

Media Fact File **Madinat Jumeirah, The Arabian Resort – Dubai**

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Location

Madinat Jumeirah is located adjacent to sister properties Jumeirah Beach Hotel, Burj Al Arab and Wild Wadi Water Park, and is a leisurely half hour drive from Dubai International Airport.

History

Developer and architect, Mirage Mille took 36 months to complete construction of the first phase of the resort, Mina A' Salam which opened in September 2003. The vision was to recreate life as it used to be for residents along Dubai Creek, complete with waterways, abras, wind towers and a bustling souk.

Structure and Exterior Design

The resort is authentically Arabian-styled featuring unique UAE architecture and design that encompasses three core components; two grand boutique hotels; and clusters of 29 traditional Arabic summer houses among the gardens and waterways, all built around the souk, the traditional centre of Arabic life at the heart of the resort.

Mina A' Salam or 'The Harbour of Peace' can be identified by its sand coloured wind towers and unique shape whilst Al Qasr which literally translates to 'the Palace', was designed to reflect a Sheikh's summer residence and is therefore lighter in colour and elevated to emphasise its splendour.

The traditional Arabian courtyard summer houses inspired the stand-alone, two-storey residential retreats of Dar Al Masyaf, which represent the premium accommodation within the resort, suiting guests seeking a more intimate hideaway.

Waterways link all areas of the resort and are serviced by abras (water taxi's) offering guests an alternative way to view the resort.

Guest Rooms and Suites

Mina A' Salam offers a stunning choice of 292 rooms and suites including:

115 Ocean Deluxe Rooms

- 81** Arabian Deluxe Rooms
- 31** Club Ocean Deluxe Rooms
- 27** Premium Leisure Ocean Deluxe Rooms
- 19** Club Arabian Deluxe Rooms
- 7** Premium Leisure Arabian Deluxe Rooms
- 6** Arabian Gulf Suites
- 4** Ocean Suites
- 2** Royal Suites

The 292 luxurious rooms and suites available at Al Qasr include:

- 99** Arabian Deluxe Rooms
- 41** Premium Leisure Ocean Deluxe Rooms
- 40** Club Executive Arabian Deluxe Rooms
- 35** Premium Leisure Arabian Deluxe Rooms
- 29** Ocean Deluxe Rooms
- 16** Club Executive Ocean Deluxe Rooms
- 14** Junior Arabian Suites
- 7** Ocean Suites
- 5** Arabian Suites
- 3** Junior Ocean Suites
- 2** Presidential Suites
- 1** Royal Suite

Dar Al Masyaf offers 283 rooms and suites in 29 clusters including:

- 108** Arabian Summer House Deluxe Rooms (King)
- 36** Arabian Summer House Deluxe Rooms (Twin)
- 18** Arabian Summer House Suites

- 47** Gulf Summer House Arabian Deluxe Rooms (Twin)
- 15** Gulf Summer House Arabian Deluxe Rooms (King)
- 3** Gulf Summer House Arabian Suites

- 40** Gulf Summer House Ocean Deluxe Rooms (King)
- 8** Gulf Summer House Ocean Deluxe Rooms (Twin)
- 8** Gulf Summer House Ocean Suites

The seven Malakiya Villas offer a choice of:

- 4** 3 Bedroom Malakiya Villas
- 2** 2 Bedroom Malakiya Villas
- 1** Royal Malakiya Villa

The guest rooms at Mina A' Salam are a minimum of 50m² and feature a private balcony with views of the Arabian Gulf. In keeping with the overall resort theme, the rooms are dominated with a rich Arabian style; natural dark wood finishes, antique furnishings and exquisite detailing.

Guest rooms at Al Qasr are a minimum of 55m² and are furnished in Arabian styles, befitting the palatial theme.

Dar Al Masyaf offers two villa types, Gulf and Arabian each with a minimum of 60m². Each villa offers 11 luxurious self-contained guest rooms and suites, each with their own

personal butler and discreet in-suite check-in service. All villas benefit from privileged locations within the resort, with the Gulf Villas located along the beach. A shared traditional Arabic courtyard is at the centre of each villa, guests also have privileged access to a private pool, located in the centre of each cluster.

The more exclusive Malakiya Villas range from 250m²-560m², for guests seeking luxury seclusion and discretion. Each villa is a duplex, with its own butler and in-suite check – in, furnished kitchen, plunge pool, abra station and private entrance with direct private access to the souk.

Club Executive guests enjoy courtesy limousines, priority check-in areas, luxurious lounges and meeting areas ideal for the business traveller, while Premium Leisure Club offers similar benefits for families seeking more exclusivity.

Souk Madinat Jumeirah

A unique re-creation of an ancient market place, Souk Madinat Jumeirah has a vibrant bazaar-like atmosphere greets visitors with 75 boutique-style open-shuttered shops and intimate galleries. Throughout the meandering pathways, visitors can purchase goods from barrows and shops spilling out into the streets selling spices, oud, gifts and souvenirs, handicrafts, clothing, jewellery and gold, from 10.00am to 10.00pm seven days a week.

The Souk also contains a wide variety of restaurants, cafes and bars and is home to the First Group Theatre.

The First Group Theatre

The First Group Theatre is a 442 seat luxury venue located within the busy streets of Souk Madinat Jumeirah. Designed by stage professionals, the theatre stages productions by internationally acclaimed groups with performances ranging from drama and dance to comedy and film.

Restaurants and Bars

BarZar –Industrial elegance meets warehouse urbanity in this bar and brasserie, located in Souk Madinat Jumeirah, often showing the latest sporting action.

Pisces – Ocean dining with stylish simplicity, from pacific shellfish to mouth-watering Mediterranean selections, located in Souk Madinat Jumeirah.

Toscana – A rustic setting of amiable informality offering traditional pasta dishes and authentic pizza within a family friendly environment, located in Souk Madinat Jumeirah.

The Agency – Fine wines and tapas are served in a socially active ambience at Souk Madinat Jumeirah.

The Noodle House – A Far-Eastern restaurant in a surrounding of animated activity with an open kitchen, located in Souk Madinat Jumeirah.

Shoo Fee Ma Fee – Literally meaning 'What's up' or 'What's happening,' in Arabic, Shoo Fee Ma Fee offers Moroccan snacks and Arabesque tapas across three floors overlooking the waterways of Souk Madinat Jumeirah.

Segreto – In the shadow of Al Qasr and near to the Malakiya Villas, Segreto is a classic Italian restaurant of superlative quality located in Souk Madinat Jumeirah.

P – A Parisian-style brasserie serving hearty and simple flavours in a relaxed atmosphere, located on the terrace above Pisces at Souk Madinat Jumeirah.

Centimetro – A rooftop bar that defines Italian lounging, Centimetro serves snacks and drinks with a view, located at Souk Madinat Jumeirah.

Jambase – A supper club that provides dining, drinking and dancing in abundance, as well as a live band, located at Souk Madinat Jumeirah.

The Courtyard – A street café with an Arabic twist, and the perfect place to enjoy pastries, teas, coffees and shisha, located at Souk Madinat Jumeirah.

Arboretum – Offering international all-day dining located at Al Qasr.

The Armoury Lounge –The perfect place for fine cigars in the comfortable and peaceful surroundings of Al Qasr.

Al Hambra – A family restaurant combining the tastes of Spain with the impressions of Morocco, located in Al Qasr.

Al Fayrooz Lounge – Accessed from Al Qasr's main lobby, Al Fayrooz is a large and informal lounge serving drinks and light snacks.

Khaymat Al Bahar –A reflection of Bedouin structure, Khaymat Al Bahar or 'tent on the beach' serves the beach and pool of Al Qasr.

Pai Thai – A Thai restaurant of incomparable beauty, located at Al Qasr.

Pierchic – Fine seafood on the pier served in one of the most romantic settings in the city, at Al Qasr.

Koubba Bar – Stylish rooftop bar in Arabesque ambience, serving a wide variety of drinks and snacks, located at Al Qasr.

MJ's – A true carnivore's heaven with all the steakhouse favourites, located at Al Qasr.

Magnolia – Dubai's only wellbeing restaurant, nutritionally balanced and mostly organic vegetarian dishes are served in a harmonious waterside garden setting at Al Qasr.

Al Muna – An international all-day dining restaurant with regional overtones, located at Mina A' Salam.

Zheng He's – Modern Chinese cuisine with a radical twist and Far Eastern ambience, located at Mina A' Salam.

The Wharf – A gastro pub concept serving traditional comfort food, overlooking the waterways of Mina A' Salam

Nakhuda Bar – Arabic for "Senior Captain of a Dhow" this venue offers food and drinks in a sea-faring environment at Mina A' Salam.

Bahri Bar – Translated as 'Views of the Sea', Bahri Bar serves delicious Arabian tapas and a wide range of drinks, located at Mina A' Salam.

Al Samar – The lobby lounge of Mina A' Salam.

Shimmers – After sunset, beachside restaurant Shimmers evolves into a relaxed, laid back venue offering the finest Arabian hospitality, located on the beach at Mina A' Salam.

Conference and Banqueting Facilities

Madinat Jumeirah boasts the region's leading conference, banqueting and events facilities; few venues compare with the technical and logistical scope, quality and capabilities offered by the resort.

Mina A' Salam offers a junior ballroom "Majlis Al Mina" and the main ballroom "Majlis Al Salam", the ballrooms are luxuriously equipped and able to seat 110 and 350 guests respectively.

Madinat Conference Hall is the region's most comprehensive meetings and events facility. A senior ballroom of 1,844m² and a junior ballroom of 388m² are superbly equipped and adorned in richly decorative Arabic themes along with five individual meeting rooms, a Majlis and a pre-function area.

Built around a large lagoon, Madinat Arena is a Multi-Purpose Venue, designed in the style of an old fortress, with a ground floor multi-purpose arena, a pre-function area and an elevated VIP area. Within the Arena, a portable seating system, fixed upper gallery and VIP seating can accommodate up to 4,000 people.

Fort Island is Madinat Jumeirah's outdoor function area of *** with a wide variety of with conference and banqueting options. The area is surrounded by waterways and benefits from the proximity of the resort facilities.

Talise Spa

Talise spa is located amid semi-tropical gardens lined with bamboo, palm trees, frangipani and hibiscus flowers and bordered by gently flowing waterways that allow guests access to the spa by abras. The spa ambience is soothing and serene which is further enhanced by an interior scheme of earthy warm tones, soft cushions and velvety fabrics.

Talise Spa provides a venue for lifestyle change and a journey of self discovery, encompassing all the elements that define a person's lifestyle. The Talise experience incorporates nutrition, exercise and fitness, alternative therapies, traditional spa treatments, relaxation and rejuvenation.

The spa is setting new standards in holistic care and beauty treatments featuring 26 treatment rooms, built in clusters. There are a variety of treatment rooms with private gardens or balcony, including a crystal and light therapy room, as well as hydrotherapy rooms with indoor and outdoor baths and steam showers, a Watsu pool and Kneipp basins, and two honeymoon suites complete with private changing facilities, sunken baths, relaxation areas, steam showers and home theatre. There are also three Arabic tents which are used as treatment areas amidst the gardens and waterways.

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The Quay Health Club

The Quay Health Club combines luxury and health, with a state of the art fully equipped gym overlooking the indoor lap pool. Pillars of bright mosaic reflect the mood of well-being; the club also features squash courts, steam rooms, saunas and a healthy cafe.