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## DAMASCUS MARATHON 2023

## PROGRAM

4 DAYS / 3 NIGHTS

### DAY 1

NOV 8

Beirut to Damascus. We meet in Beverly Hotel in the lobby at 8:00am and take the bus to the border between Lebanon and Syria. The transfer takes around 2 hours depending on the traffic. The visa and other border procedures shouldn't take longer than 1 hour. Lunch in boxes will be served at the border. When everyone goes through immigration we continue for another 2 hours to Damascus. At around 1:00pm we check in at Dama Rose Hotel in Damascus. Right after the check-in we start Damascus City Tour: The National Museum, Souk Al-Hamidiye, The Umayyad Mosque, El-Azem Palace, Saint Ananian Church and if we have time, we will explore old town bazaar for shopping. Around 7:00pm we come back to the hotel. The dinner is planned for 8:00pm and will be followed by a short briefing regarding the following day and also BIB number distribution (for those who didn't collect their BIBs in Beirut). Then we head back to the hotel to rest. Overnight in Damascus.

### DAY 2

NOV 9

Palmyra & Homs. The breakfast will be provided in boxes as we leave at 6:00am. We leave first for Palmyra to visit The temple of Bel, The theatre and the big colonnade and the Tombs including: tombs towers, tombs dug tombs temples or individual tombs. Lunch in boxes will be served on the way. Then we continue to Homs where we visit Holy Belt Church and Khaled Ibn Alwalid Mosque. We return to Damascus for dinner between 7:00pm-8:00pm. Overnight in Damascus.

### DAY 3

NOV 10

Damascus Marathon. The breakfast starts at 5:00am. At 6:30am we start the warm-up outside Dama Rose Hotel. The marathon, half marathon & 10k start by the hotel at 7:00am. Because of different finishing times, all runners come back to the hotel on their own and have free time until dinner. Non runners can help as volunteers or do any activities in Damascus. The Gala dinner with officials is planned at 6:30pm. Please remember about casual dress code. Overnight in Damascus.

### DAY 4

NOV 11

Damascus to Beirut. Breakfast starts at 6:00am. At 8:00am we leave first for Maaloula and then to Sednaya. After visiting the attractions we continue in the direction of border. We should reach Beirut between 4:00pm - 5:00pm. The end of the trip is at Beverly Hotel in Beirut.

Damascus Marathon 2023 (4D/3N Package Runner) is 1490USD per person based on twin sharing.  
Damascus Marathon 2023 (4D/3N Package Non-runner) is 1390USD per person based on twin sharing.



#### Included in the price:

- Transfer Beirut - Damascus - Beirut by private bus
- Entrance fees to all sites mentioned in the itinerary
- A bottle of water per person each day
- Security clearance & Departure tax
- Marathon entry and medal (Package Runner only)
- Accommodation (3 nights in Damascus)
- Meals (breakfast, lunch box and dinner)
- Private bus and guide during all trips
- Tips for tour guides



#### Not included in the price:

- Flights to and from Beirut
- Insurance for Syria (we recommend IATI)
- Personal expenses not mentioned in the program
- Visa Fees (check travel info on marathon website)
- Extra meals and drinks

Single supplement is 215USD per person per trip