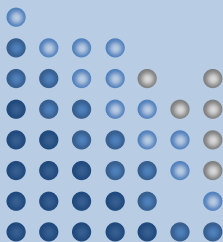
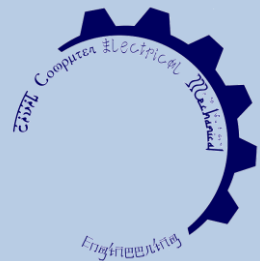


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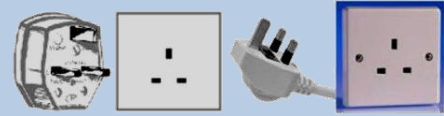


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General information

Electricity

- Voltage : 240 V / 50 Hz
- Electric plugs: British 3-pin plug (Type G)
- Adapters are available at hotels and in convenience stores



Phone instructions

From outside the country, dial **+9714** before the number.

From within the UAE outside Dubai, dial **04** before the number.

Mobile phones use the GPRS/GSM system.

Mobile phone SIM cards can be purchased by visitors at the airport and at shopping malls



Transportation

- Visitors are not advised to rent a car unless they are familiar with the roads in the UAE. Although driving is relatively safe, driving directions are often confusing due to continuous road construction.
- Taxis (cabs) are abundant, convenient, and affordable. Taxis are all painted in beige, with another color specific to the company (red, blue, green, yellow and pink with lady drivers). They can be ordered by calling 2080808, or stopped anywhere on the street.
- The first metro line opened in September 2009. The Nakheel station, which is scheduled to open in May 2010, is in front of AUD.



Important telephone numbers

- Emergency: 999
- Taxi service: (04) 208 0808

Pharmacies

Most medications, including antibiotics, may be purchased without the need for a prescription from pharmacies. The UAE has very strict laws with respect to the possession of controlled (addictive) substances, and some medications that are legally available overseas may be illegal to purchase or even bring along if they contain small amounts of controlled substances.

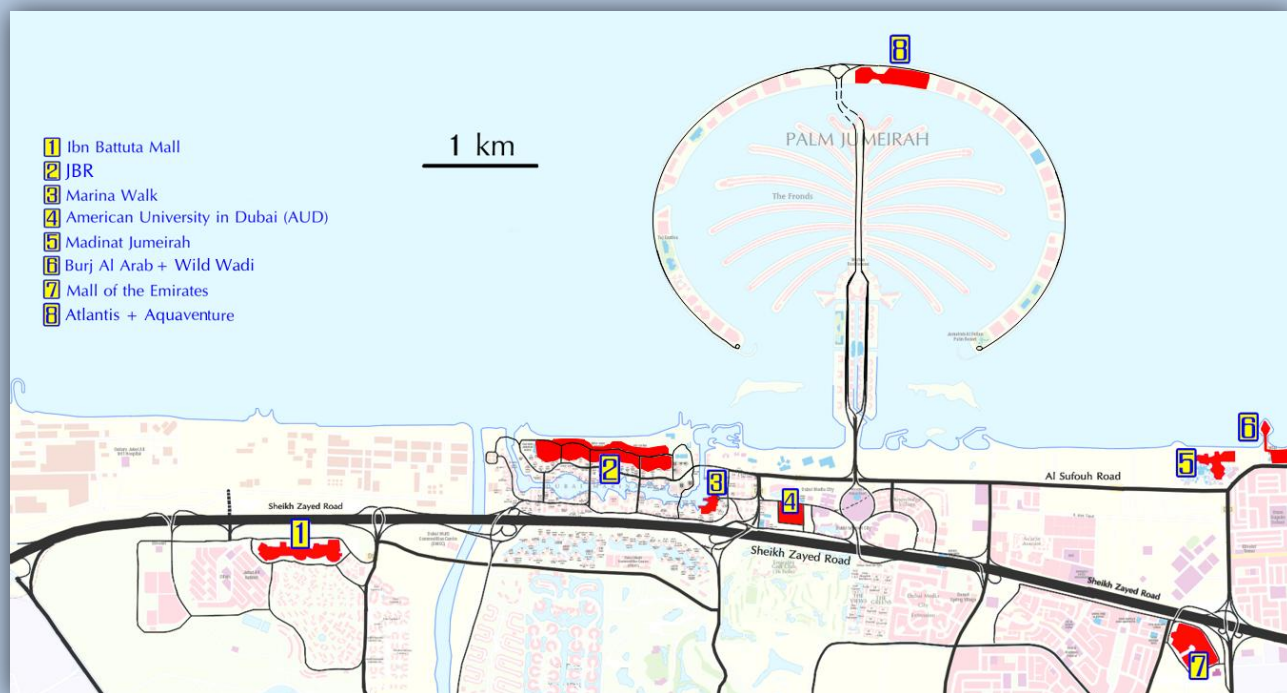
MAP OF AUD AREA (Walking Distance)



Store	Business	Hours	Location	Telephone
Last Minute	Convenience Store + Café	6 am – 11 pm	1	368 8198 / 368 8199
UAE Exchange	Currency Exchange	9 am – 5 pm	2	369 2455
FedEx	Courier	9 am – 3 pm	2	391 8009
FedEx	Courier	9 am – 3 pm	3	391 0880 / 390 8714
Flying Colors	Printing and Copying	9 am – 5 pm	7	361 6421
Digital Office	Printing and Copying	9 am – 5 pm	3	391 1420
Emirates Post	Post Office	9 am – 3 pm	5	391 1111 / 375 1610
Super-Care	Pharmacy	9 am – 10 pm	7	390 2445
Restaurant	Cuisine	Price range	Location	Telephone
Al Merkaz	Lebanese	Dhs 50-100	1	368 8236 / 334 6868
Last Minute	Café / Deli	Dhs 25-50	1	368 8198
Vapiano	Italian	Dhs 50-100	1	437 0786
Circle	Deli	Dhs 25-50	2	391 5170 / 391 6170
Zyara	Lebanese	Dhs 50-100	2	391 8031
La Moda	Italian	Dhs 50-100	2	391 2550
Arz Lebnan	Lebanese	Dhs 25-50	3	367 6680 / 367 6681
Kamat Vegetarian	South Indian	Dhs 25-50	3	391 2570
Costa	Café / Deli	Dhs 25-50	3	391 8896
Certo	Italian	Dhs 100-200	4	366-9111
Forn O Saj	Lebanese	Dhs 25-50	7	361-6848
Ciao Ciao	Italian	Dhs 25-50	7	391-4959
Round Table Pizza	Italian	Dhs 25-50	Delivery	361-6776

Most restaurants deliver to nearby locations

MAP OF AUD AND VICINITY



This map shows indoor and outdoor outings, restaurant locations and shopping areas in southwest Dubai – Jumeirah to Jebel Ali. These locations are best accessible by taxi from AUD.

Ibn Battuta Mall 1

<http://www.ibnbattutamall.com>

This indoor shopping mall follows the path of the famed Arabian traveler, Ibn Battuta. Each section features a regional architecture, from China to Andalusia. Information booths are available throughout the mall to introduce visitors to Arab culture and Islamic contributions to science. Check the mall’s website prior to your visit to see if there are seasonal events (Cirque du Soleil, Dubai Shopping Festival). Restaurants are available in the China Court and the food court is near the Tunisia Court. **Suggested visit duration: 3-4 hours**

Selected Restaurants at Ibn Battuta

Restaurant	Cuisine	Telephone	Price range	Taxi
Finz	Seafood	368 5620	Dhs 50-100	Battuta Mall, China Court
Tony Roma	American	368 5655	Dhs 50-100	Battuta Mall, China Court
Hatam	Iranian	366 9988	Dhs 50-100	Battuta Mall, China Court
Indian Palace	North Indian	368 5569	Dhs 50-100	Battuta Mall, China Court
Zyng	Asian Grill	366 9808	Dhs 50-100	Battuta Mall, China Court
Japengo	International	366 9910	Dhs 50-100	Battuta Mall, China Court
Al Arrab	Lebanese	363 6568	Dhs 50-100	Battuta Mall, Persia Court
Noon O Kabab	Iranian	368 5259	Dhs 25-50	Battuta Mall, Tunisia Court
Sugoi	Japanese/Chinese	366 9784	Dhs 25-50	Battuta Mall, Tunisia Court

Jumeirah beach Residence (JBR) **2**

<http://www.jbr.ae/>

Locally known locally as **JBR**, Jumeirah Beach Residence became a hot spot for outdoor shopping and dining in 2008. Dubai residents, initially skeptical about this dense concrete development project, spend their weekdays and weekends walking, dining, or sipping a cup of coffee along The Walk at the street level. Parents prefer the Plaza Level, accessible from the street level by stairs or elevators, where children are safe from traffic. Both The Walk and the Plaza Level are sprinkled with retail stores, cafés, restaurants, green areas, and seasonal activities. The public beach is also excellent. **Suggested visit duration: 3-4 hours.**

Selected Restaurants at JBR

Restaurant	Cuisine	Telephone	Price range	Taxi
El Chico	Mexican	423 3828	Dhs 50-100	JBR, The Walk, Rimal
Le Pain Quotidien	French Bistro	437 0141	Dhs 50-100	JBR, The Walk, Rimal
Chilis	American Southwest	423 3818	Dhs 50-100	JBR, The Walk, Bahar
Chowking	Asian	435 5771	Dhs 50-100	JBR, The Walk, Bahar
Indian Pavillion	Indian	437 0233	Dhs 50-100	JBR, Plaza Level, Sadaf
Automatic	Lebanese	434 2355	Dhs 25-50	JBR, Plaza Level, Sadaf

Marina Walk **3**

<http://www.dubaimarina.ae/>

Not to be confused with the JBR's Walk, The Marina Walk has been a popular destination for visitors and residents alike since 2005. The place features a waterfront walkway, as well as restaurants, shops, and a grocery store. Outdoors waterfront seating is available at many restaurants. **Suggested visit duration: 2 hours.**

Selected Restaurants at Dubai Marina Walk

Restaurant	Cuisine	Telephone	Price range	Taxi
Rupee Room	North & South Indian	390 5755	Dhs 50-100	Marina Walk
Blues	Seafood	367 4747	Dhs 50-100	Marina Walk
Royal Orchid	Thai	367 4040	Dhs 100-200	Marina Walk
Itsu	Japanese	362 6351	Dhs 50-100	Marina Walk
Inferno	International	368 9193	Dhs 50-100	Marina Walk

Madinat Jumeirah **5**

<http://www.madinatjumeirah.com/>

This Arabian style resort and entertainment complex includes a variety of restaurants, shops, a luxury hotel (Al Qasr), and a traditional market. Outdoor seating is available at some restaurants. **Suggested visit duration: 4 hours.**

Selected Restaurants at Madinat Jumeirah

Restaurant	Cuisine	Telephone	Price range	Taxi
Al Muna	Arabian	366 6730	Dhs 100-200	Madinat Jumeirah, Mina Al-Salam
Zheng He	New Asian	366 6730	Dhs 100-200	Madinat Jumeirah, Mina Al-Salam
The Wharf	Seafood	366 6730	Dhs 100-200	Madinat Jumeirah, Mina Al-Salam
Toscana	Italian	366 6730	Dhs 50-100	Madinat Jumeirah, Al Souq
Pisces	Seafood	366 6730	Dhs 50-100	Madinat Jumeirah, Al Souq
Shoo Fee Ma Fee	Moroccan	366 6730	Dhs 50-100	Madinat Jumeirah, Al Souq
MJ's	Steakhouse	366 6730	Dhs 100-200	Madinat Jumeirah, Al Qasr
Arboretum	International	366 6730	Dhs 100-200	Madinat Jumeirah, Al Qasr
Magnolia	Vegetarian	366 6730	Dhs 100-200	Madinat Jumeirah, Al Qasr

Burj Al Arab + Wild Wadi **6**

<http://www.burj-al-arab.com/>

<http://www.jumeirah.com/en/Hotels-and-Resorts/Wild-Wadi1/>

Burj Al Arab, with its distinct boat-sail shape, is Dubai's iconic landmark. All visits to the Burj must be booked in advance, either for hire through a tour agent or for free if you have an advance dining reservation. This engineering masterpiece, distinctively shaped as a sail, has been challenged by the Atlantis, but is still worth a visit. A visit to Wild Wadi water park is a must for children. **Suggested visit duration: 2 hours for the Burj, all day for Wild Wadi.**

Selected Restaurants at Burj Al Arab

Restaurant	Cuisine	Telephone	Price range	Taxi
Al Mahara	Seafood (underwater)	301 7600	Dhs 150-300	Burj Al Arab
Al Muntaha	International (rooftop)	301 7600	Dhs 150-300	Burj Al Arab
Al Iwan	Arabian	301 7600	Dhs 100-200	Burj Al Arab
Bab Al Yam	International	301 7600	Dhs 100-200	Burj Al Arab

Mall of the Emirates **7**

<http://www.malloftheemirates.com/>

A visit to the mall is a must, if only to watch the indoor ski facility. One of the largest malls in the region, the complex houses a *Carrefour* superstore, movie theaters, a fun city for kids, and the luxurious Kempinski Hotel. The mall is usually very crowded on Thursday and Friday evenings. **Suggested visit duration: 4 hours.**

Selected Restaurants at the Mall of the Emirates

Restaurant	Cuisine	Telephone	Price range	Taxi
Karam Beirut	Lebanese (ski slope view)	341 2202	Dhs 50-100	Emirates Mall, Ski Dubai
Après	European (ski slope view)	341 2575	Dhs 50-100	Emirates Mall, Ski Dubai
Indian Pavillion	Indian	341 1600	Dhs 50-100	Emirates Mall, Ski Dubai
Salmontini	Seafood	341 0222	Dhs 100-200	Emirates Mall, Ski Dubai
La Piazza	Italian	341 1411	Dhs 50-100	Emirates Mall, Ski Dubai
Biella	Italian	347 3414	Dhs 50-100	Emirates Mall, Galleria

Atlantis + Aquaventure **8**

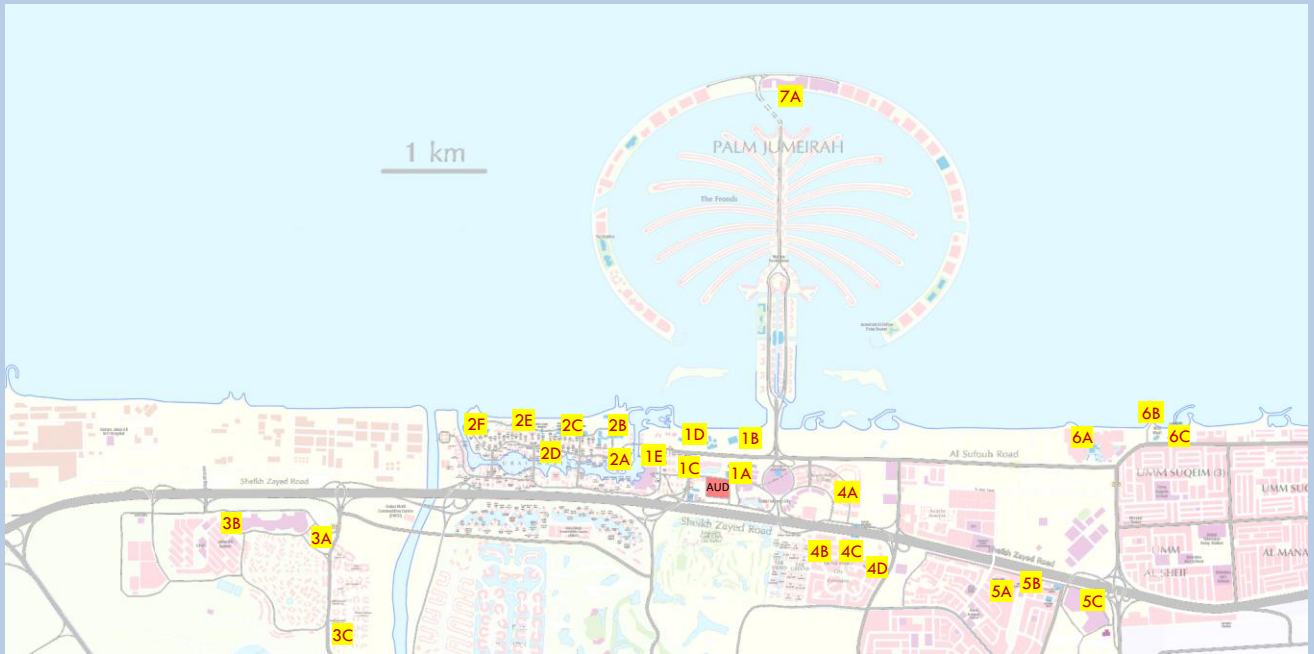
<http://www.atlantisthepalm.com/>

The Atlantis Palm Jumeirah opened its doors in 2008 as one of the most luxurious resorts in the region. Whether you are staying there or not, a visit is worth the trip. The hotel features some of the finest beaches in the world, as well as a mega-sized indoor aquarium. Other than Aquaventure Water Park, the Atlantis experience also gives you a chance to swim with dolphins at Dolphin Bay, and to stroll in underwater tunnels at the Lost Chambers. If you are driving, beware of the Dhs 150 valet parking ticket. **Suggested visit duration: all day.**

Selected Restaurants at the Atlantis Palm Jumeirah

Restaurant	Cuisine	Telephone	Price range	Taxi
Levantine	Arabian	426 2626	Dhs 100-200	Atlantis The Palm
Kaleidoscope	North African, Mediterranean	426 2626	Dhs 100-200	Atlantis The Palm
Seafire	Steakhouse	426 2626	Dhs 100-200	Atlantis The Palm
Saffron	Open Buffet	426 2626	Dhs 100-200	Atlantis The Palm
Nasimi	International	426 2626	Dhs 50-100	Atlantis The Palm
Shark Bites	Sandwiches, Arabian	426 2626	Dhs 25-50	Aquaventure
Barracudas	Sandwiches, Arabian	426 2626	Dhs 25-50	Aquaventure

Hotel Map



Hotel Suggestions

AUD does neither endorse any of these facilities, nor guarantee the level of service. This list is compiled based on individual recommendations by AUD staff and visitors.

Daily Rate (approximate)

\$ = Dhs 400-800

\$\$ = Dhs 800-1600

\$\$\$ = more than Dhs 1600

Feedback / Quality-to-Price

◇ = Acceptable

◇◇ = Recommended

◇◇◇ = Highly Recommended

Distance from AUD

§ = within 5 minutes, walking

§§ = within 5 minutes, by taxi

§§§ = within 15 minutes, by taxi

Daily rates last revised April 2009. Prices are usually higher November through March.

Hotel	Taxi	Map location	Typical daily rate	Visitor's Feedback	Distance from AUD	Telephone [‡]
Radisson Blu Media City	Media City	1A	\$	◇◇◇	§	366 9111
Arjaan	Media City	1A	\$	◇◇◇	§	436 0000
One and Only Royal Mirage	Media City	1B	\$\$\$	◇◇◇	§	399 9999
Media One Hotel	Media City	1C	\$	◇◇	§	427 1000
Tamani Hotel Marina	Media City	1C	\$	◇◇	§	399 2500
Westin Dubai Mina Seyahi	Media City	1D	\$\$	◇◇	§	399 4141
Meridien Mina Seyahi	Media City	1D	\$\$	◇◇	§	399 3333
The Harbour Hotel and Residence	Dubai Marina	1E	\$	◇◇	§§	319 4000
Grosvenor House, Dubai	Dubai Marina	2A	\$\$	◇◇◇	§§	399 8888
Habtoor Grand Resort & Spa	Dubai Marina	2B	\$	◇◇◇	§§	408 4444
Le Royal Meridien	Dubai Marina	2B	\$\$	◇◇◇	§§	399 5555
Radisson Blu Residence	Dubai Marina Mall	2D	\$	◇◇	§§	435 5000
Ritz Carlton, Dubai	JBR	2C	\$\$	◇◇◇	§§§	399 4000
Oasis Hotel Tower Apartments	JBR	2E	\$\$	◇◇	§§§	399 4444
Hilton Dubai Jumeirah	JBR	2E	\$\$	◇◇◇	§§§	399 1111
Sheraton, Jumeirah Beach	JBR	2G	\$\$	◇◇	§§	399 5533
Holiday Inn Express, Internet City	Knowledge Village	4A	\$	◇◇	§§	427 5555
Layia Oak Hotel & Suites	The Greens / TECOM	4B	\$	◇◇◇	§§§	437 7888
Grand Millennium, Dubai	The Greens / TECOM	4C	\$	◇◇	§§§	429 9999
Media Rotana	The Greens / TECOM	4D	\$	◇◇◇	§§§	435 0000
Ibis Al Barsha¹	Barsha	5A	¢ ¹	◇	§§§	399 6699
Holiday Inn Al Barsha¹	Barsha	5B	¢ ¹	◇	§§§	323 4333
Kempinski Mall of the Emirates	Barsha / Emirates Mall	5C	\$\$\$	◇◇	§§§	341 0000
Al Qasr	Madinat Jumeirah	6A	\$\$\$	◇◇◇	§§§	366 8888
Burj Al Arab	Jumeirah	6B	\$\$\$	◇◇	§§§	301 7777
Jumeirah Beach Hotel	Jumeirah	6C	\$\$\$	◇◇◇	§§§	348 0000

¹ Budget hotel (daily rate less than Dhs 400)

[‡] From outside the country, dial +9714 before the number; from outside Dubai, dial 04