

NATIONAL TREASURES OF THE UAE

There are many natural treasures in the UAE and I have visited a few of them with my family this winter season.

In my family, I am the one who decides the place to visit, over the weekends. After some research, we decided to visit the Ras Al Khaimah Nature Treasures. After Friday prayers, we enjoyed an hour-long drive on the E11 highway. We drove past beautiful farmhouses to arrive at our destination.

The entry ticket was 20 AED for adults and 10 AED for kids. They gave us some grass to feed the animals. The place has a museum, farms with animals and birds, and of course, horse riding. We started our tour at the Natural Museum. The museum contains lots of corals, animals like fox, snakes, deer, birds, Siberian ducks etc., all well preserved in taxidermy form. They also showcased lots of bones, minerals, spices, and sea creatures like starfish, shark jaws, sea urchins, elephant tusks and many more items.

After the museum, we strolled towards the animal farm. They have horses, goats, peacocks, camels, donkeys, emu, turkeys, parrots, sheep, pigeons, fish, snakes etc. My younger brother Mustafa was very excited and ran to feed the horse and goats. I also fed grass to lots of animals like camels, horse, sheep and donkeys.

After feeding the animals we strolled towards the vegetable farm area where my father and mother showed us lots of vegetables like tomatoes, maize, corn, capsicum, cucumber, lemon etc. They told us how they are grown. Later we walked around the farm for about an hour and then returned home to Sharjah.

It was a great trip, with lots of greenery, fresh air, and animals around. I highly recommend a visit to this natural treasure of the UAE.

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