

RADICAL MIDDLE WAY



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THE FUTURE OF WESTERN MUSLIMS

BOSNIA SYMPOSIUM
and Tour with al-Habib Umar bin Hafiz

Sarajevo • 20 - 28th April 2019



BOSNIA SYMPOSIUM

The large number of Muslims living in the West is a unique feature of our modern times. It raises possibilities in an exciting and dynamic context. But despite the size, diversity and dynamism this group of people are finding themselves pushed from pillar to post. There has been little time to introspect and reflect on the conditions they find themselves in. It is a messy situation. In an instant we have been thrown together from over 100 nationalities and languages, representing diverse madhabs, cultures, histories and identities and most, for the first time finding themselves in a totally unfamiliar context. The line between Dar al Islam and Dar al Harb is no longer in existence: in the globalized village the very relevance of Islam and its pertinence is up for grabs.

The Sarajevo Symposium will bring together scholars, community leaders, charity workers, activists and lay people to engage with issues of shared concern. From the heart of Europe, in Sarajevo it will bring together the maturity of traditional wisdom with the unfamiliarity of our present. Complementing the Symposium will be an organized tour of the sights, sounds and heritage of Bosnia.

As part of the programme there will be a series of meetings with local religious and community leaders from different faiths and opinion makers.

AL-HABIB UMAR BIN HAFIZ

He is the erudite scholar, the caller to Allah, al-Ḥabīb‘Umar bin Muḥammad bin Sālim bin Ḥafīẓ ibn ShaykhAbū Bakr bin Sālim al-Alawī al-Ḥasanī, from the lineage of the Seal of the Prophets, the Prophet Muḥammad. He was born in Tarim, Hadramaut, in the Republic of Yemen .

Ḥabīb ‘Umar received all his early education in the city of his birth, Tarim, at the hands of his father, al-Ḥabīb Muḥammad bin Sālim, the mufti of Tarim, and other revered scholars. He memorised the Magnificent Quran at an early age and was reared in a pious fashion, in the care of his father, in an environment of knowledge, faith and virtuous character. In 1981, the situation became untenable for him to stay in South Yemen due to the communist regime and so Habib Umar migrated to the city of al-Bayda in North Yemen where he continued his studies.

He then moved from al-Shihr to Tarim, where he settled and founded Dar al-Mustafa, a centre for traditional Islamic scholarship that currently hosts an array of international students, in Tarim, Yemen. It is based on three objectives: the first being learning the sciences of the Sacred Law and related sciences from those who are apt to impart them with connected chains of transmission; the second purifying the soul and refining one’s character and the third conveying beneficial knowledge and calling to God. Many of the graduates have gone on to become leading figures worldwide.



He has authored several books, such as al-Dhakhirah al-Musharrafah, which is a summary of obligatory knowledge for every Muslim, three short hadith compilations and a summary of the third quarter of Imam al-Ghazali’s Ihya’ `Ulum al-Din. His mawlid compositions, al-Diya’ al-Lami’and al-Sharab al-Tahurare, are recited in gatherings throughout the world.



PACKAGE DETAILS & FEES

Dates: Saturday 20 - 28th April 2019

Duration: 9 days/8 nights

FLIGHTS NOT INCLUDED

Package INCLUDES the following:

1. Return transfers from Sarajevo airport that is collection and drop off
2. 4 star hotel accommodation with breakfast only [lunch/dinner where stated] but can be arranged our guide and local Bosnian Muslim guides. Main entrance fees to sights/museums mentioned in the itinerary below.
3. Symposium lectures, dars and time with Habib Umar

The package includes all local transportation, transfers, 4* hotel with breakfast, entrances to places of visit and local Bosnian Muslim guides. Unless stated, lunch and dinner is NOT provided

Package cost per person for sharing a twin room: £799 [Early-bird until 31st March]

Package cost per person for a single supplement room: £899 [Early-bird until 31st March]

There are a limited number of subsidized places for those in genuine need.

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TRAVEL

As we have travellers from UK/Europe, North America and SE Asia and elsewhere, Turkish Airlines, Austrian Airlines or Lufthansa Airlines are the most frequent flyers to Sarajevo International Airport [Code: SJJ] via a connecting airport, so please plan journey times accordingly to arrive on the tour dates. If you can not find flights to arrive/depart on the tour dates and prefer to arrive and/or depart 1 days+-, this is fine and we will calculate your package accordingly.

Airport

Destination: Sarajevo International Airport [Code: SJJ]

Date: Saturday 20th April 2019

Time: Any time after Midday and early afternoon to allow for jet lag and rest

Departure: Your return country of origin or else

Date: Sunday 28th April 2019

Time: Any time after breakfast or your preferred time

Airport transfers

Who will collect us and drop us from airport? We will arrange all travellers transfers and arrange according to times of arrivals – As there are many arriving at different times, transfers will be arranged in groups of closet arrival/departure times.

ACCOMODATION

SARAJEVO



Hotel Holiday Sarajevo

Zmaja od Bosne 4, Sarajevo 71000, Bosnia and Herzegovina

- The rooms are either doubles or twins with en-suite bathrooms
- A limited number of triple and quad rooms are available on request
- air-conditioning
- internet/WiFi connection
- heating
- The Hotel rooms do not have an iron hence if you need to iron your clothes, please remember to request at reception of hotel.
- You may purchase such items before travel.

DAY 1

Sarajevo

- Arrival of travelers
- transfer from airport to hotel and orientation
- DINNER INCLUDED

DAY 2

Sarajevo

- Visit to Islamic University and lecture on Islam in Balkans with Dr Asim / Dr Enes Keric
- Walk downtown to main touristic areas - Baščaršija area including:
 - Sebilj Fountain
 - Baščaršija Mosque
 - Ferhadija
 - Old Orthodox Church
 - Morića Han
- NO LUNCH OR DINNER - Travellers will as advised by guides to halal restaurants and where to eat

DAY 3

Sarajevo

- Tour continues with:
- Alija Izetbegovic Museum
- Svrzo House
- Markets
- Martyrs Cemetery
- EVENING DINNER with Habib Umar at the HOTEL and welcome

DAY 4

Sarajevo

- Fajr prayer and zikr at the Hotel
- Breakfast [9am]
- 10.30am - 1pm: Conference room - Talk and Q & A by Habib Umar with travelers and guest
- Zuhr and self lunch and rest
- EVENING TALK in Gazi-Husrevbey Madrasa conference hall
- NO DINNER INCLUDED - Travellers will as advised by guides to halal restaurants and where to eat

DAY 5

Sarajevo - Blagaj Tekke. - Mostar - Sarajevo

- Fajr prayer and zikr at the Hotel
- Early breakfast and drive to Blagaj Tekke
- NO LUNCH INCLUDED/SELF LUNCH - Travellers will as advised by guides to halal restaurants and where to eat
- Drive into Mostar
- Tour Mostar around bridge and back to Sarajevo
- NO DINNER INCLUDED - Travellers will as advised by guides to halal restaurants and where to eat

DAY 6

Sarajevo

- Fajr & Zikr at the hotel
- 9am Breakfast
- 10.30am - 1pm: Conference room - Talk and Q & A by Habib Umar with travelers and guest
- Zuhr and self lunch and rest
- NO DINNER INCLUDED - Travellers will as advised by guides to halal restaurants and where to eat

DAY 7

Sarajevo

- Fajr in congregation and zikr at the hotel
- Breakfast [9am]
- Jummah led by Habib Umar at main mosque in Sarajevo
- Self lunch and rest and self exploration, travellers will be advised by guides to halal restaurants and where to eat
- NO DINNER INCLUDED - Travellers will as advised by guides to halal restaurants and where to eat

DAY 8

Sarajevo & Srebrenica

- Fajr in congregation and zikr at the hotel
Early Breakfast
- Return day trip to Srebrenica
- Local survivors to meet Habib Umar and talk
- LIGHT LUNCH INCLUDED
- NO DINNER INCLUDED - Travellers will as advised by guides to halal restaurants and where to eat

DAY 9

Sarajevo - Airport

- Fajr in congregation and zikr at the hotel
Early Breakfast
- 10.30am - 12pm: Conference room - Talk and Q & A by Habib Umar with travelers and guest
- Check out and transfers back to airport in Sarajevo



CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellation Policy

100% refunds for cancellations before **20.03.2019**

50% refunds for cancellations after **20.03.2019**

No refunds will be available for cancellations after **07.04.2019**

The tour will take place even if all or any of the speakers are unable to join the tour for whatever reason. There are no refunds unless the tour is cancelled.



FAQS

- Can I bring my children? Children aged 12 and above are welcome to join the tour.
- What about the food and my allergies? Meals are halal, wholesome and authentic to the area. Any allergies or other food issues should be stated on the booking form.
- Is insurance provided? Clients are advised to purchase their own travel insurance to cover any health issues and/or baggage loss while travelling.
- What will the temperatures be like? Average temperatures are expected to be around 25 degrees you are advised to dress appropriately.
- Will you allow facilities and time for prayers? Itineraries have been prepared around the prayer times. Prayers will be observed in the mosques, which have facilities for women.
- Will you be taking photographs? We will be taking photographs and videos and would like to publish these in perpetuity in future promotional material. Your name will not be published and in many cases you will not be identifiable.
- Do I have to partake in all the lecture programmes? No. However, due to security issues, we would ask that you stay with the group.



BOOKING PROCEDURE

- Please read all the information provided to ensure that all your questions have been answered and that you are happy to proceed. Then book your flights. Complete the booking form and submit.
- Make payment by credit card or online bank transfer.* Once your payment has cleared, you will receive confirmation of payment and an acknowledgement that your place has been confirmed.
- Approximately four weeks before the tour, you will be sent further details, including a full itinerary, hotel information, contact information and final instructions.
- If you have any questions about the tour, please contact Leanne
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*** Bank Details**

Metrobank

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Sort Code: 23-05-80

Account No: 15954086



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TIP & TAXES

Tips to guides, drivers, hotel staff etc are not included in the package costs and are at your own discretion. Additional taxes, security charges or any other fees collected by governments, airports, airlines and other entities are not included unless specifically listed as included features.

NOT INCLUDED IN RATES

The following is a list of some major items not included in the rates:

Room service charges

- Laundry
- Internet usage
- Medical services
- Hotel bar
- Items of a personal nature.

COMPLAINTS

Any complaints must be reported immediately within 24 hours to the Tour Leader who will do everything possible to resolve the matter.



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