مهرجان الشيخ زايد
SHEIKH ZAYED FESTIVAL

Entrance fee is AED 10 per person

People of Determination, seniors (above 60), and children under the age of 3 are exempt from fees

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Restaurants | Activities | Website

Al Wathba, Abu Dhabi 17-11-2023 09-03-2024

Daily from 4 PM to midnight and until 1 AM on holidays

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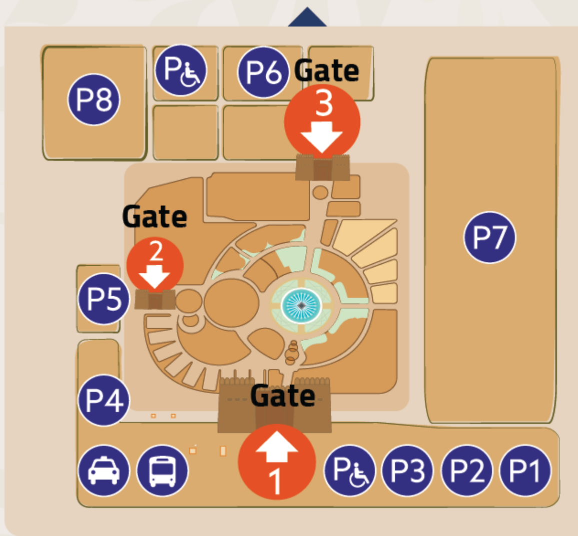
For tickets, please visit the website www.zayedfestival.ae

Car and Bus Parking



Accompanying Events

Camping Village — Main Stage — Starting December 27 from 4:00 PM — Daily

Fun Fair City — Game area — From 4 PM — Daily

Children's City — Children's Village — From 4 PM — Daily

Theater shows of the participating pavilions and folklore shows — Memory of the Nation Pavilion — From 4 PM — Daily

Glow Tower Garden — Tower Area — From 4 PM — Daily

Competitions accompanying the H.H. Sheikh Mansour bin Zayed Agricultural Excellence Award

The competitions support farmers and livestock breeders. The award also supports the agricultural sector and the efforts to achieve agricultural sustainability and food security in the country.

Al Wathba Concerts

This year, the Sheikh Zayed Festival will host various concerts performed by various artists. Al Wathba Concerts vary between traditional, national, folkloric and modern concerts that suit different musical tastes and cultures. The concerts will be held every week throughout the Festival on the main stage.

Daily Activities

Interactive Entertainment Shows — Festival Square — From 4 PM — Daily

Emirati Civilization Pavilions — Festival Square — From 4 PM — Daily

Horse and Camel Riding — Horse and Camel Riding Square — From 4 PM — Daily

Children's Theater — Children's Area — From 4 PM — Daily

The Flying Cup

For the first time in Abu Dhabi, Festival visitors can have an exceptional culinary experience where they can witness the Festival's amazing activities through the Flying Cup experience, an exciting way to dine with friends and family 40 meters above the ground!

The exhibition and raffle draws of the Sheikh Mansour bin Zayed Al Nahyan Racing Festival

The exhibition of the Sheikh Mansour bin Zayed Al Nahyan International Festival for Purebred Arabian Horses comes as a tribute to the efforts of the late Sheikh Zayed, may his soul rest in peace, in preserving the pure Arabian horse. It sheds light on the cultural heritage of the country and the legacy of its ancestors. The Festival promotes the races of His Highness Sheikh Mansour bin Zayed Al Nahyan to visitors, offering a car in every draw, in addition to a distinctive collection of valuable gifts and prizes.

First Draw	Second Draw	Third Draw	Fourth Draw	Fifth Draw
December 22, 2023	January 27, 2024	February 17, 2024	March 4, 2024	March 8, 2024

World Civilizations

The Global Folklore Neighborhoods

Popular neighborhoods from different countries and civilizations around the world, each reflecting various aspects of these cultures such as architectural heritage, markets, products, and traditional music

Shows of the Global Civilizations Theaters

Diverse daily performances of global folklore and popular music from various countries and cultures on different, Festival stages. Starting daily at 4 PM

World Civilizations Parade

Representatives from various countries around the world present popular folklore in a weekly parade at the Festival

Main Events and Shows

Union Parade — Main Stage — 3:00 PM 6:00 PM — 3 December

National Day Celebrations — Festival Square — 4:00 PM 1:00 AM — 2-3 December

New Year Celebrations — Festival Square — From 4:00 PM — 31 December

Drone Show — Festival Square — 17 November- 2 December 3 December -31 December

Weekly Fireworks Every Saturday — Festival Square — 10:00 PM — Every Saturday

Heritage Village Activities — Heritage Village — From 4:00 PM — Daily

Al Wathba Concerts — Main Theater — From 8:00 PM 12:00 AM — Every Saturday from 16 December

Tifan L Awal — Main Stage — 7:30 PM 9:00 PM — Every Tuesday and Wednesday

Chinatown — Art Street — From 4:00 PM — Daily

Al Wathba Custom Show — Near Gate 3 — From 4:00 PM — Daily

Heritage Village

The Heritage Village at the Sheikh Zayed Festival demonstrates the authentic deep roots of Emirati culture and traditions related to social life, food, marriage, handicrafts, folk arts, and its various depictions that reflect the nation's history through a journey to the past with today's eyes.

Majalis Abu Dhabi

Majalis Abu Dhabi participates in the Sheikh Zayed Festival by demonstrating their important role in consolidating national identity, encouraging community participation and supporting rooted social values, customs and traditions through a number of awareness-raising educational sessions and workshops, national social events and various competitions.

Wildlife Secrets Sanctuary

This first-of-its-kind special sanctuary for rare and endangered animals houses 200 animals of rare species. The Sanctuary offers visitors a unique opportunity to see and interact with rare species of animals and birds up-close, and take memorable photos with them.

VR & E-sports

A unique experience in the world of virtual reality and E-sports competitions suitable for visitors of all ages at the Festival by blending entertainment, learning, and development through electronic sports events designed for fun and interaction. You can participate in various competitions and win great prizes.

Emirati Civilization Pavilions

Humanitarian Endeavour Exhibition

An interactive exhibition that highlights the humanitarian efforts and achievements of the United Arab Emirates on a global scale. It presents diverse activities that promote the culture of tolerance established by the late Sheikh Zayed Al Nahyan, may his soul rest in peace.

Traditional Customs Exhibitions

Organized by the Department of Culture and Tourism - Abu Dhabi, this exhibition welcomes visitors of the Festival to discover aspects of the cultural heritage of the United Arab Emirates, and to enjoy the genuine hospitality in a live model of an Emirati home.

Agriculture Oasis Exhibition

The Agricultural Oasis Exhibition by the Abu Dhabi Agriculture and Food Safety Authority includes an introduction to agricultural products and animals in the Emirates, highlighting the pioneering role of the late founding father, Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, may he rest in peace, in developing agricultural methods and establishing a comprehensive system in the livestock sector.

Memory of the Nation Exhibition

An exhibition about the life and achievements of the late founding father, Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, may his soul rest in peace, and the leaders of the United Arab Emirates. The exhibit goes beyond showcasing accomplishments to reflect on the establishment of the nation, the building of a people, and the creation of a civilization. It also features a documentary viewing of the journey of the Union and an exhibition of rare images of the leaders of the UAE.

Camel Exhibition

Showcasing the Titles achieved by the finest camels in camel racing competitions.

Saluki Exhibition

The exhibition includes a presentation of traditions related to Salukis and hunting, as well as how they are trained and cared for.

Heritage Competitions

Sheikh Zayed Falconry Competition

Al Falah Area

From 22/12/2023 to 27/12/2023

The Sheikh Zayed Festival Dhow Sailing Race

Corniche, Abu Dhabi

60 Feet Category- January 2024
22 Feet Category – February 2024

Zayed Grand Prize Camel Race

Southern Field Western Field

From 25/11/2023 to 1/12/2023

EMIRATES FOUNTAIN

Don't miss the Emirates Fountain, the first of its kind in the region, which presents an exciting selection of new performances that combine water displays, laser light shows and holograms to form amazing artistic presentations and formations.

750+ major public attractions and events included

4000+ global cultural events throughout the Festival's run

20000+ participants and exhibitors from around the world at the Festival

114+ shows and activities will be featured every day for the entire family

Tifan L Awal Program

Tifan L Awal will present themes of heritage from arts, puzzles, traditional songs, games, crafts, poetry, special skills and many other aspects of the UAE heritage. The show will award participants with valuable prizes that are, by far, some of the most highly valued in the world of game shows.

Honey Competition

The competition brings together hundreds of local brands, within the honey production sector, and showcase the finest honey products to Festival visitors. The competition is a leading platform for beekeepers to compete for the title of Best Honey Production and win valuable prizes while promoting their business at the same time.

Al Wathba Dates Festival and Auction

The Date Festival is made up of six sections: the Traditional Market, Dates Auction, Date Competition, Corporate Fair, Dates Packaging Competition, and Cooking Competition. Participants will have the chance to win valuable prizes.

Al Wathba Custom Show

A car competition and show that features modifications and customizations of cars. Categories for the competition are Custom Cars (Customization Competition), Classic Cars (Refurbishment Competition), Engine Battle and weekly Vehicle Exhibit.

Services available at the Festival at Gates 1-2-3

Baby Strollers, Wheel Chairs, Valet Parking, Shopping Cart

Service Guide

Clinic and Emergency Services, Media Center, Police Station, Information Centers, Gate, Bus and Taxi, Parking, Restaurants, Nursery (3 months to 5 years), Food Kiosks, WC, ATM, Mosque for Men and Women, Lost and Found Office / Child Care

Partners

Official Health Care Partner: burjeel

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Participating Partner: Majalis Abu Dhabi; Abu Dhabi Marine Sports Club; Presidential Camels; Emirates Red Crescent

Silver Sponsor: Al Ain Pharmacy; Emirates Steel; Royal Smart Limousine; Bin Hamoodah

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Strategic Partner: Abu Dhabi Sports Council; Abu Dhabi Police; Department of Municipalities and Transport; Department of Culture and Tourism; Abu Dhabi Agriculture and Food Safety Authority; Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan Foundation; National Library and Archives