

**Pre-Christmas picnic in the desert with overnight camping**  
**Friday and Saturday, 11th to 12th December, 2015**

For those who will be in Dubai in December and would like to enjoy the nice weather and a weekend outdoors, we are organizing the traditional DNHG pre-Christmas picnic in the desert.

As last year we will venture into the stunning desert in Batayeh area (Umm Al Quwain Emirate).

We will meet in Batayeh and follow a fairly good track through the desert, stopping at camel and saluki racing tracks and other interest points. We will drive over some shallow sandy patches so 4WDs will be needed.

We will stop in the amazing orange sand dunes in a small ghaf tree forest. Apart from the walk to explore the dunes and camping, the central part of our outing will be sharing an international picnic:

You are asked to bring your favorite food, possibly your typical national (Christmas) dish or two to share with the group. No need for huge quantities, everyone should bring a bit more food than usual, which will be then laid out in an international buffet to share - a great way of experience variety of cuisines and enjoy a different (pre)Christmas in the desert.

This will be a two-day trip and those who wish can stay for overnight camping in the desert.

The group will be limited to max 8 cars, sharing is of course encouraged.

More details on where and when to meet and what to bring will follow.

If interested, **please contact Sonja at [lavson@gmail.com](mailto:lavson@gmail.com)** for more information.