY HEALTHY ON THE ROAD

Carry your prescriptions and over-the-counter medications in their original containers in your carry-on luggage. Pack a simple first-aid kit along with medicines for motion sickness and mild upset stomach. As a precaution, use only bottled water and avoid foods from street vendors.

Take care to observe safe health practices when travelling: Wash or sanitize your hands often; avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth; and cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing. If you begin to feel unwell at any point in your journey, please inform your guide.

# SAFE TRAVEL ESSENTIALS

Be sure to bring your own face masks and any other PPE you require during travel; a supply of masks will be on hand where needed. We also recommend travel-sized hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol, facial tissues and disinfecting wipes or spray.

Guests must wear a mask in accordance with local regulations and service provider requirements. Details specific to your journey are included in **Essential Information**. All protocols are subject to change in accordance with relevant guidelines, local regulations and conditions.

## PACKING FOR YOUR JOURNEY

Plan on packing light — many A&K journeys include domestic flights that impose much stricter weight restrictions than your international carrier. Consult the **Packing List and Baggage Restrictions** specifics provided in **Essential Information**. Be sure to also confirm baggage limitations with your international carrier before packing.

The typical attire on A&K journeys is relaxed and informal during the day. Choose comfortable, versatile clothing that can be layered to account for changes in the weather throughout the day. Smart casual is appropriate for evenings. Be sure to bring a global travel adapter set with you to recharge your electronics at your hotel or aboard ship. You can purchase a global travel adapter and many items on our packing list through A&K's Travel Store at <u>usa.thetraveloutfitter.com</u>.

# LUGGAGE TAGS

A&K luggage tags will be shipped to you prior to departure. Please use these tags, even if your bags already have ID tags. This makes it easier for A&K staff to find and manage your luggage for you.

# FLIGHTS

Be sure to **reconfirm** your international flights 24 hours prior to your departure. Tickets for any internal flights, if included on your itinerary, will be issued by A&K representatives at your destination and presented to you as needed.

# **KEEP VALUABLES SECURE**

We strongly recommend leaving valuables such as jewelry at home as A&K cannot be responsible. Use safes where available to secure your valuables, especially passports, money, jewelry, electronics and medications. Replacing a lost or stolen passport is much easier if you have a copy on hand. Pack a photocopy of your passport's personal information page with your luggage, and keep a photo of it on your smartphone.

# ARRIVE TO A WARM WELCOME

Your A&K local representative (holding a bright yellow A&K sign) meets you at the airport when you arrive (excludes European Canal Barge Cruises, which have designated pick-up points). See your itinerary for additional arrival instructions.

## SMART SHOPPING

If you are interested in shopping, your A&K guide may recommend local shops; however, A&K is not responsible for the quality or value of merchandise. Any purchases and shipping are at your sole discretion.

Be sure to review your credit card receipts before signing, paying special attention to currency conversion. We recommend taking items with you in lieu of shipping them whenever possible. Consult the local customs authority (<u>cbp.gov</u> in the U.S. and <u>travel.gc.ca</u> in Canada) for information on what you can bring back and duty taxes. Keep receipts and items together.

# PHOTOGRAPHY ETIQUETTE

Be sure to ask permission before taking pictures of local people, including small children. Note photography is not permitted in some locations, which is usually clearly marked. If in doubt, ask your guide to avoid having your camera confiscated.

# TIPS ON TIPPING

Tipping on A&K journeys varies depending on where and how you travel. Consult the **Tipping Guidelines** provided for your journey in **Essential Information**.

# ESSENTIAL INFORMATION SAUDI ARABIA: DESERT KINGDOMS

#### PASSPORT AND VISA INFORMATION

Your passport needs to be valid for **at least six (6) months** after your journey ends and should have a minimum of one (1) blank visa page for entry and exit stamps.

# An Electronic Visa (eVisa) is required for U.S. and Canadian passport holders for entry into Saudi Arabia.

To apply for an eVisa, visit <u>Welcome to Saudi Arabia - Visit Saudi Official Website</u>. The current fee for a multiple-entry visa, which is valid for one year, is 535 SAR (approximately USD \$142; subject to change without notice). Read and follow all instructions carefully to ensure a smooth arrival in Saudi Arabia.

Our partner VisaCentral offers easy, efficient U.S. passport and visa processing. Visit them online at <u>visacentral.com/abercrombiekent</u> or call 844 823 1224 and reference A&K's account number 73001. Service fees apply.

Citizens of other countries should contact the appropriate consular office for entry requirements pertaining to their journey.

## COVID-19 COUNTRY ENTRY REQUIREMENTS & TRAVEL ADVISORIES

A&K requires proof of COVID-19 vaccination for travel on this journey.

The following are the current COVID-19 screening requirements for entry into the Saudi Arabia for U.S. and Canadian residents. Visit the U.S. Department of State at <u>travel.state.gov</u> or the Government of Canada at <u>travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories</u> for up-to-date information and travel advisories. All requirements are subject to change.

All travellers are required to carry a certificate of travel insurance which specifically includes coverage for medical treatment and hospitalization costs for COVID-19 for the duration of travel.

#### **VACCINATIONS & MEDICATIONS**

A yellow fever vaccination is only required to enter Saudi Arabia <u>if</u> you are arriving from, or have transited through, a yellow fever-endemic area in South America or Africa. The CDC and WHO each provide a current list of all affected countries. If vaccination for yellow fever is necessary, you must carry an International Certificate of Vaccination provided by your physician; you may be denied entry without it. If your physician advises against receiving the vaccination because of your personal medical history, he or she can provide you with the necessary documentation for the country/countries you are visiting.

## LOCAL HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOLS

While there are currently no generalized face mask requirements for public spaces Saudi Arabia, masking regulations may apply in select settings, such as health care facilities. We encourage you to bring your own masks; a supply will be on hand where needed. Note all protocols are subject to change in accordance with relevant guidelines, local regulations and conditions.

CASH & CREDIT CARDS

Cash transactions should be made in local currency. Major credit cards are widely accepted for goods and services. Access to ATM machines is widespread in cities and towns but may be limited in rural areas.

# OF SPECIAL NOTE: ALCOHOL IN SAUDI ARABIA

The importation, possession and/or consumption of alcohol in Saudi Arabia is prohibited and punishable by law. All beverages offered throughout this journey are non-alcoholic.

# PACKING LIST

Please use the provided A&K luggage tags, even if your bags already have ID tags. This makes it easier for A&K staff to collect and manage your luggage for you.

#### Safe Travel Essentials

Be sure to bring personal protective equipment (PPE), including face masks, travel-sized hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol, facial tissues and disinfecting wipes or spray.

#### General Dress Code in Saudi Arabia

As a traditional Islamic nation, Saudi Arabia observes a strict dress code that must be adhered to at all times. Women should wear long skirts or loose-fitting pants and ensure that their ankles and arms are properly covered. Men should keep their arms covered as well. Though it is not legally required, women may occasionally be asked to wear an abaya (long robe) or hijab (headscarf).

Please note that men and women cannot use swimming pools at the same time in Saudi Arabia. There are designated times when each can use the pool, generally with women's swim hours being during the day. Check with your hotel for specifics.

#### Clothing

Choose versatile, casual clothing that can be layered if the weather (or level of air-conditioning) requires. Smart casual attire is appropriate for evenings. Formal clothing is not necessary.

□ Casual slacks	□ <i>Abaya</i> (a long, loose black robe) for women	
<ul> <li>Polo shirts, casual short-sleeve shirts or blouses</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Hijab (scarf large enough to cover neck and shoulders for women)</li> </ul>	
Long comfortable skirts for women	Long sleeved shirts or blouses	
Sweater or lightweight jacket	Comfortable walking shoes with traction	
Brimmed hat for sun protection	□ Foldable umbrella to use as sun shade	
□ Sleepwear	Personal garments	
□ Socks	□ Swimwear/cover-up	
Other Recommended Items		
□ Sunglasses	Sun block / Insect repellent	
□ Simple first-aid kit	<ul> <li>Prescriptions and medications (in their original bottles and/or packaging)</li> </ul>	
Extra eyeglasses/contact lenses	□ Smartphone	

□ Charging cables for electronics

□ Global travel adapter

**Optional Items** 

□ Small LED flashlight □ Foldable walking stick

□ Small daypack or fanny pack

Laundry service is available at most hotels and dry cleaning is available in larger cities. Check costs and return times before using these services.

# TIPPING GUIDELINES

As a convenience, <u>all staff gratuities are included</u> on your Limited Edition Small Group Journey: *Saudi Arabia: Desert Kingdoms*.

Any additional gratuities that you may wish to bestow upon any specific member/s of your tour staff are left to your personal discretion.

For extra nights or Tailor Made services added to your main journey, we suggest the following gratuities (noted in U.S. dollars).

	Tailor Made Journeys
Local Guide	\$40 per person, per day
(driving own vehicle)	(full day)
Local Guide	\$25 per person, per day
(with separate driver)	(full day)
Drivers	\$15 per person, per day
Divers	(full day)
Airport Transfer Drivers	\$5 per person, per transfer
Hotel Porters	\$2 per bag
Housekeepers	\$2 per person, per night
Included Meals	10-15% unless already added
Restaurants or Room Service on Own	10-15% unless already added

# CONTACTS

#### SAUDI ARABIA: DESERT KINGDOMS

The telephone numbers shown here are exact numbers to be dialed from the U.S. or when using a U.S. smartphone. For calls originating elsewhere, replace 011 with the "+" symbol on your smartphone keypad.

In case of an emergency, please contact:

#### **ABERCROMBIE & KENT USA**

24-Hour Telephone: 1 630 725 3400 Toll Free: 1 800 323 7308 (For calls within North America only)

To reach a local office or accommodation during your journey, see below:

#### **ABERCROMBIE & KENT AUSTRALIA**

This Limited Edition Small Group Journey is operated by A&K Australia Telephone: 011 61 3 9536 1800 After Hours Emergency Telephone: 011 61 409 026 808

#### SAUDI ARABIA **ABERCROMBIE & KENT SAUDI ARABIA** Emergency Telephone: 011 966 565 244 566 Email: contact@abercrombiekent.com.au

#### THE RITZ-CARLTON, RIYADH

AlHada Area, Mekkah Road Riyadh, 11493 Saudi Arabia Telephone: 011 966 11 802 8020

#### MILLENNIUM HOTEL HAIL

Hail University Complex, North Hail City Road Hail Saudi Arabia Telephone: 011 966 16 538 6111

#### HABITAS ALULA

Ashar Valley, AlUla, Saudi Arabia Telephone: 011 966 14 821 3900

#### THE RITZ-CARLTON, JEDDAH

Al Hamra District Al Corniche Road Jeddah, 21493 Saudi Arabia Telephone: 011 966 12 231 4444



# COMMITTED TO SUSTAINABILITY

Established in 1982, A&K Philanthropy (AKP) is dedicated to improving lives and livelihoods in the communities where our guests travel. As part of our ongoing mission, AKP and our local offices support over 40 projects in their communities around the world that focus on one of the four pillars of AKP — **Conservation, Education, Health** and **Job Creation** — making for a philanthropic commitment unequalled in the travel industry. What follow are just a few of the projects supported by AKP.

#### South Georgia Heritage Trust

On the sub-Antarctic island of South Georgia, a team of scientists works to save one of the planet's most important seabird habitats with help from AKP.

#### Children of the Rainbow School

In Peru's Sacred Valley, an AKP-supported school provides an oasis of education and hope to the region's least-privileged children.

#### **Cambodia Clean Water Project**

This project digs clean-water wells to combat waterborne illness and foster a healthier future for local families in rural Cambodian villages.

#### Chipego Bike Shop

In Zambia's Nakatindi Village, a small group of local women have turned a tiny co-op into an inspiringly successful enterprise radiating prosperity throughout the region.

## HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

On many journeys, you have the opportunity to visit an AKP partner project, and see firsthand the positive impact these efforts have on their communities. Whether it's celebrating a newly opened maternity ward or serving lunch to local schoolchildren, philanthropic visits afford a wealth of moving experiences you won't find anywhere else, and many of our guests experience their journeys' most impactful moments during these visits. You can learn more about AKP and the projects we support at **akphilanthropy.org**.

## DONATIONS WHILE TRAVELLING

A&K guests often ask about bringing material donations (such as school supplies and books) to help the communities they visit. By donating to a local project through **akphilanthropy.org** instead, guests can know that their donation empowers the community and assists the local project in the most effective way possible. **100% of each donation to AKP goes directly to support local projects worldwide.** 

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