

Saturday, March 3 - DNHG Fieldtrip " Explore Heritage and Nature" at the East Coast and Hajjar Mountains

On Saturday, 3rd March 2018, Ulrike will lead a full-day trip to give the opportunity to explore the heritage village in Khor Fakkan guided by the Sharjah Institute for Heritage. Thereafter we will continue to wander through the old souq and related areas not yet restored.

We will continue our trip through the Omani exclave Madha to reach Old Nahwa, a second order enclave belonging to Sharjah. There we expect an interesting exploring of some hidden secrets in the village and the old settlements on a mountain range. A drive through the amazing Wadi Shis will lead us to Shis, our 3rd stop, where we may encounter a pool (not for swimming), water fall and old village up the hill with views over the lush oasis.

Our last stop will be in Daftah to search for some petroglyphs. The trip will conclude at around 4pm.

E89 brings you back to Masafi, from there via Al Dhaid to Dubai, ETA around 6pm.

The trip from Khor Fakkan through the mountains is around 40km, however, majority is on dirt road. **SUV is required.**

When/ where to meet?

Depart independently from Dubai for meeting Ulrike sharp at **9.15am** in Khor Fakkan. Allow 2hrs 30 minutes drive max. Map details will be sent upon sign-up.

What do bring:

Footwear for short but rocky climb **(medium difficult)**

Water (3 litres recommended)

Lunch

Hat

Sun protection

Windbreaker/ cardigan in case of cooler temperature

Camera, binoculars

Field guide for birds and plants

Limited number of participants: **max. 30 in max. 8 cars** considering parking constraints especially in the wadi. Please agree on car shares as much as possible to allow more participants to join. Please note also that the trip will start in Khor Fakkan but will end on the new road to Masafi.

Sign up here: [lavson@gmail.com](mailto:lavson@gmail.com)

To sign up please advise

Your first and family name

Your mobile phone number

Number of persons

Car/needs a share

**WEATHER:** in the event of heavy rain the days prior, the access to the wadi is not advisable. In this case alternatively we will spend some hours at a nearby beach to explore sea creatures.