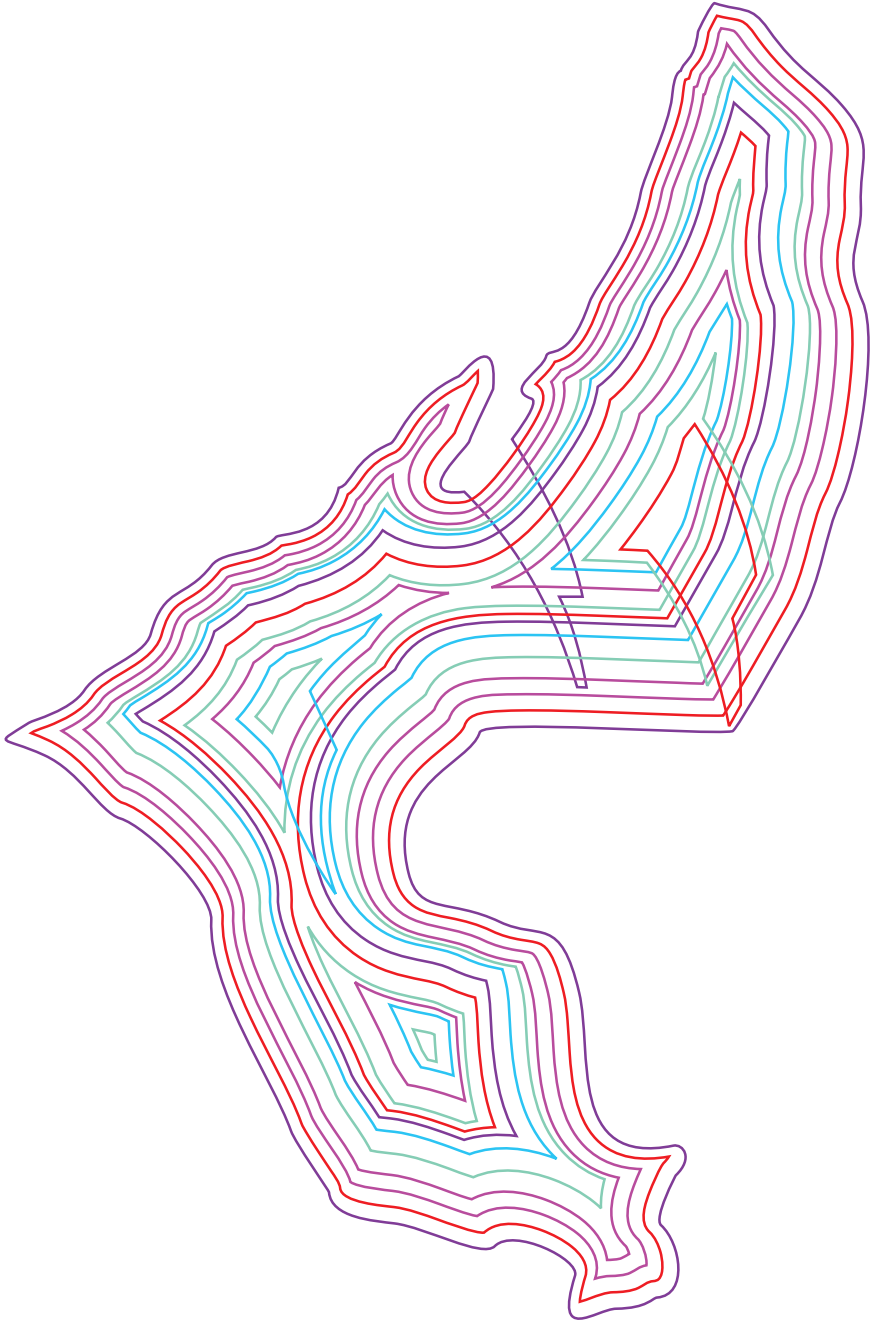




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LIVING IN RAS AL KHAIMAH

A GUIDE TO THE CITY & EMIRATE

Arabic for the “top of the tent,” Ras Al Khaimah is the northernmost emirate in the United Arab Emirates (UAE). Ras Al Khaimah shares its border with four other emirates (Sharjah, Fujairah, Umm Al Quwain, and Dubai) and the Omani enclave of Musandam. A network of highways connects Ras Al Khaimah to other emirates, and the city center is only an hour’s drive from Dubai and three hours’ from Abu Dhabi.

His Highness Sheikh Saud bin Saqr Al Qasimi has been the ruler of Ras Al Khaimah since 2010 and is dedicated to making Ras Al Khaimah a vibrant home for both Emiratis and expatriates from around the world. As a testament to the emirate’s evolving economic, social, and cultural opportunities, Ras Al Khaimah has enjoyed an increase in its population over the past few decades.

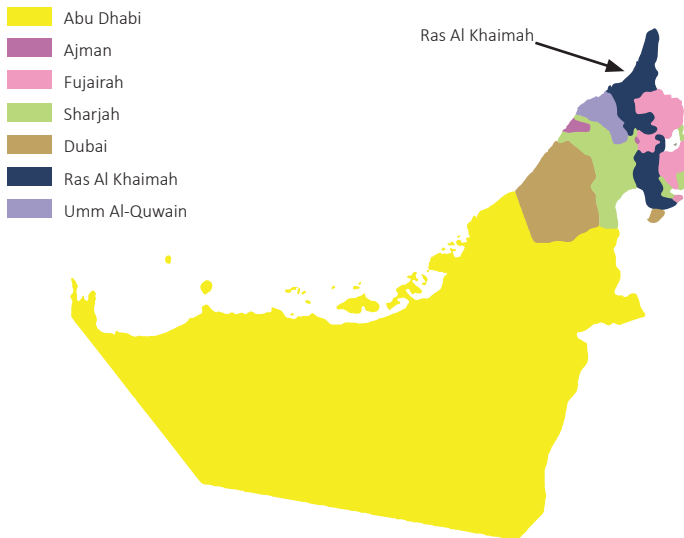
The Sheikh Saud bin Saqr Al Qasimi Foundation for Policy Research created this guidebook as a catalogue of the emirate’s offerings as a tourist destination, industrial and business center, and family-friendly community. It is our hope that this resource enables all Ras Al Khaimah residents to fully engage with the local community.

About Ras Al Khaimah

Previously known as Julfar, Ras Al Khaimah covers an area of 2,478 square kilometers, making it the fourth largest emirate in the UAE. Ras Al Khaimah has been consistently inhabited for over 7,000 years. Historically, Ras Al Khaimah supported fishing, pearl diving, and copper smelting communities.

Today, His Highness Sheikh Saud bin Saqr Al Qasimi and the government have fostered a diverse and expanding economy. Notable sectors include industry, tourism, trade, real estate, cement, and ceramics.

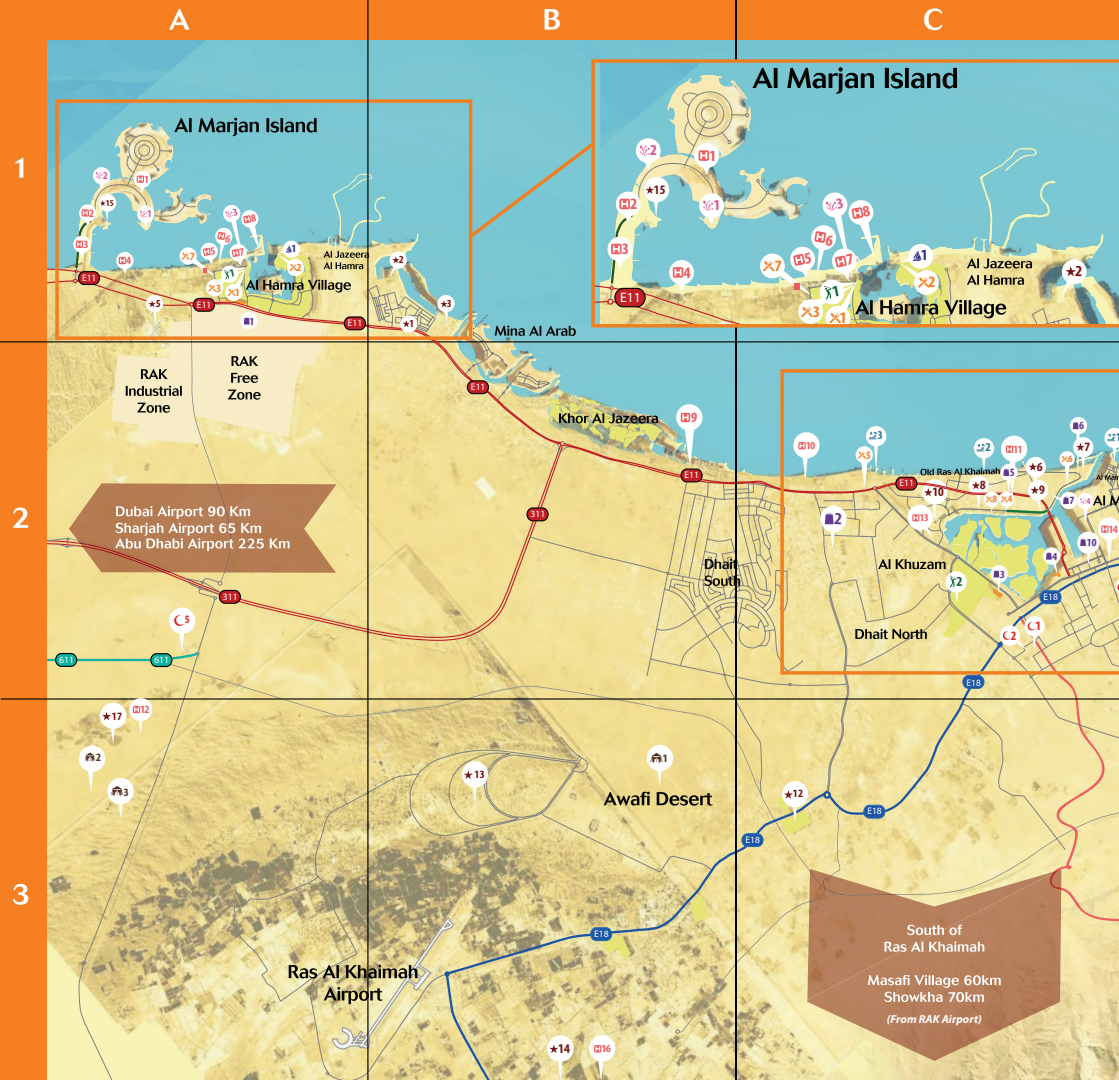
Ras Al Khaimah has a moderate climate for roughly eight months of the year, usually between October and May. The other four months are hot and humid. It is generally between 40-47° in summer, while winters are pleasant, with temperatures averaging 18-26° during the day. Winters generally see irregular rainfall, which can be accompanied by minor street flooding.



CULTURAL TIPS

- When having a conversation with someone, it is usually good to build rapport by asking how the person and his or her family doing before getting straight to business (especially during formal meetings).
- Emirati culture places a high value on relationships and hospitality. Wherever you go, try to get to know people. If they offer you Arabic coffee, it is usually respectful to have some. Hosts may keep refilling your cup until you wiggle your empty cup while holding it. This gesture implies that you do not need any more coffee. Also, when having Emiratis over, it is good to offer them some tea or coffee before starting the conversation.
- If you are invited to a majlis, remove your shoes at the entrance. Males and females are usually seated in different places, so don't be surprised if you are moved to a section different from your friend, colleague, or family member.
- It is considered common courtesy to stand when a new guest enters into your office or home. For men, it is important to stand when a woman enters the room.
- When greeting a Muslim of the opposite sex, do not extend your hand unless the other person does so first. Some people (particularly women), may prefer not to shake hands with men for religious reasons. While not as common, some men also like to show respect for a woman, who is not their spouse or family member, by abstaining from a handshake.
- When sharing a meal with an Emirati family, it's good to try to eat as much as you can but leave a little bit on the plate as this shows that the host has been generous (otherwise, the host may continue to refill your plate).
- When admiring something that someone else has, it's good to say "Mashallah," which literally means "in God's will," but within this context means "may you be protected." Also refrain from admiring too much, as it may raise suspicion or the person may feel pressured to give you what you are admiring. This is an old tradition in the Arab culture.
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- It's important to dress modestly, particularly in conservative areas and public places. For men, shorts and t-shirts are suitable in many public places like parks and malls, but when visiting mosques, businesses, religious sites, or older parts of the city, it is recommended that men wear clothes that cover their legs and shoulders. For women, it is most appropriate to dress in attire that covers the shoulders and legs up to the knee in most places, although in older parts of the city, it is preferable to dress in loose-fitting long clothing. Pants, dresses, and skirts are acceptable.
- Enjoy your time in the United Arab Emirates, as Emiratis are some of the most generous and hospitable people you will get to meet!



5 Star Hotels & Resorts		Places of Interest & Attractions		Shopping Malls & Souqs	
	A1 Al Hamra Residence		B1 Al Jazirah Al Hamra		A1 Al Hamra Shopping Mall
	A3 Banyan Tree Al Wadi		A1 Al Jazirah Aviation Club		C2 Al Na'eem Mall
	A1 Banyan Tree Ras Al Khaimah Beach Resort		C2 Al Qawasim Corniche		C2 Al Safeer Mall
	A1 DoubleTree by Hilton Resort & Spa Marjan Island		E2 Al Rams Corniche		C2 Mansar Mall
	A1 Hilton Al Hamra Beach & Golf Resort		B3 Al Sawan Camel Race Track		C2 RAK Mall
	Hilton Ras Al Khaimah Resort & Spa		E2 Dhayah Fort		C2 Al Ma'rid Souq
	A1 Marjan Island Resort & Spa Managed by Accor Hotels		B1 Iceland Water Park		C2 Kuwaili Souq
	A1 Rixos Bab Al Bahr		B3 Khatt Hot Springs		C2 Old RAK Souq
	B2 The Cove Rotana Resort		C2 Mohammed Bin Salem Mosque		D2 Al Ma'rid Fish Market
	A1 Waldorf Astoria Ras Al Khaimah		C2 RAK National Museum		C2 Ras Al Khaimah Fish Market
4 Star Hotels & Resorts			B1 RAK Track - Go-Karting	Dining	
	C2 Beach Hotel by Bin Majid Hotels & Resorts		C2 Running Track		C2 Al Fanar Restaurant & Café - Local Cuisine
	A1 Beach Resort by Bin Majid Hotels & Resorts		C3 Saqr Park		C2 Ashuk Ice Cream
	B3 Golden Tulip Khatt Springs Resort & Spa		A1 Seawings		A1 Belgian Beer Café
	C2 Mangrove by Bin Majid Hotels & Resorts		C2 Sheikh Zayed Mosque		A1 Marina Muse Bar & Restaurant
	C2 Ras Al Khaimah Hotel		D3 Via Ferrata		A1 Pesto Ristorante
			A3 Al Wadi Equestrian Adventure Centre		C2 Saraya Restaurant
					A1 The Bay Sports Bar

Source: rasalkhaimah.ae



Legend

HOTEL	EVENT LOCATION
PLACES OF INTEREST & ATTRACTION	LOOKOUT POINT
GOLF CLUB	CAMPING
SHOPPING MALL & SOUQ	YACHT CLUB
DINING	MOUNTAIN
PUBLIC BEACH	HOSPITAL
SHEIKH MOHAMMED BIN SALEM ROAD	SHEIKH MOHAMMED BIN ZAYED ROAD
EMIRATES ROAD	



- Mountain Activities**
- Abseiling
 - Biking
 - Camping
 - Canyoning
 - Climbing
 - Hiking
 - Sightseeing
 - Trekking
 - Via Ferrata
 - Ziplining

C2	Yansoon Restaurant
Public Beaches	
21	C2 Al Maidid Public Beach
23	C2 Al Mahad Public Beach
24	D2 Al Rams Public Beach
22	RAK Public Beach
Yacht Club	
A1	A1 Al Hamra Yacht Club
Golf Clubs	
11	A1 Al Hamra Golf Club
12	C2 Tower Links Golf Club
Event Locations	
13	A1 Al Hamra Convention Centre
11	A1 Destination DAWN
12	A1 RAK Convention Centre
14	C2 RAK Exhibition Centre

Hospitals			
C4	C2	Al Orabi Hospital	
C3	D2	Ibrahim Obaid Allah Hospital	
C1	C2	RAK Hospital	
C1	C2	Sagr Hospital	
C5	A2	Sheikh Khalifa Specialty Hospital	
Camping Sites			
#1	B3	Awafi Desert	
#2	A3	Bassalia Desert Camp	
#3	A3	Bedouin Oasis Camp	
#4	D3	Mountain Camp, Challenging Adventure	
Ras Al Khaimah Important Numbers			
RAK Police	07-999	Bus	800 1700
Fire	07-997	Country & City Code	+971-7
Ambulance	07-998		
RAK Hospital	07-207-4444		24/7 Customer Service ☎ 04 44 05 266
Airport	07 207 5200		
Taxi	800 1700		





MATT'S PICKS

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GETTING AROUND

Wear good walking shoes and have cash (many places in Ras Al Khaimah do not take cards). If the weather is too hot, taxis are plentiful, knowledgeable, cheap, and all have meters.

THINGS TO DO IN THE EVENING

Walk along Corniche al-Qawasim opposite the Mangrove Hotel – it's very family friendly and has a variety of "international" (i.e. more expensive) restaurants and coffee shops. If you want to go jogging in the morning there is a track here.

Kuwaiti Street Souq

The main shopping street of Old Ras Al Khaimah. Best seen at nights (totally dead in the afternoon) - it reminds some Emiratis of the old central souq in Abu Dhabi. It extends for a long way - keep your eye out for the large "Traditional Bakery" on a corner on your left. This area was also part of the set for Brad Pitt's 2017 movie "War Machine." One of my favorite things to do is explore the souq and the surrounding streets and get slightly lost.

Old Corniche (Gulf Side)

The main cruising spot for cars before and after sunset prayer, when it's at its most beautiful. Wear good walking shoes to go out onto one of the rock jetties (daylight only). There are several small restaurants and cafeterias.

Old City and Souk

You can walk the markets and random stores selling everything known to humanity. You'll see Calicut, one of the oldest restaurants in the UAE. One highlight is the antique stores, selling only genuine items (unlike what you'll find in Dubai or Abu Dhabi). The *jirz/yirz*, the small ax, is the ultimate RAK souvenir and you may see them being made in these shops (note that while you may be tempted to buy one, they are very long and do not usually fit in checked baggage).

HANGOUTS AND QUICK SNACKS

Al Comodor

Across from Al-Dahab and Dubai Library (which is actually a big bookstore), it has great falafel and Lebanese food for cheap prices (mains AED 2-10). It doesn't look like much and service is not always with a smile but it's great.

Location: Sheikh Muhammad bin Salem Road, close to the Ship roundabout

Phone: 07 233 7929

Al Dahab

Amazing juices (get the "special" sometimes referred to as "mix" or "cocktail").

Location: Sheikh Muhammad bin Salem Road, close to the Ship roundabout

Phone: 07 233 6227

Al Dar Café

A sheesha cafe on the Old Corniche (like most other sheesha cafes in RAK, the food is merely okay at best and the extensive menu is mostly a suggestion of possibilities) but the atmosphere is great. There are many other sheesha cafes on the New Corniche near the Mangrove Hotel, as well as on the Old Corniche.

Location: Old Corniche

Phone: 07 233 3994

Ashuk Ice Cream

RAK's oldest fresh milk ice cream place, with two locations in Old RAK – one on the Old Corniche near al-Dar and one on the corniche just south of the Fish Market.

Location: Old Corniche

Phone: 0 56 785 8000

Blue Sea Cafeteria

This is the home of the Chips Oman Sandwich. One sandwich is AED 2.5 and is made of cheese, potato chips, and chili sauce on paratha bread.

Location: Al Qasimi Corniche Road

Phone: 07 233 7756

Bottega Café



A very new and more upscale independent coffee shop just south of the Fish Market, on the Corniche in the Old City and Souk.

Location: Old Corniche

Phone: 07 221 2220

Cafeteria Falafel Abu Naeem

A drive-up-and-honk place with incredibly cheap prices (mains AED 2-10), this is RAK's most popular falafel and hummus joint.

Location: Al Nakheel Road, near LULU Center

Phone: 07 233 7929

Emirates Sea

Excellent seafood. You get a booth with a bell to call the waiters. You will have to take a taxi to get there as it's in Al-Dhait. I recommend the grilled hammour and grilled supreme. Mains AED 50-80.

Phone: 07 222 2977

Grand Restaurant

Right next to Lebanese House, another old faded place with *great* biryani among other things. Look for the specials on the white board by the counter. Mains AED 15-20.

Location: Al Nakheel Road, opposite to the Hilton DoubleTree Hotel

Phone: 07 228 4250

Lebanese House

A stodgy old RAK institution popular with locals. Great food, maybe AED 20-30 per person.

Location: Al Jazah Road

Phone: 07 228 9992

Pure Veg

Just up the street from Grand and Lebanese House, all Indian vegetarian. Mains AED 10. I'm a fan of the thali, gobi 65, and idly chili.

Location: Al Muntasir Road

Phone: 07 227 3266

Matt's Picks



Pure Veg

Bottega Café

Ashuk Icecream

Calicut Restaurant

Old Corniche

Falafel Abu Naem

Grand Restaurant

Lebanese House

Kuwaiti Street

Blue Sea Cafeteria

Al Dahab

Al Comodor

Al Dar Café

Corniche Al Qawasim

DINING

CAFÉS

Cafés in Ras Al Khaimah are great places to meet with friends, do work, or enjoy a relaxing afternoon. Many offer a great food menu in addition to a variety of drinks that will cater to all tastes. Many also offer complementary WiFi coverage with any purchase.

- ** Recommended
- A Alcohol Available
- W Wi-Fi Available

Amor Caffé^w



Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 266 3661

Arcadia Coffee Shop^w

Location: Bin Majid Beach Hotel

Phone: 07 235 2233

Bloomsbury's^w



This is a nationwide chain that serves beverages and food. Cupcakes are their speciality.

Location: RAK Mall

Phone: 07 226 4019

Caffé Nero^w

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 243 4382

Costa Coffee^w



Costa Coffees in Ras Al Khaimah serves items similar to what you would find in the same chain in Europe. The Costa Coffees in Julphar Towers and on Al Qawasim Corniche Road are particularly charming with outdoor seating.

Locations: Manar Mall, Julphur Tower, and Al Qawasim Corniche Road

Phone: 07 226 4543

Dunkin' Donuts

Dunkin' Donuts shops found in the UAE are similar to those found in the United States (US) except local branches usually don't have breakfast sandwiches.

Locations: Bowling Center Al Nakheel, RAK Mall, and Al Naeem City Center

Phone: 07 228 8613, 07 233 8489, and 07 235 4224

Icons Coffee Couture^w



Location: Julphar Towers and Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 222 0255 and 07 233 4674

Krispy Kreme

Location: Al Qawasim Corniche Road and Safer Mall

Phone: 07 222 2240

Mojito Mama^{w**}



Location: Sheikh Muhammad bin Salem Road

Phone: 07 233 9668

New RAK Refreshment

"The best Nescafé in RAK." This shop is a favorite drive-by spot with locals. Wait in your car for a waiter to come and take your order. Both the Nescafé and karak (milk tea) are sweetened with condensed milk, and one cup likely meets your daily sugar quota. Be prepared to wait, as cars often line up here to order drinks before starting the drive to Dubai.

Location: Petrol station near the Clock roundabout

Pappa Roti

Location: Manar Mall

Phone: 07 221 1704

Second Cup^w



Location: RAK Mall

Phone: 07 233 9668

Starbucks^w



Locations: Al Hamra Mall and Manar Mall

Phone: 07 243 4772 and 07 227 2121

Tim Hortons

Tim Hortons

Locations: Al Naeem Mall and Al Qawasim Corniche Road

Phone: 056 404 1901

Tucano Café^{w}**



Tucano Café opened in 2014 and is located next to La Luna. This café has a tranquil feel to it, with seating available next to the water (Al Hamra) and free Wi-Fi. The teas, fusion coffees, deserts, and breakfast menu are all worth trying.

Location: Al Hamra and Naeem Mall

Phone: 07 243 8572 and 0562854961

RESTAURANTS

There are plenty of excellent restaurants to pick from in the emirate. In the winter, it's nice to eat at outdoor restaurants. It's customary to tip 10-15% for the service and is best to leave the tip in cash. As you drive around, you'll notice a number of shops are called "cafeterias." These cafeterias typically sell fresh juice and snacks. Because of the lack of addresses, if you would like to have food delivered, you will need to describe the nearby landmarks.

Al Daya'a Shawerma

Cuisine: Arabic

Location: RAK Mall

Phone: 07 236 4782

Al Fanar

Cuisine: Emirati

Location: Sheikh Muhammad bin Salem Road

Phone: 07 222 2240

Al Sahari

Cuisine: Lebanese

Al Shari is a busy place and is extremely popular with the Arab community.

Location: E11 (Ras Al Khaimah's main road), near RAK Municipality

Phone: 07 233 3966

Al Waha

Cuisine: International fine dining

Location: Al Wadi Desert

Phone: 07 206 7777

Al Yaqoot Al Afghani

Cuisine: Afghani

Location: Al Dhait

Phone: 07 235 1480

Awtar

Cuisine: Lebanese

Location: Tower Links Golf Club

Phone: 07 227 8552

Bait Al Mahashi**



Cuisine: Egyptian and Syrian

This very affordable, filling, and delicious takeaway spot sells only three dishes but have mastered them all. We recommend their Koshary dish.

Location: Near Kentucky Fried Chicken, a few doors down from the Two Dirham Plaza.

Phone: 07 235 2533

Basilico**

Cuisine: Italian and Mediterranean

This restaurant offers a mix of traditional and modern Italian dishes.

Location: Cove Rotana Resort

Phone: 07 206 6000

Belgian Beer Café^A



Cuisine: Pub food

Location: Vienna Street, Al Hamra

Phone: 07 243 8489

Bella Venezia

Cuisine: Italian

Location: RAK Mall

Phone: 07 228 6688

Breakers

Cuisine: Pub food

Location: Cove Rotana Resort

Phone: 07 206 6000

Bundoo Khan

Cuisine: Indian and Pakistani

Location: Ramada Hotel and Suites

Phone: 07 205 8888

www.ramada.com

Caesar's

Cuisine: Indian, Chinese, Persian, Continental

This chain has been in the UAE for over 20 years.

Location: Al Qawasim Corniche Road, near Mangrove Hotel

Phone: 07 233 6044

Café Bateel



Cuisine: Arabic Fusion

Location: Naeem Mall

Phone: 07 226 1082

Canadian Pizza**



Cuisine: Italian and Canadian

Location: Al Nakheel, next to the RAK Gas building opposite to the Hilton DoubleTree hotel

Phone: 07 244 0101

Casa Maghrib

Cuisine: Moroccan

Location: Marjan Island Resort and Spa

Phone: 07 203 6603

Chili's

Cuisine: American

Chili's offers a wide range of American dishes, serves mocktails, and will also deliver.

Locations: Manar Mall and Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 228 8838

www.chilisuae.com

Chinese Dragon

Cuisine: Chinese

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 055 443 8961

Cinnamon^A

Cuisine: International

Cinnamon offers a nice international buffet, which is particularly good during Ramadan. On Fridays, they have a Dubai-style brunch.

Location: Cove Rotana Resort

Phone: 07 206 6000

Doner Kebab

Cuisine: Turkish

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 243 8838

El Chico

Cuisine: Mexican

Location: Naeem Mall

Phone: 07 705 9683

Golden Crown

Cuisine: Indian

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 243 4878

Golden Fork

Cuisine: International and Seafood

Location: Al Juwais

Phone: 07 222 5226

Hatam

Cuisine: Persian

Location: Al Hamra Mall and RAK Mall

Phone: 055 402 5459

IHOP

Cuisine: American

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 246 5004

India Palace

Cuisine: Indian

Location: RAK Mall

Phone: 07 226 0171

www.indiapalace.ae

Johnny Rockets

Cuisine: American

This American chain is themed like a 1950s diner and offers tasty hamburgers and french fries.

Location: Al Hamra Mall and Al Hamra Marina

Phone: 07 243 6017 and 07 243 4036

Juice World**

Cuisine: International

Opened in 2013, as the name suggests, this neon lit shop offers every kind of fresh juice concoction imaginable. If you're hungry, a wide variety of food is also available. The shawarmas are decent. Delivery is also possible.

Location: Al Muntasir Road, Al Nakheel, near the Centrepont

Phone: 07 227 7441

La LunaA**

Cuisine: Italian and Thai

With seating next to the water, this restaurant has friendly staff and delicious food.

Location: Al Hamra Marina and Mina Al Arab

Phone: 07 234 4600
and 07 243 3083

Lagoons Sports Bar^A

Cuisine: Pub food

Location: Al Hamra Golf Club

Phone: 07 244 7474 (ext. 4)

Lexington Grill^{A}**

Cuisine: Grill

This luxury restaurant serves flavorful steak and seafood. If you order a steak, be prepared to know what kind of knife you would like to use, as the waiter will come with a plate of different knives from which you can choose.

Location: Waldorf Astoria Hotel

Phone: 07 203 5555

Maharaja

Cuisine: Indian

Location: RAK Mall

Phone: 07 222 5622

Maison Mathis^A

Cuisine: International

In addition to the lovely atmosphere, Maison Mathis also has a fantastic brunch.

Location: Al Hamra Golf Club

Phone: 07 243 8633

Mandilicious

Cuisine: Saudi

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 800 81 8181

Marjan^A

Cuisine: Moroccan and Lebanese

An upscale dining experience, highly recommended for large groups.

Location: Waldorf Astoria Hotel

Phone: 07 203 5555

waldorfastoria3.hilton.com

Masaya^{}**

Cuisine: Lebanese

Masaya is a consistently delicious Lebanese restaurant that does delivery and catering.

Location: Manar Mall

Phone: 07 227 7500

Nando's

Cuisine: Portuguese

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 243 8848

Noodles Corner^{A}**

Cuisine: Chinese

Set in a lovely, pleasant atmosphere overlooking the Corniche, Noodles Corner serves some of the best Chinese food in Ras Al Khaimah.

Location: Mangrove Hotel on Al Qawasim Corniche Road

Phone: 07 233 7733

Omar Al Khayyam

Cuisine: Persian

Serving Persian fare since the 1990s, this restaurant has a long history in the emirate.

Location: Kuwaiti Street

Phone: 07 233 2824 or 07 233 3745

Passage to Asia

Cuisine: Asian

Tucked away in the back of the Hilton Resort and Spa, this restaurant offers a wide selection of quality Asian food. The restaurant also accommodates larger groups.

Location: Hilton Resort & Spa

Phone: 07 228 8888

Pasta Mania

Cuisine: Italian

Location: Manar Mall

Phone: 07 227 7640

Pesto^{A}**

Cuisine: Italian

Pesto serves fresh Italian food at reasonable prices. Both restaurants have indoor and outdoor seating. Pesto is a nice place to take guests.

Cuisine: Italian

Locations: Al Hamra Golf Club

Phone: 07 244 7474

Pizza Express

Cuisine: Italian

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 221 1175

Pizza Inn

Cuisine: Italian

Location: Dafan Al Khor

Phone: 07 233 4040

Pura Vida Restaurant

Cuisine: Brazilian

Location: Hilton Beach Resort, next to Passage to Asia

Phone: 07 228 8844

Pure Veg**

Cuisine: Vegetarian Indian

Location: Al Nakheel, opposite Al Manama Hypermarket

Phone: 07 227 3266

Qasr Al Bahr

Cuisine: International buffet (open for breakfast and dinner only)

Location: Waldorf Astoria Hotel

Phone: 07 203 5555

Reem Al Bawadi

Cuisine: Levant

Location: Naeem Mall

Phone: 07 233 0940

Saffron**

Cuisine: Thai

A twenty-minute drive out of Ras Al Khaimah city is worth it for the best Thai food in town. The upscale restaurant is set near the resort's nature reserve, and, if you're lucky, you'll get to see some wildlife.

Location: Al Wadi Desert

Phone: 07 206 7777

Shakespeare & Co.

Cuisine: International

Shakespeare & Co. has a western-style brunch menu served most of the day.

Location: Al Hamra Mall and Al Naeem Mall

Phone: 07 243 4660 and 07 233 0406

Shanab Burger

Cuisine: American

Location: Sheikh Muhammad bin Salem Road

Phone: 07 222 2260

Siam Palace

Cuisine: Thai, Filipino, and Chinese

Location: RAK Mall

Phone: 07 226 4458

Sumo Sushi & Bento

Cuisine: Japanese

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 243 8898

Taj Spice

Cuisine: Indian

Location: Behind Al Naeem City Center

Phone: 07 235 2070

The Grand Restaurant

Cuisine: Indian

Location: Al Salha General Trading Building, opposite Dubai Islamic Bank and near Nakheel Hotel

Phone: 07 228 7685

The Noodle Room Express

Cuisine: Chinese

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 243 4330

The Village Restaurant

Cuisine: Buffet

Location: Al Hamra Village Golf & Beach Resort

Phone: 07 206 7222

Thunder Road Pizza & Grill**

Cuisine: Italian

With raving reviews all around, this little hidden gem has people driving all the way from other emirates just for a taste.

Location: Sheikh Muhammad bin Salem road, opposite Mina Al Arab

Phone: 052 994 9056

Trader Vic'sA**



Cuisine: Polynesian

Opened in 2014, Trader Vic's has vibrant outdoor and indoor seating, often with live music. The venue also offers Dubai-style Friday brunches.

Location: Hilton Al Hamra Beach and Golf Resort

Phone: 07 244 6666

UMI^A

Cuisine: Japanese

UMI is one of the only Japanese and teppanyaki restaurant in Ras Al Khaimah. The restaurant also has a limited sushi menu. The prices are relatively high, but so is the quality of the food.

Location: Waldorf Astoria Hotel

Phone: 07 203 5555

Venus**

Cuisine: Vegetarian Indian

The thali, chapatti, rice, and curries are all delicious here. Prices are also reasonable.

Location: Al Nakheel, near Safeer Market, behind Al Orabni Hospital

Phone: 07 221 2164

Vespa

Cuisine: Italian

Location: DoubleTree by Hilton, Al Marjan Island

Phone: 07 203 0000

Voltage Burger

Cuisine: American

Location: Sheikh Muhammad bin Salem Road

Phone: 07 233 4000

WAGA Sushi



Cuisine: Japanese

Location: Al Dhait North

Phone: 07 226 4441

Wow Burger

Cuisine: American

Location: Al Dhait North, near Ashok Icecream

Phone: 050 181 2179

Hatam

Cuisine: Persian

Location: Al Hamra Mall and RAK Mall

Phone: 055 402 5459

Maharaja

Cuisine: Indian

Location: RAK Mall

Phone: 07 222 5622

FAST FOOD

If you're not watching what you eat and don't feel like leaving home, most fast food chains offer delivery. talabat.com offers online ordering.

Burger King

Cuisine: American

Locations: Multiple locations

Phone: 600 5 22224

Chow King

Cuisine: Chinese, Filipino, Indonesian

Location: Al Naeem City Center

Phone: 600 5 60031

Dairy Queen

Cuisine: American

Location: Naeem Mall

Phone: 600 5 69000

Hardee's

Cuisine: American

Location: Manar Mall

Phone: 600 5 69000

Kentucky Fried Chicken (KFC)

Cuisine: American

Locations: Multiple locations

Phone: 600 5 22252

McDonald's

Cuisine: American

Locations: Multiple locations

Phone: 600 5 88885

Papa John's

Papa John's sells takeaway and delivery pizza. They're known for their famous garlic sauce dip.

Cuisine: Pizza

Locations: Al Hamra Mall and RAK Mall

Phone: 600 5 20001

Pizza Hut

Cuisine: Pizza

Location: Sheikh Rashid bin Saeed Road, Al Dhait, Ras Al Khaimah, near Zaed Health Centre

Phone: 600 5 69999

Subway

Cuisine: American

Location: Al Hisn Road Adnoc Petrol Station

Phone: 600 5 69000

BEAUTY SALONS

Salons in Ras Al Khaimah are generally segregated by gender, so if you're a man, make sure you are going to one designated for males.

MEN'S SALONS

Bassam Salon

Location: Al Hisn Road

Phone: 07 227 7746

Khuzam Hairdresser

Location: Khuzam Road

Phone: 07 236 4281

Modern Hair Salon

Location: Al Qawasim Corniche Road

Phone: 07 233 7233

Prestige Gents Salon

Location: E11 (Ras Al Khaimah's main road), near post office

Phone: 07 233 6800

Toni & Guy**



Location: Waldorf Astoria

Phone: 07 243 0001

WOMEN'S SALONS

There is no shortage of women's salons offering services at a variety of price points. Hairdressers for women are typically Moroccan and are often not familiar with western hair types; however, Tips and Toes is an exception.

Salons tend to offer haircuts, color, manicures and pedicures, Moroccan baths, massages, waxing, and much more.

Diva Beauty Salon

Location: Khuzam Road

Phone: 07 236 1116

Esmat Beauty Salon

Location: Khuzam Road

Phone: 07 233 3701 or 07 236 4322

France Coiffure Beauty Salon

Location: Al Hamra Village

Phone: 07 244 7917

House of Beauty**

House of Beauty has good quality manicures and pedicures, with lovely staff.

Location: Khuzam Road, Al Dhait North, Al Dhait South

Phone: 07 236 2624

House of Style Beauty Center Salon

Location: Al Dhait South and Al Jazeera Al Hamra

Phone: 07 235 5266 and 07 243 1333

Nail Touch Spa

Nail Touch Spa is local hotspot for manicures and pedicures.

Location: RAK Mall, Khuzam Road, Al Qorm

Phone: 07 226 4403

Riviera Centre**

Riviera offers nice manicures and pedicures, in addition to other services.

Location: Khuzam Road, near the Clock roundabout going east, the first street on the right.

Phone: 07 236 3335

Tips and Toes**



Tips and Toes is a UAE chain that takes reservations (not something all salons do). Their services include hair coloring, manicures and pedicures, massages, and more. The salon's staff are efficient and friendly.

Location: Al Hamra Mall and Manar Mall

Phone: 07 243 3770 and 07 233 7719

HOTEL SPAS

The Ritz-Carlton Ras Al Khaimah, Al Wadi Desert



Location: Exit 119 off E11 (Ras Al Khaimah's main road), Al Dhait, near Sheikh Khalifa Specialist Hospital

Phone: 07 206 7777

Anjana Spa

Location: Rixos Bab Al Bahr, Al Marjan Island

Phone: 07 202 0000

Cove Rotana Resort Spa

Location: E11 (Ras Al Khaimah's main road), Al Dhait South, opposite Danube Buildmart

Phone: 07 206 6000

Eforea Spa and Eforea Ladies Only Spa

Location: DoubleTree by Hilton Resort & Spa, Al Marjan Island

Phone: 07 203 0000

Golden Tulip Khatt Springs Resort & Spa

Please note that there are multiple Golden Tulips and one is in Oman, so make sure you're going to the right place.

Location: Khatt Street District

Phone: 07 244 7917

Hilton Resort & Spa

Location: Al Maarid, Ras Al Khaimah

Phone: 07 228 8888

La'mar Spa

Location: Al Marjan Island Resort

Phone: 07 203 6666

Waldorf Astoria Spa

Location: Waldorf Astoria Hotel, Al Hamra

Phone: 07 203 5555

SHOPPING & RETAIL

— SHOPPING MALLS —

You'll likely find yourself going to malls more than you ever have before. Malls in Ras Al Khaimah are hotspots for grocery shopping, paying Etisalat bills, going to the movies, eating out, picking up takeaway, and meeting friends.

Al Hamra Mall



The first shopping complex in the growing Al Jazeera Al Hamra area, Al Hamra Mall has a selection of stores, cafés, and restaurants' such as Spinney's, Adidas, Starbucks, Johnny Rockets, Areej, Caffé Nero, Tips and Toes, and Esprit. There is also a VOX movie theatre if you want to catch a movie.

Location: Al Hamra

www.althamramall.com

Al Naeem City Center

Al Naeem City Center features a Carrefour hypermarket as its flagship store. It also has restaurants and cafés such as McDonald's, Starbucks, Chow King and the great Jungle Bungle entertainment center for kids.

Location: Sheikh Rashid bin Saeed Road, Al Dhait

Phone: 07 235 6569

Al Naeem Mall

Al Naeem mall offers an excellent dining experience with beautiful water front views in addition to housing world-renowned fashion brands.

Location: Al Nakheel Road

Phone: 07 227 5000

www.alnaeemmall.com

Centrepoint

This is a mini-mall that contains affordable clothing, shoes, and home accessories. Brands include Splash, Lifestyle, Babyshop, and Shoemart.

Location: Bin Dhaher Centre, Al Dhait showroom area, off E11, near Al Muntasir Road, opposite Manar Mall

Phone: 07 228 3460, 07 235 9992

www.centrepoinstores.com

Manar Mall

This well-established mall has a large Carrefour at one end and a lively food court and the Grand Manar Cinema at the other end. In between you will find branches of well-known international brands, as well as a wide selection of smaller shops.

Location: Al Muntasir Road

www.manarmall.com

RAK Mall

RAK Mall is home to the best LuLu hypermarket in the emirate. Additionally, RAK Mall has coffee shops (Dunkin' Donuts, Bloomsbury, etc.), a nice nail salon, a store specializing in dates, and a mini ice rink on the top floor.

Location: Khuzam Road

www.rak-mall.com

— GROCERY & RETAIL —

A wide variety of items are available in and around Ras Al Khaimah's grocery and retail chains.

Aysha Supermarket

Aysha does home deliveries within the Khuzam neighborhood. It's particularly useful for water or milk in the morning. If you're a good customer, Aysha might open a tab for you.

Location: Khuzam Road

Phone: 07 235 4540

Carrefour**

Carrefour is a French hypermarket franchise. In addition to grocery items, the store sells electronics, clothing, home goods, and much more.

Locations: Al Naeem City Center and Manar Mall

Phone: 07 207 0777 and 07 202 7888

www.carrefouruae.com

Choithrams

Choithrams offers a solid variety of higher-end international foods, including pork products.

Locations: Mina Al Arab and Julphar Towers

Phone: 07 243 8249 and 07 226 4157

Jumbo Electronics

Jumbo Electronics sells a wide array of electronics. They even sell Apple products. This is the shop to come to if you need a hard-to-find item.

Location: Al Nakheel, Oman Road

Phone: 07 227 1991

LuLu Hypermarket**

LuLu (which means “Pearl” in Arabic) was started in the UAE by expat Indians and is a two story hypermarket that sells imported food from around the globe. If you need more than food, the second floor of the shop has everything from televisions to toys.

Location: RAK Mall

Phone: 07 207 0400

Sevan Bakery

Sells great pastries (e.g., cheese and parsley, egg and cheese, and a variety of sweets). Eat-in or take away. Opens at 6:00 AM

Location: Sheikh Mohammed bin Salem Road, Sidroh, next to Al Sahara restaurant

Phone: 07 233 3350

Spinneys**

Spinneys is a Middle Eastern grocery store chain that imports most of its food from the United Kingdom (you will find the Waitrose brand here). If you’re looking for organic food, pork products or any other imported items you can’t find at Carrefour or LuLu, it’s worth checking out Spinneys.

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 243 4010

Sharaf DG

One of the leading electronics retail stores in the UAE. They also offer delivery for all purchases, including large home appliances.

Location: Al Naeem Mall

Phone: 800 344357

— HOME & GARDEN —

There are many nice home stores in the emirate. If you can't find a particular item that you're looking for, don't forget that IKEA and Pottery Barn are just an hour's drive away in Dubai. If you spend over a certain amount in IKEA, the store will deliver to Ras Al Khaimah and assemble your items for free.

Home Centre**

Home Centre is a regional brand that sells furniture, bedding, and home accessories.

Locations: Al Muntasir Road, Al Nakheel, opposite Manar Mall, and Al Naeem City Center

Phone: 07 227 1555
and 07 235 9016

Homes-R-U

Location: RAK Mall

Phone: 07 233 9695

www.homesrusgroup.com

IKEA

Located in Dubai, this Swedish chain is popular with many new residents in the UAE. They deliver to Ras Al Khaimah.

Location: Al Rebat Road, Festival City Mall

Phone: 04 203 7555

Maison Chic**

Maison Chic sells a wide array of arts and crafts and teak furniture. They also have regular sales.

Location: E11, has a big wooden chair outside and it's on the left on the way out of town.

Phone: 07 235 3626

www.maisonchicdubai.com

PAN Emirates

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 243 8383

www.panemirates.com

Pottery Barn

With multiple locations in Dubai, this upscale American home store has a wide variety of home goods.

Locations: Mirdif City Centre and Dubai Mall

Phone: 04 419 0313

Royal Palace Furniture

Location: Sheikh Salem Road,
near Phone: 07 235 3308

Turathyat Ajdade Antiques & Traditional Handicrafts**

While not a market, this shop has a wonderful assortment of antiques for sale, many originally from the emirate.

Location: Between Pearl roundabout and the National Museum of Ras Al Khaimah

Phone: 07 233 3396

MARKETS

Kuwaiti Street**

Kuwaiti Souq is considered the oldest market in Ras Al Khaimah. It has more than 50 shops and a variety of shops that sell various goods such as food, clothes, perfumes, cloaks, and jewellery.

Location: Old Ras Al Khaimah

Mairid Fish and Vegetable Market**

This fish and vegetable market is open in the evenings. Freshly caught seafood can be bargained for and, once purchased, cleaned in the back area for a small additional fee.

Location: Al Mairid, near Hilton Beach Club, Corniche Road

Phone: 07 233 7705

Masafi Market

This outdoor market located outside of the city has all kinds of offerings, including furniture, fresh juice, wooden art, and all kinds of carpets. Visiting Masafi market, also known as Friday Market, is a good weekend activity.

Location: Al Dhaid Masafi road, close to the Emirati-Omani border near Fujairah, roughly an hour drive from Ras Al Khaimah City.

Morning Fish Market**

The morning fish market is located in old Ras Al Khaimah. Be sure to arrive early for the freshest crabs, shrimp, and fish.

Location: Old Ras Al Khaimah, near the Lantern roundabout

Ras Al Khaimah Fruit and Vegetable Market

If you need to buy large quantities of fruit and vegetables, consider visiting this market.

Location: Under the Bridge Road, Rose Cottage, Sheikh Rashid bin Saeed Road, Al Dhait, opposite Al Naeem City Center

Phone: 07 235 0056

CHOCOLATE

Gifts are very popular in the emirate. If you find yourself going to a last minute event, it might be appropriate to bring chocolate or flowers.

Chocolala**



In addition to friendly service, this chocolate shop sells high-quality chocolates at reasonable prices. They can also do custom boxes for large orders.

Location: Al Musheer Bldg.,
Corniche Road

Phone: 07 236 1330

Fuala Chocolates



Location: Corniche Road

Phone: 07 233 6644

Patchi Chocolates

Patchi is a luxury, high-end chocolate chain that originated in Lebanon.

Locations: Manar Mall and Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 228 3111 and 07 243 4338

www.patchi.com

FLOWERS

Looking to get something special for someone special? Some of these flower shops will deliver.

Gardenia Flowers

Location: Al Mamourah Street

Phone: 07 228 7202

Insta Flower

Location: Sheikh Mohamed bin Salem Road

Phone: 07 236 1161

Lotus Flower**

Location: Al Dhait, opposite to Kentucky Fried Chicken

Phone: 07 235 3673

www.lotusflowersrak.com

Rose Cottage**

Location: Sheikh Rashid bin Saeed Road

Phone: 07 235 0056

ENTERTAINMENT/ LEISURE

There is no shortage of things to do on the weekend in Ras Al Khaimah. In addition to shopping at some of the major malls, residents and visitors can go sailing, grab a movie, picnic in the desert, visit Ice Land Water Park, and much more.

Ras Al Khaimah's major annual events include the Fine Arts Festival, and the annual RAK Half Marathon, which are not listed below.

— HISTORY & CULTURE —

Awafi Area



Many tourists visit Awafi during school vacations in the winter. Camping in the desert is a great opportunity to play football or volleyball in the sand or go quad-biking. Alternatively you can simply sit under the stars and enjoy a barbecue with friends. There is also a special annual Awafi Festival, typically in December and January.

Location: Almost opposite to Saqr Park, Al Digdaga

Camel Races**

The racing season starts in October and ends by March, with races taking place on Fridays and Saturdays, from as early as 6:00 until around 9:30 in the morning, when the temperature is still low and pleasant. On any other day you can see camels training and warming up. Join in the fun with some locals and their quad-bikes early on Friday mornings. If you want to ride a camel, you can take part in an organized desert safari.

Location: Head towards Ras Al Khaimah Airport and turn right by the egg farm signs, after Awafi

Desert Safari with Travco Travel L.L.C.

If you prefer not to wander into the desert alone, you can always book a tour.

Phone: 055 334 1526

Location: Travco Travel L.L.C.

Falcon Show**

Falconry is a traditional part of Emirati culture. Call in advance to find out when shows are taking place.

Location: Al Wadi Desert

Phone: 07 206 7777

National Museum of Ras Al Khaimah**

The National Museum, although not large, provides an interesting look into life in Ras Al Khaimah in the past. The museum is housed in a former fort and royal residence. \ The museum has a nice collection of archaeological treasures, jewelry, weapons, costumes, and seashells.

Location: Old Ras Al Khaimah

Phone: 07 233 3411

The Desert**

The desert is a great spot for camping, barbecues, fires, dancing, dog walking, and general merriment. Just make sure the camels don't smell your breakfast.

Location: No need to go far or deep, just turn off the 311 or even the 611 providing you're in a 4x4.

— PARKS & ACTIVITIES —

Absolute Adventure- Jebel Jais Via Ferrata Zipline

Professional instructors will guide you along our spectacular route. Enjoy 3 thrilling zip lines as you traverse more than 1km along the mountain route. With morning and afternoon start times available.

Location: Jebel Jais

www.jebeljais.ae/via-ferrata/

Al Hamra Marina & Yacht Club

If you're interested in boating, give the Yacht Club a call.

Address: Al Hamra Village

Phone: 07 243 2274

Al Jazeera Flying Club**

With advanced booking, Al Jazeera offers 2-seater plane rides for breathtaking views of Ras Al Khaimah. They also offer flying lessons approved by the General Civil Aviation Authority of UAE.

Location: Al Jazeera Al Hamra

Phone: 07 244 6416

Al Wadi Equestrian Adventure Centre

Offers horseback and camel riding as well as activities such as archery to people of all levels and abilities.

Location: Al Wadi Desert

Phone: 07 243 5422

Archery

A fun afternoon activity. Call in advance.

Address: Al Wadi Desert

Phone: 07 206 7777

Bike Riding

Feel like going for a bike ride but don't own one? Rent one on the Corniche.

Location: Corniche Road

Challenging Adventure



Offers a wide variety of professional outdoor adventure activities and camping for the entire family at Jebel Jais. Activities include, but are not limited to, wilderness survival skills, archery, and abseiling.

Location: Jebel Jais Mountain

Phone: 600 59 9905

Dibba**

The Dibba region has one of the best sunrise and sunset views in the UAE. Swim, barbecue, and watch the fishermen haul in their huge catch each evening. Use the beach hotel nearby for a bathroom break.

Location: Drive through the Hajar Mountains for beach camping in Dibba. It is a 45-minute drive with clear signs posted. Take your passport.

Fun City

This indoor children's amusement center provides video games, train rides, animal rides, and gaming.

Location: Manar Mall

Phone: 07 227 0000

Ice Land Water Park**



For adventure seekers, Ice Land Waterpark is a great place to enjoy thrilling water rides in the UAE heat. It also offers ladies-only nights, and it is especially nice to go there in September and October.

Location: Before Al Hamra Village and after Mina Al Arab, easy to spot due to the large artificial snowcapped mountain

Phone: 07 244 7547

www.icelandwaterpark.com

Jungle Bungle

Jungle Bungle has rides, play areas, video games, bumper boats, a train, and puppet shows. It's best for younger children.

Location: Al Naeem City Center

Phone: 07 244 6533

RAK Track



Looking for that intense desire for competitiveness and rivalry? This is your chance to bring your friends along with you to settle things on RAK Track's Go Kart circuit!

Location: Sheikh Muhammad bin Salem Road, opposite Ice Land Water Park.

Phone: 07 222 2128

Ras Al Khaimah Sailing Association (RAKSA)

We recommend requesting access to the Facebook group www.facebook.com/groups/raksa.sailing/

Location: RAKSA is close to the Hilton Beach Resort

Phone: 07 223 7376 or
raksa.sailing@gmail.com

Ras Al Khaimah Water Ski Club

Location: Corniche Road

Phone: 07 236 4444

WATER SPORTS

Water sports are popular in the emirate. Consider comparing prices and options.

Freedom Catamaran Sailing Yacht

Kayaking, jet ski rental, sailing, and parachutes at International Water Sports Club. Call in advance to book.

Location: Al Qawasim Corniche Road

Phone: 050 735 4096

CINEMAS

For a taste of Emirati filmmaking talent, be sure to attend the Ras Al Khaimah Fine Arts Festival held each February. For regular films throughout the year, there are a number of local cinema options.

Cinemax Cinemas

Location: Al Naeem Mall

Phone: 07 244 0222

Gulf Cinema

This cinema tends to play a number of Bollywood movies.

Location: Al Nakheel, Sheikh Saqr bin Mohammed Road

Phone: 07 222 3313

Novo Cinemas

Renovated in 2014, this cinema typically plays a mix of Hollywood, Bollywood, and Arabic movies.

Location: Manar Mall

Phone: 07 227 0000

VOX Cinemas

Opened in 2013, VOX cinema typically plays Hollywood, Bollywood, and Arabic blockbuster movies. For an extra fee, viewers can sit in “VIP” seats.

Location: Al Hamra Mall

uae.voxcinemas.com

FITNESS

Bodybuilding gyms for men are popular in Ras Al Khaimah. There are also a number of other fitness gyms and resort memberships to pick from if you're not interested in bodybuilding. It's worth noting that sometimes gyms are separated by gender, although this is typically not the case at hotels and resorts.

Al Qwaa Body Building

Location: Near E11 (Ras Al Khaimah's main road), behind Kentucky Fried Chicken

Phone: 07 235 2678

Al Reem Fitness Center

Location: Office #104 Muhammad Abdul Karim Bldg., near Sheikh Zayed Mosque

Phone: 07 236 4229

Alekhlas Ladies Fitness

Location: Concord Bldg., Al Nakheel, behind Dubai Islamic Bank

Phone: 07 228 8337

Barrej Health Club

A gym for hardcore bodybuilders.

Location: 7 Al Bagidady Street, Khuzam Road

Phone: 07 236 3000

Cove Rotana Resort Gym**

Memberships at the Cove Rotana gym are competitively priced and include access to the gym, sauna, pools, and beach. The gym is clean, and you rarely have to wait to access equipment. The Cove is an exceptional place to spend a weekend, and the view is especially breathtaking.

Location: E11 (Ras Al Khaimah's main road)

Phone: 07 206 6000

Fitness 360

Ladies-only gym franchise with state of the art equipment.

Location: Al Qawasem Corniche Corniche

Phone: 07 233 6484

Fitness First

Location: Julphar Towers

Phone: 07 226 3020

Fitness Time

A men’s only facility with state of the art equipment, including a swimming pool.

Location: Al Naem Mall

Phone: 07 226 7829

Gold’s Gym



Part of an international chain, this gym is popular among locals and expatriates.

Location: Mina Al Arab, Al Jazeera Al Hamra

Phone: 07 243 3533

Hilton Ras Al Khaimah Resort Gym

Location: Al Maareedh Street

Phone: 07 228 8844

Nefertiti Ladies Fitness Club**

A favorite ladies-only gym in Ras Al Khaimah for all women looking to stay fit. It offers an array of group classes ranging from Zumba to circuit training, along with personalized gym training in a fun, supportive environment. Be warned, though, you do get called if you miss your training!

Location: Gulf Tower, near RAK Mall, Chocolala Building

Phone number: 07 233 9740

Swiss Fit ‘n’ Slim

Ladies-only gym.

Location: Corniche Al Qawasem, near Boat roundabout

Phone: 07 233 6484

HEALTH CARE

— HOSPITALS & CLINICS —

There are a variety of hospitals and clinics in Ras Al Khaimah that cover a broad spectrum of treatments from health-related symptoms to beauty treatments.

Al Zahrawi Hospital

This is a good spot to go if you don't have insurance and are on a budget. Al Zahrawi is known for its free vaccines for children.

Location: Al Rams Road

Phone: 07 228 8544 or 07 228 8141

www.alzahrawihospital.com

Dr. Ahlam Kareem Jassim, Gynecology & Obstetric Clinic

Location: Oman Road, opposite Ibn Al Betar Medical Centre, Salmin Bldg., Immigration Road, Al Mamourah, near Mary's roundabout

Phone: 07 227 7666

Kaya Skin Clinic

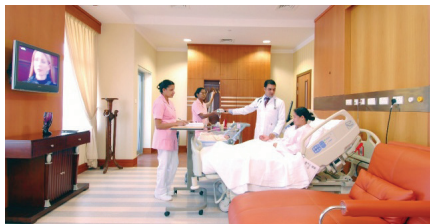
This clinic offers laser hair removal, Botox, dermatology, and more.

Location: Khuzam Road, Street 12A, Villa 13

Phone: 07 236 3708

www.kayaskinclinic.me

Ras Al Khaimah Hospital**



If you have decent insurance and need to visit a doctor in Ras Al Khaimah, RAK Hospital is a good choice. The hospital has doctors from all over the world and markets itself as a medical tourism destination.

Location: Al Juwais, near Lantern roundabout

Phone: 07 207 4444

www.rakhospital.com

Saif bin Ghubash Hospital

Location: Al Uraibi Street, Al Nakheel

Phone: 07 222 3555

Saqr Hospital

Saqr is the main public hospital serving the emirate. You will need to show your insurance card here.

Location: Oman Road, next to RAK Hospital, near Lantern roundabout

Phone: 07 222 3666

Shaam Hospital

Shaam is another public hospital. If you find yourself near the border of Oman and need a doctor, this would be the place to go.

Location: General Street, near Cement Company

Phone: 07 266 6465

Sheikh Khalifa Specialty Hospital

Location: Al Shohadaa road

Phone: 07 244 4444

Thumbay Clinic RAK

Location: Near the DoubleTree Hilton Hotel, Al Nakheel Road

Phone: 07 226 7464

VLCC Slimming Beauty Fitness

VLCC

Location: Emirates Bank Building, Al Nakheel Road

Phone: 07 226 0656

DENTISTS

Al Huda Medical Centre

Location: NS Tower 1501, Corniche Road

Phone: 07 226 0240

Al Shehab Dental Surgery & Orthodontic Centre

Location: Sheikh Abdul Aziz Bldg., Al Nakheel

Phone: 07 222 1606

Azhar Dental Clinic

Phone: 07 233 4446

Balsam Clinic, Dr. Sumit Gupta

Location: Oman Road

Phone: 07 222 6111

Bright Dental Clinic

Location: Near Lulu Centre

Phone: 07 228 2228

RAK Hospital Dental Clinic**

Location: Al Juwais, near Lantern roundabout

Phone: 07 207 4444

www.rakhospital.com

Riyad Diab Al Amassi

Location: Oman Road, near Al Nakheel Pharmacy

Phone: 07 222 8328

Smile Care Dental Clinic**

Location: Al Jazah Road, Behind RAK Insurance

Phone: 07 228 2080

— OPTICIANS & OPTICAL STORES —

Al Jaber Optical Centre

Location: Manar Mall

Phone: 07 227 6761

Al Khaleej Optical

Location: Oman Road

Phone: 07 222 2145

Al Noor Optical

Location: Al Nakheel, Ras Al Khaimah, near Pearl roundabout

Phone: 07 233 0010

Euro Optic

Location: Conrniche Al Qawasim Road

Phone: 07 233 4811

EyeZone Sunglasses & Optical Store

Location: Al Naeem Mall

Phone: 07 233 9184

Julphar Optician

Location: Ras Al Khaimah, near Pearl roundabout

Phone: 07 233 1734

Magrabi Optical

Location: Shop #24, Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 243 4064

www.magrabioptical.com

Samir Optical

Location: Manar Mall

Phone: 07 228 8891

The Optical Store

Location: RAK Mall

Phone: 07 226 4545

— PHARMACIES —

Many people get their prescriptions filled right at the hospital. However, if you're out and need to pick something up, small pharmacies are everywhere.

Al Manar Pharmacy

Location: Manar Mall, Al Muntasir Road, opposite Al Ansari Exchange

Phone: 07 227 4848

Bin Sina Pharmacy

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 243 4488

Boots

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 227 4848

RAK Hospital Pharmacy

Location: Khuzam Road

Phone: 07 207 4245

Thumbay Pharmacy

Location: Next to Golden Crown Restuarant, Al Jazah Road. This pharmacy oprates 24 a day.

Phone: 07 226 7190

SERVICES

WATER

Residents in this region tend to drink bottled water. If you don't live in an apartment complex with water delivery, you'll likely want to know who to call when yours runs out. Large water bottles are typically returned and reused, with discounts given on refills.

Awafi Water

Phone: 07 246 1222

www.awafewater.com

Masafi Water

Location: Al Qusaidat, behind Old Ras Al Khaimah Cinema

Phone: 07 228 6030

www.masafi.com

— LAUNDRY & TAILORS —

Lena's Tailor Shop**

A wide variety of clothing alterations can be made here.

Location: Opposite Kerala supermarket in Nakheel, behind Gulf Cinema

Phone: 055 946 3964

Modern Laundry**

Modern Laundry has a number of branches throughout Ras Al Khaimah. Service is friendly and dependable.

Location: Khuzam Road, near Hot Breads

Phone: 07 236 1468

Riza's Tailor Shop**

Riza can help you alter, fix, or make copies of your clothes.

Location: Opposite Kerala supermarket in Nakheel, behind Gulf Cinema

Phone: 055 879 0987

— PHONE PROVIDERS —

To purchase a new SIM card, be sure to have a copy of your passport with your visa or residency permit. Du and Etisalat are the major phone providers. Etisalat also offers home internet called eLife that comes bundled with a landline number and a set top box. If you need a phone fixed or something similar, there are numerous small telephone shops throughout the city.

Du

Location: Manar Mall

Phone: 800 188

www.du.ae

Etisalat

Location: Directory Inquiry Services

Phone: 700 017 000 or 181 or 101

www.etisalat.ae

SWYP

www.swyp.ae

Virgin Mobile

www.virginmobile.ae

— HOUSE CLEANING —

Abu Sultan

Location: Dafan Al Khor, near Lantern roundabout

Phone: 07 236 1813

Home Service Cleaning and Maintenance Solution



Location: Al Hamra Free Zone Business Center 5, opposite the Acacia Hotel

Phone: 07 244 4208

— COURIER SERVICES —

Addresses in Ras Al Khaimah are a bit inexact, and you will likely find yourself describing your location many times over the course of your stay in the country. It will make your life easier if you learn the recognizable landmarks near your home and office quickly. Couriers such as Aramex and DHL will come to you and pick up your items for mailing from wherever you are.

Aramex

Aramex is the main local courier service and will find you anywhere in the emirate.

Location: Ras Al Khaimah's main road, opposite Ras Al Khaimah Municipality

Phone: 07 228 2044

www.aramex.com

DHL

Phone: 07 227 7580

Empost

Main post office for all regular mail.

Location: Behind Ras Al Khaimah Central Post Office

Phone: 07 233 5190

www.empostuae.com

UPS

Location: GAC Building

Phone: 800 4774

www.ups.com

TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION

— TAXIS —

It's quite easy to catch taxis from major spots like malls. However, if you're in a less busy area and need a trip within Ras Al Khaimah, call a local taxi company. To book a taxi from anywhere in Ras Al Khaimah, simply dial 800 1700.

— RENTAL CARS —

These are just two of many rental car companies operating in Ras Al Khaimah. Companies usually require a credit card for renting a car.

Al Yamama Rent-A-Car



Location: Al Muntasir Road, Al Nakheel, opposite Centrepoint

Phone: 07 227 8882

Hertz**



Hertz offers daily, weekly, and monthly rentals.

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 243 4386

www.hertz.ae

Thrifty**

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 243 8911

www.thriftyuae.com

———— BUS SERVICES ————

If you don't have a car or don't feel like driving to Dubai, don't worry because the bus can get you there. The front seats in the buses are reserved for women traveling alone. Try to grab an express bus as some buses make more stops than others (up to 3 hours from Dubai to Ras Al Khaimah).

If you need to go to Abu Dhabi, there are no direct buses and you'll have to transfer in Dubai or Sharjah. If you're going to Abu Dhabi, try your best to get off in Sharjah. The Sharjah bus goes around Dubai and bypasses Dubai traffic.

Al Hamra Bus Services

Location: Opposite Cove Rotana Resort

Phone: 800 1700

Al Jazeera Bus Rental**

We recommend asking to speak to Shakeer, who offers competitive rates, is friendly, and is extremely reliable. This company is recommended for longer trips out of the emirate (e.g., airport drop-offs and pick-ups).

Location: Al Nakheel

Phone: 055 723 9009

———— AIR TRAVEL ————

The Ras Al Khaimah International Airport offers flights on Air Arabia to nearby destinations such as Muscat, Jeddah, and Islamabad. Air Arabia is the main airline operator at the Ras Al Khaimah International Airport.

Air Arabia

Location: Ras Al Khaimah International Airport

Phone: 06 508 8977

www.airarabia.com

Emirates Airlines

One of the world's top airline operators. Emirates operates mainly from Dubai's Terminal 3, which is a little over an hour's drive from Ras Al Khaimah. Emirates has one office in Ras Al Khaimah on Sheikh Muhammed bin Salem Road.

Phone: 600 555555

www.emirates.com

Ras Al Khaimah International Airport

Location: Digdaga Road

Phone: 07 207 5200

www.rakairport.com

TRAVEL AGENTS

Dnata

Location: Sony Building, Al Nakheel, near Gulf Cinema

Phone: 07 228 1427

www.dnatatravel.com

Ras Al Khaimah National Travel Agency (RANTA)**

RANTA staff are professional, helpful, and familiar with the Al Qasimi Foundation. They are also responsive to email and phone calls.

Location: Al Nakhla Bldg., Oman Road, Al Nakheel, Behind LuLu Center

Phone: 07 228 1536

CARGO & SHIPPING

If you are moving to or leaving Ras Al Khaimah, the below shipping companies can help with the easy and smooth transition you are looking for.

Crown Relocation (Dubai-based)**

They will come to Ras Al Khaimah to help you move.

Location: Dutco House, Itihad Road, Dubai

Phone: 04 230 5300

Global Relocation

Location: Dubai Investment Park- 1 - United Arab Emirates

Phone: 050 455 4011

Ruby Cargo**

Location: Dafan, Al Nakheel

Phone: 07 222 9088

www.rubycargo.com

EDUCATION

SCHOOLS

There are a number of private schools with multiple curricula being offered and designed to meet the educational needs of expatriate children.

GEMS Westminster School

Part of the GEMS school chain, the Westminster School in Ras Al Khaimah offers IGCSE courses and A Level Examinations.

Location: Seih Al Uraibi
Phone: 07 203 5999

Indian Public High School

Follows the Indian CBSE curriculum.

Location: Al Nakheel, opposite Ras Al Khaimah American Academy For Girls

Phone: 07 222 3124

Indian School Ras Al Khaimah

Follows the Indian CBSE curriculum.

Location: Al Mamourah, Al Nakheel
Phone: 07 228 8346

International School of Choueifat

Part of the school chain that originated in Choueifat, Lebanon, in 1886, this school follows a SABIS curriculum

Location: North Al Dhait
Phone: 07 228 8346

Ras Al Khaimah Academy**

Inaugurated in 1975, this coeducation K-12 school offers both IB and IGCSE curricula.

Location: Khuzam Road
Phone: 07 236 2441

Ras Al Khaimah American Academy for Girls

This school offers American and UAE curricula.

Location: Al Nakheel
Phone: 07 221 1462

Scholars Indian School

Founded in 1999, the Scholars Indian School follows the Indian CBSE curriculum.

Location: Al Seer, Al Nakheel
Phone: 07 222 7600

The WellSpring School

Founded in 2015, the Scholars Indian School follows the Indian CBSE curriculum.

Location: Dafan Al Khor, opposite RAK Academy Primary Schools
Phone: 07 236 2446

UNIVERSITIES

Ras Al Khaimah has a number of international branch campuses and local higher education institutions.

American University of Ras Al Khaimah



Location: Sheikh Saqr bin Khalid Road

Phone: 07 221 0900

www.aurak.ac.ae

Birla Institute of Technology

Location: Al Dhait

Phone: 07 235 9322

bitrak.ae

Ras Al Khaimah Medical & Health Sciences University

Location: Near Ras Al Khaimah Hospital

Phone: 07 226 9000

www.rakmhsu.com

Ras Al Khaimah Men's College

Location: Sultan Al Kabeer Road

Phone: 07 221 2999

www.hct.ac.ae/colleges/rkmc/

Ras Al Khaimah Women's College

Location: Sultan Al Kabeer Road, near Ras Al Khaimah American Academy for Girls

Phone: 07 202 6600

www.hct.ac.ae/colleges/rkwc/

University of Bolton



Location: Al Hudaiba-Barairat, opposite Higher Colleges of Technology

Phone: 07 221 1221

www.bolton.ac.uk/UAECampus/Home.aspx

FINANCIAL SERVICES

BANKS

Ensure your bank is able and willing to provide you with the appropriate forms you will need during tax season before opening an account. If you are an American citizen, we recommend banking with a large international bank, such as HSBC due to changes in the United States tax reporting system.

Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank

Location: Sabah Street

Phone: 07 205 1713

www.adcb.com

Abu Dhabi Islamic Bank

Location: Al Muntasir Road

Phone: 07 228 4448

www.adib.ae

Al Hilal Bank

Location: Al Muntasir Road

Phone: 800 666 666

www.alhilalbank.ae

Dubai Islamic Bank

Location: Al Muntasir Road

Phone: 07 228 4888

www.dib.ae

Emirates Islamic Bank

Location: Oman Road

Phone: 07 226 0044

www.emiratesislamicbank.ae

Emirates NBD Bank

Location: Near Al Muntasir Road and Al Mamourah Road, Al Khor Road

Phone: 600 540 000

www.emiratesnbd.com

HSBC Middle East Bank**

HSBC will provide Americans with the necessary forms during tax season.

Location: Al Qawasim Corniche Road

Phone: 600 554 722

www.hsbc.ae

Mashreq Bank

Location: Al Muntasir Road

Phone: 07 228 4748

www.mashreqbank.com

National Bank of Abu Dhabi

Location: Al Nakheel

Phone: 07 205 6800

www.nbad.com

RAK Bank**



Ras Al Khaimah has its own national bank, RAK Bank, where the government of Ras Al Khaimah holds a majority share. The bank provides retail and corporate banking services and has branches in major cities across the UAE.

Location: Head office, Oman Road

Phone: 07 228 1127

www.rakbank.com

United Arab Bank

Location: Al Muntasir Road

Phone: 07 228 8437

www.uab.ae

— CURRENCY EXCHANGE —

Because of the large number of expatriates living in Ras Al Khaimah, currency exchange centers are quite easy to find. Additionally, these exchanges may provide you much better rates for transferring money to your home country than a wire transfer directly from your bank. It's worth taking the time to check.

Al Ansari Exchange

Locations: Manar Mall and Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 227 7332, 07 243 4242

Lulu International Exchange

Locations: RAK Mall and Al Khuzam Mall

Phone: 07 227 7332
and 07 243 4242

UAE Exchange**



This is a reliable and competitive place to exchange money and has over 700 branches across the UAE and internationally, as far as Australia.

Locations: Oman Road, Al Jazeera Al Hamra, and Al Naeem City Center

Phone: 07 227 1066

www.uaexchange.com

GOVERNMENT OFFICES & SERVICES

EMBASSIES & CONSULATES

Please register with your embassy on arrival. You can generally do this on the embassy's website. They will update you regarding security issues and keep your information on file in case of an emergency.

Abu Dhabi, Foreign Embassies and Consulates

www.uaeinteract.com/travel/embassies.asp

Dubai, Foreign Consulates

www.uaeinteract.com/travel/con_dubai.asp

GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES

Chamber of Commerce

Location: Al Jaz'ah Road

Phone: 07 207 0222

www.rakchamber.ae

Department of Customs

Location: Electricity Road

Phone: 07 233 3733

www.rakcustoms.rak.ae

Department of Economic Development

Location: Al Jazah Road

Phone: 800 7333, 07 227 1444

www.ded.rak.ae

Environment Protection and Development Authority

Location: Al Nahdah Street

Phone: 07 233 3371

www.epda.rak.ae

General Authority of Islamic Affairs and Endowments

Location: Al Qawasim Corniche Road

Phone: 07 233 2329

www.awqaf.gov.ae

Lands Department

Location: Sidroh

Phone: 07 233 2610

www.landrak.com

Ministry of Public Works (Federal)

Phone: 07 205 2999

www.mopw.gov.ae

Public Works Department (Ras Al Khaimah)

Location: Khuzam Road, Al Turfah, near Tower Links Golf Club

Phone: 07 228 5688

Ras Al Khaimah Investment Authority

Location: Sidroh

Phone: 07 206 8666

www.rak-ia.com/en

Ras Al Khaimah Municipality Department

Location: Sidroh

Phone: 07 233 2422

www.rakmunicipality.ae

Ras Al Khaimah Tourism Development Authority

Location: Marjan Island

Phone: 07 233 8998

www.rasalkhaimahtourism.com

Ras Al Khaimah Transport Authority

Location: Sheikh Mouhammad bin Salem Road, opposite to Cove Rotana

Phone: 800 1700, 07 235 6567

rak.ae/en/web/rakportal/visitors-taxi

UTILITIES

The list below includes the major providers for gas, electricity, water, and internet in the emirate.

Al Barairat Gas

If you're living in a villa or apartment, you may need to contact the gas company when your stove starts to run low on gas.

Phone: 07 226 1316

Al Burairat

Location: Electricity (Federal Electricity & Water Authority)

Phone: 07 228 8444

FEWA

Location: Al Nakheel

Phone: 800 FEWA (3392)

www.fewa.gov.ae

Utico Electricity Water Emergency

Phone: 050 270 0245

REAL ESTATE

In contrast to many other places, renting a place in Ras Al Khaimah typically requires a year's rent to be paid up front.

Alif Holding, L.L.C.

Location: Office #2105, Julphar Towers

Phone: 07 233 8337 or
056 696 1070

Horizon Real Estate Services**

Location: Ittihad Road, Amenity Center, Tower 2, Office 4F-3

Phone: 050 487 4600

Hunt & Harris Real Estate

Location: Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 243 4005

Rainbow International Management**

Location: Ras Al Khaimah

Phone: 07 236 5833 or
052 842 0188

Ras Al Khaimah Properties

This company can help you rent or buy a home.

Location: Corniche Road

Phone: 07 228 4777

www.rakproperties.net/en/

Sultan Property

Location: Office #8, Al Hamra Village, Golf Building GH

Phone: 07 244 7672 or 050 392 6402

www.sultan-propertyre.com

PLACES OF WORSHIP

The below are a few of the many religious centers actively running in Ras Al Khaimah.

Jesus the Savior (JTS)

Services are held every Friday. Jesus the Savior services are Full Gospel and welcoming.

Denomination: Full Gospel

Location: Saint Luke's Church; the church complex is just beside the Guardian Glass Factory

Phone: 050 430 5120

stlukesrak.org

Mohammed bin Rashed Mosque

Location: Kuwaiti Street

Ras Al Khaimah Evangelical Church

Worship services take place on every Friday at 10:30 A.M.

Denomination: Evangelical

Location: Al Hamra Convention Center

Email: admin@rakchurch.com

www.rakchurch.com

Sheikh Zayed Masjid

This is likely the most prominent mosque in Ras Al Khaimah.

Location: Corniche Road

St. Anthony of Padua Church

This church opened in 2013 and offers services in Tagalog, English, and Malayalam.

Denomination: Catholic

Location: RAKIA Free Trade Zone

Phone: 07 222 2377

VETERINARIANS & PET SUPPLIES

Most of the big supermarkets in Ras Al Khaimah sell dry and wet food for dogs and cats. If you're looking to adopt, the RAK Animal Welfare Center has a well-respected cat and dog adoption center.

Al Siwan Veterinary

Location: Digdaga

Phone: 07 246 3038

Medical Veterinary Clinic

Location: Al Dhait, Ras Al Khaimah, near Kentucky Fried Chicken

Phone: 07 246 3038

Pets Oasis

Location: Near Al Hamra Mall, opposite Majan Printing, free standing purple building

Phone: 050 716 8410

RAK Animal Welfare Center**



This center has a veterinary clinic, boarding facility, and an adoption agency.

Location: Al Hamra, near aviation club

Phone: 050 487 3922

www.rakawc.com

The Village Vet**

Location: Behind Al Hamra Mall

Phone: 07 243 8080

OWNING A CAR

If you're looking to buy a brand new car, there are many car dealerships in Ras Al Khaimah. You'll need to show proof of your salary and have a no objection letter from your company. There are also quite a number of used cars on sale at any given time on Dubizzle.com (watch out for scams, though). Once you've gotten a car, you'll likely need to refer to the information below.

Salik



If you plan on driving in Dubai, be sure to purchase a Salik tag for your car from any gas station. Salik is similar to a toll pass in other countries. If you do not have a Salik pass on your car, you will be fined after passing through a gate.

Phone: 800-SALIK (72545)

www.salik.ae

Shamil Car Registering

Once you have purchased a car, you'll have to register it at Shamil Car Registering. Cars must pass an inspection, be insured, and have all the proper documentation.

Location: Sheikh Abdullah bin Mohamed Al Qasimi Road, near Saqr Hospital

Phone: 07 221 0901

Traffic & Licensing Department ("Muroor" in Arabic)



This is where you go to get your driver's license. Depending on your home country's driver's license, you may be able to pay a set fee here to have your license converted into an Emirati one. Otherwise, you will likely have to take the formal test. If this is your first time driving, you will need to sign up for classes. Driving academies are available across the emirate.

Location: Sheikh Muhammad bin Salem Road / E11

INSURANCE

There are numerous car insurers in Ras Al Khaimah. We recommend Oman Insurance.

Oman Insurance**



شركة عُمان للتأمين
Oman Insurance Company

Location: Sheikh Salim Al Khateriy Building, M2 & M3 (98-99), Al Jisr Road, near the bridge

Phone: 800 4746

www.tameen.ae

RAK Insurance



RAK INSURANCE

Location: Al Jazah Road

Phone: 800 7254

www.rakinsurance.com

HELPFUL LOCAL PHRASES

Greetings

Hello, welcome.	Ahlan, marhaba.
Hi.	Salam.
Good morning.	Sabah al khayr.
Response to good morning	Sabah an noor.
Good afternoon/evening.	Masaa al khayr.
Good night.	Tesbah ala khayr (male)/Tesbahi ala khayr (female).
Good bye.	Ma'a salama.
How are you?	Kayf halak? (male)/Kayf halik? (female)
I'm fine, and you?	Ana bekhayr, wa enta? (male)/Ana bekhayr, wa enti? (female)
Thank you (very much).	Shukran (jazeeraan).
You're welcome.	Afwan.
I missed you so much.	Eshta'at elak (male)/elik (female) kateer.

Personal Information

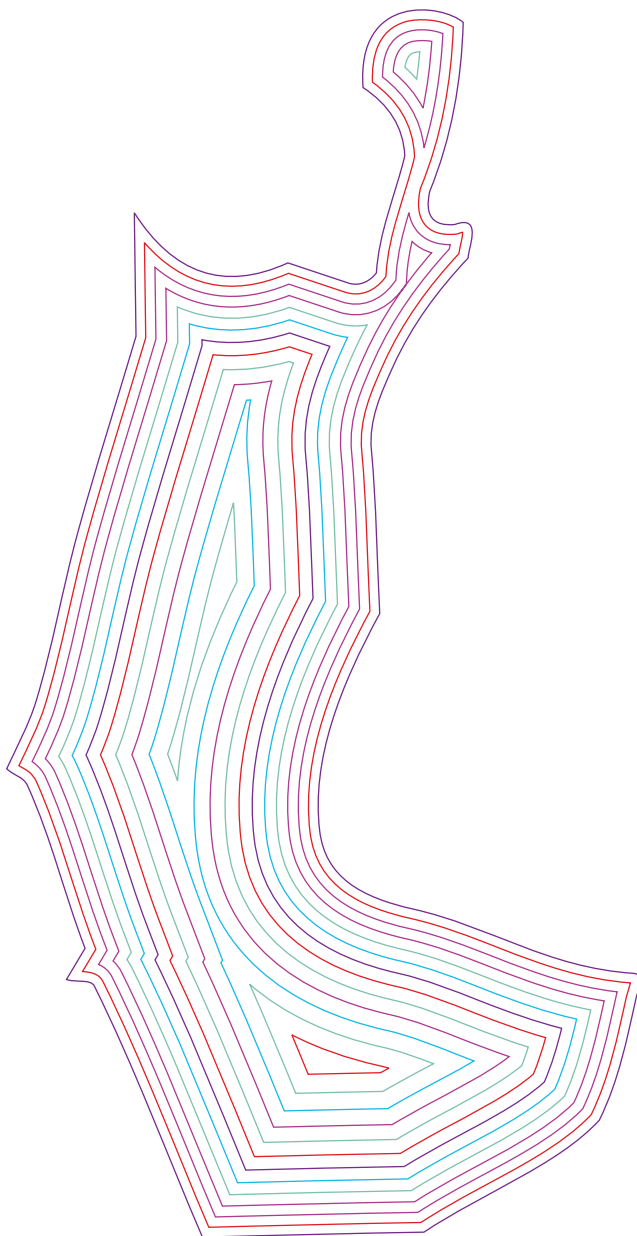
Do you speak (English/Arabic)?	Betitkalam (Engleezy/Arabiyy)?
Just a little.	Shwaya.
Yes, very well.	Na'am, wayed.
What's your name?	Shu ismak? (male)/Shu ismik? (female)
My name is...	Ismee...
Where are you from?	Min wayn inta? (male)/inti? (female)
I'm from (the U.S/England).	Ana min (Amreeka/Breetania).
Where do you live?	Wayn tiskun? (male)/tiskuni? (female)
I live in...	Askun fi...
What do you do? (as a job)	Shu tishtaghl? (male)/tishtaghli? (fem.)
I work as (a teacher).	Ashtaghl (mudaaris/mudaarisa).
How old are you?	Kam 'omrak? (male)/'omrik? (female)
I'm (twenty, thirty) years old.	Ana (eshreen/thalatheen) sanah.

Help & Directions

Can I help you? (Literally, "Welcome?")	Tafadhal?
Can you help me? (Literally, "Excuse me.")	Law samaht?
Is John here?	John mawjood?
One moment, please.	Sabbr shway./Lahdha shway.
How much?	Kam?
Come with me. (Literally, "Welcome.")	Tafadhal.

Expressions & Other Phrases

Good/so-so	Jayed/'adee
Big/small	Kabeer/sagheer
Today/now	Al yawm/al aan
Tomorrow/yesterday	Ghadan/umbareh
Yes/no	Na'am/laa
Of course	Tab'an
No problem	Maafi mushkila
What? Where? How?	Shu? Wayn? Kayf?
Me/You/Him/Her	Ana/anta (male), anti (female)/huwa/hiya
What is the time?	Kam assa'a?
I'm (Muslim/Christian).	Ana (muslim/maseehi, muslima/maseehiya).
Not yet	Lissa
Give me...	A'tenee...
Congratulations.	Mabrook.



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