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Field Trip - DNHG Field Trip to Shimal and the abandoned hidden village in Wadi Haqil in RAK

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Trip Description

The aim of this hike is to familiarize participants with the historical timeline of the UAE, and the incredible archaeological record that pre-dates Julfar (now Ras Al Khaimah), the history of Julfar, the history of Ras Al Khaimah and the truces that lend themselves to the name The Trucial Coast.

A visit to the tombs and settlement remains from the 2nd and 3rd millennia BC, the pottery kilns of Julfar (and Sheba’s Palace), and the incredible site of the hidden village of Hamma are all planned. It is hoped to be rounded out by a visit to the Ras Al Khaimah Museum.

(The hike to this hidden village has a bit of a scramble up about 40 m. of loose scree and then a dramatic hill-face path to the plateau. This hike has been done in the moonlight in the past! A rare treat).

This field trip is limited to 10 vehicles and David will try to ensure that each is filled to capacity with eager adventurers. Get excited!!

Those interested should email David Edwards at dedwards@hct.ac.ae