



Socotra Phoenix Tours

October 2025 - May 2026

8 Days

7 Nights

All-inclusive Itinerary

Day *one*

Arrival and Arher Beach

Welcome to Socotra!

Upon arrival at Socotra International Airport, you will be greeted by your friendly **Socotra Phoenix Tours** guide and team. Enjoy a traditional **Socotri lunch with locals**, giving you your first taste of the island's unique hospitality and cuisine.

Afterwards, your adventure begins with a scenic drive to **Arher Beach**, where dramatic coastal cliffs meet pristine white sand dunes, and freshwater streams flow gently into the turquoise sea.

Enjoy a refreshing **swim in the turquoise waters** or challenge yourself with a climb up the towering **white sand dunes** for **breathtaking panoramic views** of the island's coastline.

As evening falls, gather for a **delicious dinner** before settling into **overnight camping under the stars**, with the sound of the waves and the desert breeze completing this magical experience.



Day *two*

Hoq Cave, Ras Erissel



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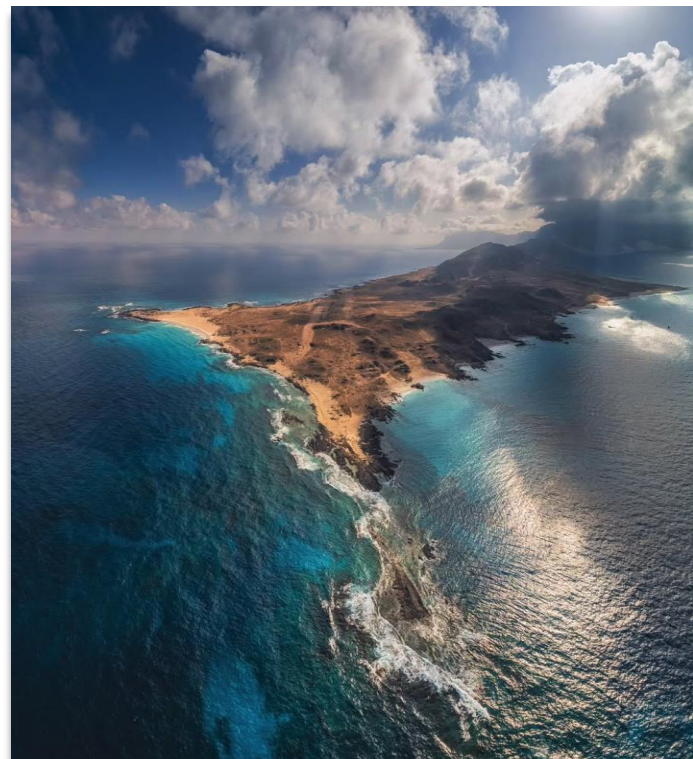
Start your day with a delicious **local breakfast** before setting out on a trek to the awe-inspiring **Hoq Cave**. This adventure involves a **3 km steep hike** that rewards you with an underground wonderland of dramatic stalactites and stalagmites formed over thousands of years.

💡 *Tip: Bring a reliable headlamp or flashlight, as parts of the cave can be very dark.*

After the trek, return to **camp for lunch and a well-deserved rest** before continuing your journey.

In the afternoon, head to **Ras Erissel**, the easternmost tip of Socotra where the **Arabian Sea meets the Indian Ocean**. Here, you can relax by the shore, enjoy the dramatic scenery, and witness the unique meeting of two great seas.

As evening falls, return to **Arher Beach** for a delicious dinner and **overnight camping beneath the stars**, surrounded by the sound of the waves and the beauty of the dunes.



Day *three*

Sunrise Hike & Dihamri Marine Reserve & Homhil Protected Area



Early Morning Hike & Dihamri Marine Reserve

Begin your day with an **early morning hike** up the sand dunes of **Arher Beach** to witness a breathtaking **sunrise over the coastline**. After soaking in the views, return to camp for a hearty **breakfast**.

Next, drive to the **Dihamri Marine Reserve**, one of Socotra's most remarkable snorkeling and diving locations. With the guidance of an experienced **dive master**, you'll explore vibrant coral reefs alive with marine life—sea turtles, parrotfish, moray eels, and countless tropical fish. Whether you choose to snorkel or dive, this underwater paradise offers an unforgettable experience.

Afternoon at Homhil (or Kilishan Wadi – Optional)

After lunch, continue your journey to the **Homhil Protected Area**, a magical landscape home to the legendary **Dragon Blood Trees**, Desert Roses, and frankincense trees. Here you can also relax at the **natural infinity pool**, perched high above the cliffs with panoramic views of the Arabian Sea.

Alternatively, you may opt for an excursion to **Kilishan Wadi**, a lush valley offering fresh pools and shaded areas perfect for relaxation and exploration.

In the evening, enjoy **dinner and an overnight stay**. Depending on your preference, you can **camp in Homhil or in Kilishan Wadi**, both offering unique experiences close to nature under the Socotri night sky.



Day *four*

Kilisan Wadi and Zahek Sand Dunes and Indian Ocean Beaches



Morning at Kilishan Wadi

Begin the day exploring **Kilishan Wadi**, home to **Socotra's largest natural pool**. Surrounded by lush green vegetation and striking white limestone cliffs, this hidden paradise is perfect for relaxation and adventure.

Take a refreshing swim in the crystal-clear waters, or—if you're feeling bold—try **cliff jumping** into the deep pool. Keep an eye out for the colorful **Socotri chameleons** that thrive in this unique environment, adding to the magic of the wadi.

Afternoon at Zahek

Journey from the **northern highlands to the southern coast** of Socotra, arriving at the mesmerizing **Zahek Sand Dunes** in the heart of the Noked plains. Here, vast stretches of **powdery white sand** roll gently down to the shoreline, where the **Indian Ocean meets the land** in a breathtaking fusion of sea and desert.

Spend the afternoon soaking in this magical landscape—climb the dunes, feel the soft sands under your feet, and take in the serenity of Socotra's southern coast. As the day draws to a close, witness a **picturesque sunset over the dunes**, painting the sky with vibrant hues.

End the day with **dinner and overnight camping at Zahek**, under a canopy of stars and the sound of waves nearby.



Day *five*

Dagub Cave & Diksam Plateau and Dragon Blood Tree Forest

Cave & Canyon Exploration

Begin the day with a visit to **Dagub Cave**, famous for its glistening wet rock walls and intriguing natural formations shaped over millennia. After exploring the cave, continue your journey to the breathtaking **Diksam Plateau**, a highland region renowned for its sweeping views and the iconic **Dragon Blood Trees** that grow only on Socotra.

From the plateau, descend into the dramatic **Wadi Dirhur Canyon**, where towering cliffs give way to a lush valley lined with graceful **palm trees and Bottle Trees**. The canyon offers a striking contrast of rugged rock and vibrant greenery, making it one of Socotra's most scenic landscapes to explore.

Afternoon in Firmihin Forest

Spend the afternoon exploring the enchanting **Firmihin Forest**, the largest concentration of **Dragon Blood Trees** on the island. Wander through this otherworldly landscape where the umbrella-shaped trees stand as living relics of Socotra's ancient past.

As the sun begins to set, enjoy a **sunset photo walk**, capturing the surreal silhouettes of the Dragon Blood Trees against the glowing horizon—one of the most iconic sights of Socotra.

End the day with **dinner and an overnight stay amidst the ancient trees**, surrounded by the stillness and mystery of this unique forest.



Day *six*

Detwah Lagoon and Qalansiya Village



Scenic Drive & Lagoon Exploration

Depart from the **high plateau** and make your way toward Socotra's **western coast**, enjoying the shifting landscapes along the route. Stop at the traditional fishing village of **Qalansiya**, where narrow lanes and friendly locals offer a glimpse into everyday island life.

From here, continue to the breathtaking **Detwah Lagoon**, a UNESCO-protected marine sanctuary renowned for its **crystal-clear waters, abundant marine life, and sweeping white sand beaches**. The lagoon's tranquil setting makes it a perfect place to relax, swim, or simply take in the panoramic beauty of Socotra's western shores.

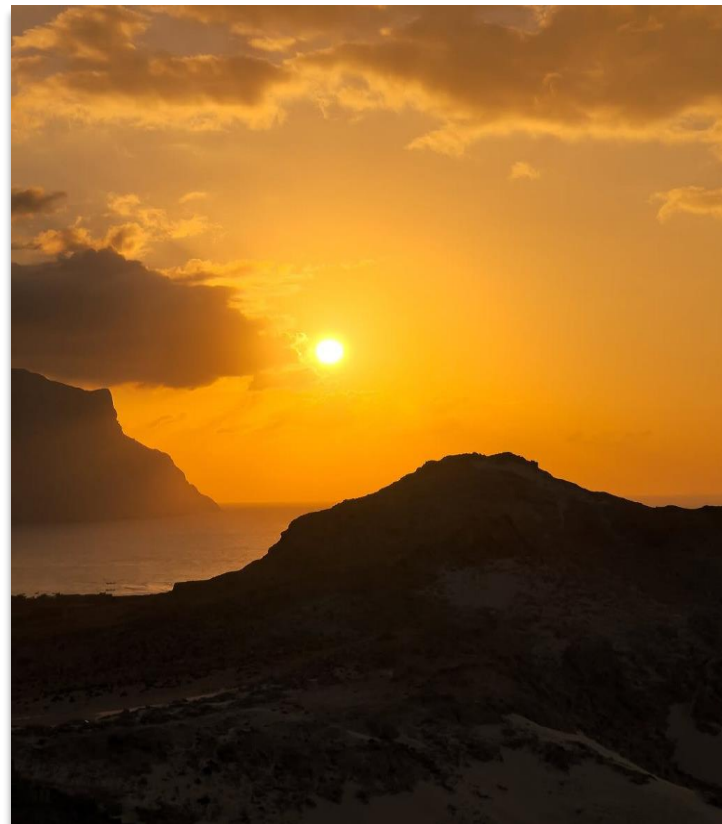
Detwah Lagoon Experience

Spend the day swimming and exploring the **stunning white sand beach** of **Detwah Lagoon**, a protected paradise teeming with marine life and framed by dramatic coastal scenery.

Enjoy a **traditional lunch in camp**, adding a cultural touch to your experience as you savor local flavors in a serene setting.

As the afternoon fades, take a leisurely stroll along the lagoon before watching a **spectacular sunset over the Indian Ocean**, where golden light reflects across the tranquil waters.

End the day with **dinner and overnight at Detwah Lagoon**, camping by the shore under a sky full of stars.



Day *seven*

Shoab Beach and Dolphin Watching & Detwah Beach



Morning Boat Ride to Shoab Beach

Begin the day with a scenic **boat ride from Qalansiya to Shoab Beach**, a pristine stretch of untouched coastline accessible only by sea. Along the way, it's common to be accompanied by **playful pods of dolphins** riding the waves beside the boat—an unforgettable sight.

On arrival, enjoy plenty of time for **swimming in crystal-clear waters, strolling the endless white sand, and relaxing in complete tranquility.**

After this refreshing escape, return by boat to **Detwah Lagoon** where a delicious **lunch at camp** awaits.

Afternoon Cave Exploration

In the afternoon, set out on a short hike to explore the **cave man's dwelling**, a fascinating glimpse into traditional island life. Discover the simplicity of his lifestyle—humorous, authentic, and full of character—making for an engaging cultural encounter.

End the day with **dinner and overnight in Detwah Lagoon**, surrounded by the calm waters and starry skies of Socotra's west coast.













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

Departure Day

Farewell Breakfast Conclude your adventure with a hearty breakfast. Depending on your flight schedule, you may have time for last-minute shopping in **Hadiboh** or a visit to the **local fish market**.

Included

-  What's Included
-  Socotra traveler visa & entry permits
-  All 4x4 transportation across the island
-  Comfortable private tent camping (mattress, blanket, pillow, covers)
-  All meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner (fresh & local)
-  Daily refreshments (water, tea, coffee, snacks)
-  Local English-speaking guide & support team
-  All guided hikes & exploration tours
-  Nature reserve & campsite entry fees
-  Luggage handling & basic camping services

Not Included


-  What's Not Included
-  Flight Abu Dhabi → Socotra (round trip) – Approx. \$930 (We assist with booking)
-  International flight to Abu Dhabi
-  Optional diving fees: \$100 shore dive / \$150 boat dive
-  Snorkeling gear rental – \$10 (or bring your own)
-  Personal items (towel, toiletries, etc.)
-  Gratuities for guides, drivers, cooks (optional)
-  Travel insurance
- Hotel (optional)


Additional Info


Getting to Socotra


- Flights: 2 weekly charter flights from Abu Dhabi (Tuesdays & Fridays and Sundays on pic season)
- Return flights: Same days of the week from Socotra
- Tip: Arrive in Abu Dhabi at least 1 day before your Socotra flight.
- We handle: Full assistance in booking your flight.


Visa

 Visa Processing – 100% Included

 We handle your traveler visa and all required permits.

 Only need your passport copy.

 All documents sent to you before your flight.

 No passport stamp – issued on a separate document to avoid future travel issues.