Hurghada Travel Guide

Hurghada: Egypt's Red Sea Coastal Paradise

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Things to do in Hurghada

Beaches & Coastal Areas

Hurghada is renowned for its stunning Red Sea beaches with crystal-clear waters, golden sands, and exceptional opportunities for water sports and marine exploration.



Must See Book Ahead

Giftun Islands

8 hours Book Ahead

Map

Twin islands offering pristine beaches, **exceptional snorkeling**, and opportunities to spot dolphins and sea turtles. The clear waters and rich coral reefs make it ideal for both beginners and experienced divers. Day trips include lunch and water sports facilities.



Must See Book Ahead

Hurghada Marine National Park

6 hours Book Ahead

Map

Protected marine reserve featuring **pristine coral reefs** and diverse sea life. Offers guided snorkeling tours with experienced naturalists who explain the ecosystem and conservation efforts. Multiple dive sites within the park cater to all levels.



Must See Book Ahead

Red Sea Reef Snorkeling Tour

7 hours Book Ahead

Map

Small group or private snorkeling expeditions to multiple reef sites with professional guides. Access pristine coral formations, encounter tropical fish species, and learn about reef ecology. Equipment provided, suitable for beginners.



Top Pick

Hurghada Downtown Beach (El Dahar)

4 hours No Booking Needed

Map

The main public beach in Hurghada's historic center, featuring golden sand, **warm shallow waters**, and numerous beachfront restaurants and cafes. Popular with families and offers direct access to the town's shopping and dining district.



Top Pick Book Ahead

Abu Ramada Diving Site

6 hours Book Ahead

Map

Renowned diving location featuring **vibrant coral gardens**, abundant marine life including reef fish, rays, and occasional sharks. Suitable for intermediate to advanced divers with strong currents and depths up to 40 meters.



Top Pick Book Ahead

Dolphin Watching Cruise

4 hours Book Ahead

Map

Guided boat tours offering opportunities to see **spinner dolphins** in their natural habitat. Tours operate early morning or late afternoon with onboard refreshments. High success rate for dolphin sightings, especially from June to August.



Top Pick Book Ahead

Desert Safari & Bedouin Experience

5 hours Book Ahead

Map

Off-road excursions into the Eastern Desert featuring **quad biking** or 4x4 vehicle tours. Includes visits to Bedouin camps, camel rides, traditional meal preparation, and sunset views. Opportunities to learn about desert ecology and local culture.



Notable

Windsurfing Beach

3 hours No Booking Needed

Map

Popular destination for windsurfing and kitesurfing with consistent winds and shallow waters ideal for lessons. Professional instructors and equipment rental available year-round.

Tips for Beaches & Coastal Areas

- Wear reef-safe sunscreen to protect marine ecosystems
- Best visibility for diving/snorkeling in morning hours
- Book excursions in advance during peak season (November-March)
- Bring waterproof camera for underwater photography
- Water temperature: 24-29°C year-round

- Marine life is most active during cooler months (October-April)
- Respect wildlife and maintain safe distances
- Bring underwater photography equipment for memorable shots
- Tours include experienced guides knowledgeable about marine biology
- Pack binoculars for dolphin and whale watching

Ancient & Historical Sites

Discover Hurghada's history spanning from ancient Egyptian periods to modern coastal development, with museums and archaeological perspectives throughout the city.



Top Pick

Hurghada Museum

2 hours No Booking Needed

Map

Comprehensive museum displaying **Egyptian artifacts** spanning from the pharaonic period through Islamic era. The museum presents about 2,000 artifacts spanning ancient Egyptian, Greco-Roman, Jewish, Christian, Islamic, and modern eras, around the theme of beauty in Egypt. Well-curated exhibits with informative displays explaining Red Sea's historical trade importance.



Top Pick

Hurghada Grand Aquarium

2 hours No Booking Needed

Map

Modern facility combining aquatic life display. **The aquarium features Red Sea aquatic life, marine tunnels, fossils, a rainforest section, and a mini zoo. Interactive displays and educational programs for families.**



Notable

El Dahar Old Town

3 hours No Booking Needed

Map

Historic district preserving **early 20th-century architecture** and traditional Egyptian layout. Wander narrow streets, visit local souks, experience authentic culture away from resort areas. Genuine local atmosphere with traditional cafes and shops.

Tips for Ancient & Historical Sites

- Museum visit best in morning to avoid crowds
- Respect dress codes when visiting religious sites
- Photography permitted in most museums but check before shooting
- English-speaking guides available; booking recommended
- Desert monasteries require advance tour arrangement

Food & Dining

Hurghada offers diverse dining options from casual beachfront shacks to upscale restaurants, showcasing Egyptian, Mediterranean, and international cuisine.



Meat And Mood★★★★★ 4.9 (631)

1-2 hours

Map

Meat And Mood is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.9★ from 631 reviews. Located at Marina, Hurghada 1, Red Sea Governorate 84511, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM



Sky restaurant★★★★★ 4.9 (3,462)

1-2 hours

Map

Sky restaurant is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.9★ from 3462 reviews. Located at Unnamed Road, الغردقة، البحر الأحمر،،، قسم أول الغردقة، محافظة البحر الأحمر 1962522, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 6:30 PM – 1:00 AM
- Tuesday: 6:30 PM – 1:00 AM
- Wednesday: 6:30 PM – 1:00 AM
- Thursday: 6:30 PM – 1:00 AM
- Friday: 6:30 PM – 1:00 AM
- Saturday: 6:30 PM – 1:00 AM
- Sunday: 6:30 PM – 1:00 AM



Syake Sushi Hurghada★★★★★ 4.9 (3,731)

1-2 hours

Map

Syake Sushi Hurghada is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.9★ from 3731 reviews. Located at 5RXR+43C, Elhadaba Rd, Hurghada 1, Red Sea Governorate 1963509, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 12:00 PM – 1:00 AM
- Tuesday: 12:00 PM – 1:00 AM
- Wednesday: 12:00 PM – 1:00 AM
- Thursday: 12:00 PM – 1:00 AM
- Friday: 12:00 PM – 1:00 AM
- Saturday: 12:00 PM – 1:00 AM
- Sunday: 12:00 PM – 1:00 AM



Gaucho Steak House★★★★★ 4.8 (2,775)

1-2 hours

Map

Gaucho Steak House is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.8★ from 2775 reviews. Located at Siva Mall, El Mamsha, Touristic Villages, Hurghada 1, Red Sea Governorate 1962806, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 3:30 PM – 1:00 AM
- Tuesday: 3:30 PM – 1:00 AM
- Wednesday: 3:30 PM – 1:00 AM
- Thursday: 3:30 PM – 1:00 AM
- Friday: 3:30 PM – 1:00 AM
- Saturday: 3:30 PM – 1:00 AM
- Sunday: 3:30 PM – 1:00 AM



Nicole‘s Greenhouse★★★★★ 4.8 (314)

1-2 hours

Map

Nicole‘s Greenhouse is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.8★ from 314 reviews. Located at CM2F+35, Hurghada 2, Red Sea Governorate 1982710, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 7:30 AM – 10:30 PM
- Tuesday: 7:30 AM – 10:30 PM
- Wednesday: 7:30 AM – 10:30 PM
- Thursday: 7:30 AM – 10:30 PM
- Friday: 7:30 AM – 10:30 PM
- Saturday: 7:30 AM – 10:30 PM
- Sunday: 7:30 AM – 10:30 PM



La Cantina Restaurant and Bar★★★★★ 4.8 (3,432)

1-2 hours

Map

La Cantina Restaurant and Bar is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.8★ from 3432 reviews. Located at Marina Boulevard, Hurghada 1, Red Sea Governorate 84511, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Tuesday: 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Wednesday: 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Thursday: 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Friday: 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Saturday: 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Sunday: 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM



Vanille Bar & Restaurant★★★★★ 4.8 (936)

1-2 hours

Map

Vanille Bar & Restaurant is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.8★ from 936 reviews. Located at New Marina Sakalla, Hurghada, Red Sea Governorate 84511, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM



Bitonto Ristorante Hurghada★★★★★ 4.8 (664)

1-2 hours

Map

Bitonto Ristorante Hurghada is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.8★ from 664 reviews. Located at Elmohamadi Hweidak square, Inside aldau village mall, قسم أول الغردقة، محافظة البحر الأحمر 1963402, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 4:00 PM – 1:00 AM
- Tuesday: 4:00 PM – 1:00 AM
- Wednesday: 4:00 PM – 1:00 AM
- Thursday: 4:00 PM – 1:00 AM
- Friday: 4:00 PM – 1:00 AM
- Saturday: 4:00 PM – 1:00 AM
- Sunday: 4:00 PM – 1:00 AM



Moby Dick Restaurant, Aldau Promenade, Steigenberger pure lifestyle

★★★★★ 4.8 (532)

1-2 hours

Map

Moby Dick Restaurant, Aldau Promenade, Steigenberger pure lifestyle is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.8★ from 532 reviews. Located at Youssef Affifi Road, Touristic Villages, Hurghada 1, Red Sea Governorate 1962610, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 3:00 – 11:00 PM
- Tuesday: 3:00 – 11:00 PM
- Wednesday: 3:00 – 11:00 PM
- Thursday: 3:00 – 11:00 PM
- Friday: 3:00 – 11:00 PM
- Saturday: Open 24 hours
- Sunday: 3:00 – 11:00 PM



Lophelia Seafood Restaurant★★★★★ 4.8 (366)

1-2 hours

Map

Lophelia Seafood Restaurant is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.8★ from 366 reviews. Located at Hilton Hurghada, Plaza Gabal El Hareem Street, Hurghada 2, Red Sea Governorate 84511, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 6:00 – 10:00 PM
- Tuesday: 6:00 – 10:00 PM
- Wednesday: 6:00 – 10:00 PM
- Thursday: 6:00 – 10:00 PM
- Friday: 6:00 – 10:00 PM
- Saturday: 6:00 – 10:00 PM
- Sunday: 6:00 – 10:00 PM



Grill House Restaurant & Cafe★★★★★ 4.8 (2,702)

1-2 hours

Map

Grill House Restaurant & Cafe is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.8★ from 2702 reviews. Located at طريق الشيراتون القديم، Hurghada, Red Sea Governorate 1964314, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 8:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Tuesday: 8:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Wednesday: 8:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Thursday: 8:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Friday: 8:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Saturday: 8:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Sunday: 8:00 AM – 1:00 AM



Grill & Chill★★★★★ 4.7 (1,209)

1-2 hours

Map

Grill & Chill is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.7★ from 1209 reviews. Located at 6RGR+QGH New Marina, Hurghada 1, Red Sea Governorate 1965321, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Tuesday: 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Wednesday: 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Thursday: 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Friday: 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Saturday: 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Sunday: 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM



Moby Dick Restaurant★★★★★ 4.7 (3,322)

1-2 hours

Map

Moby Dick Restaurant is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.7★ from 3322 reviews. Located at 6RCQ+627 6RCQ+627، الفندق، قسم أول الغردقة، البحر الأحمر 1965111، hurghada، Red Sea Governorate 84511, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 2:30 PM – 12:00 AM
- Tuesday: 2:30 PM – 12:00 AM
- Wednesday: 2:30 PM – 12:00 AM
- Thursday: 2:30 PM – 12:00 AM
- Friday: 2:30 PM – 12:00 AM
- Saturday: 2:30 PM – 12:00 AM
- Sunday: 2:30 PM – 12:00 AM



The Blues Restaurant & Bar★★★★★ 4.7 (445)

1-2 hours

Map

The Blues Restaurant & Bar is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.7★ from 445 reviews. Located at Marina, Hurghada 1, Red Sea Governorate 00000, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM



Solo Restaurant & Lounge - Soho Square Hurghada City center★★★★★ 4.7 (818)

1-2 hours

Map

Solo Restaurant & Lounge - Soho Square Hurghada City center is a highly-rated restaurant in Hurghada, rated 4.7★ from 818 reviews. Located at center, Hurghada 2, Red Sea Governorate 1973516, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Tuesday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Wednesday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Thursday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Friday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Saturday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Sunday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM



Top Pick

Fish Market & Casual Seafood Restaurants

2 hours No Booking Needed

Map

Daily fresh catch at affordable prices. Select your fish and choose preparation style at casual waterfront establishments. **Authentic local experience** with outdoor seating, authentic atmosphere, and incredibly fresh seafood.



Top Pick

Traditional Egyptian Restaurants

1.5 hours No Booking Needed

Map

Family-run establishments serving **authentic Egyptian dishes**: koshari, ful medames, molokhia, tagines. Often located in El Dahar district, these restaurants offer genuine local flavor at budget-friendly prices with warm hospitality.



Notable

Beachfront Sunset Dining

3 hours Book Ahead

Map

Upscale and mid-range restaurants offering **panoramic Red Sea views** with sunset dining experience. Menus feature Mediterranean and international cuisine alongside Egyptian specialties. Perfect for special occasions.

Tips for Food & Dining

- Lunch is typically 1-3 PM, dinner starts late (8 PM+)
- Fresh seafood is best value at local markets vs. tourist restaurants
- Haggling is expected at casual eateries; prices very negotiable
- Try local specialties: grilled hammour, shawarma, fresh juices
- Tap water is generally unsafe; drink bottled water

Shopping & Markets

Explore traditional souks, modern shopping centers, and local artisan crafts throughout Hurghada for souvenirs and authentic Egyptian goods.



Top Pick

El Dahar Souk

3 hours No Booking Needed

Map

Historic marketplace in the old town offering **authentic shopping experience**. Browse spices, textiles, souvenirs, traditional crafts, jewelry, and clothing. Expect to haggle; prices are negotiable. Experience genuine local commerce and culture.



Notable

Red Sea Mall

3 hours No Booking Needed

Map

Modern shopping center featuring **international brands**, Egyptian designers, restaurants, cinema, and entertainment facilities. Air-conditioned comfort with diverse product selection catering to all budgets.

Tips for Shopping & Markets

- Souk shopping is best in morning before afternoon heat
- Bargaining is expected at traditional markets; start at 50% of asking price
- Avoid high-pressure tactics; walk away if uncomfortable
- Check quality and authenticity of souvenirs before purchasing
- Credit cards accepted at modern malls; cash needed for souks

Nightlife & Entertainment

Hurghada offers vibrant nightlife with beach clubs, nightclubs, cultural shows, and entertainment venues suited for diverse preferences and ages.



Top Pick Book Ahead

Belly Dancing & Folklore Shows

2 hours Book Ahead

Map

Traditional Egyptian entertainment featuring **professional performers** in cultural costumes. Performances showcase belly dancing, folkloric music, and storytelling. Dinner shows available at resort venues and dedicated performance halls.



Top Pick Book Ahead

Sunset Cruise & Evening Entertainment

4 hours Book Ahead

Map

Boat excursions departing late afternoon, featuring **sunset views**, live music, dinner, and dancing on deck. Mix of local tourists and international visitors. Creates memorable evening experience with Red Sea backdrop.



Notable

Beachfront Nightclubs & Bars

4 hours No Booking Needed

Map

Popular venues with **live DJ entertainment**, themed parties, international music, and signature cocktails. Most venues feature oceanfront settings, dance floors, and social atmosphere. Busiest nights are Thursday-Saturday.

Tips for Nightlife & Entertainment

- Nightclubs and bars open late (9 PM-4 AM)
- Dress code: smart casual for upscale venues
- Alcoholic beverages not allowed outside designated venues (Islamic law)
- Book dinner shows in advance during peak season
- Solo female travelers advised to stay in groups or use hotel arrangements

Tours & Activities

Hurghada is an adventure destination offering water sports, fitness activities, and outdoor experiences for thrill-seekers and active travelers.



Must See Book Ahead

Scuba Diving Certification Courses

3-4 days Book Ahead

Professional diving schools offering **PADI certification** programs from beginner (Open Water) to advanced levels. Courses conducted in Red Sea with experienced instructors. Equipment provided; multiple daily schedules available.



Top Pick

Parasailing & Jet Skiing

2 hours No Booking Needed

Adrenaline-pumping water sports available at main beaches. Parasailing offers aerial views of coastline and marine life. Jet skis available for hourly rental. Safety equipment and trained operators provided.



Top Pick Book Ahead

Kiteboarding & Windsurfing School

3-4 hours Book Ahead

Professional instruction in **kiteboarding and windsurfing** suitable for all levels. Lessons conducted at designated beach areas with consistent wind conditions. Equipment rental and certification available.



Top Pick Book Ahead

Desert Quad Biking & 4x4 Tours

5 hours Book Ahead

Off-road adventures exploring Eastern Desert terrain. **Self-drive quad bikes** or guided 4x4 vehicle tours available. Experience desert landscape, visit Bedouin camps, enjoy star-watching. Suitable for beginners to experienced riders.

Tips for Tours & Activities

- Book water sports in advance, especially during peak season
- Wear protective gear and follow safety instructions carefully
- Best time for water sports: early morning (fewer crowds, better conditions)
- Underwater photography gear recommended for diving activities
- Hydration essential; bring water for all outdoor activities

With Kids

Hurghada caters to families and those seeking relaxation with kids' clubs, spa facilities, and calm beach areas suitable for all ages.



Top Pick Book Ahead

All-Inclusive Resort Facilities

varies Book Ahead

Map

Major resorts offer **comprehensive family amenities**: kids' clubs, animation programs, multiple pools, water slides, dining venues, spa services, and entertainment. All-inclusive packages provide convenience with meals and activities included.



Notable

Spa & Wellness Centers

2 hours Book Ahead

Map

Full-service spas providing **therapeutic treatments**: massage, facials, body wraps, steam rooms. Many located within hotels. Skilled therapists offer traditional Egyptian and international wellness treatments.



Notable

Aqua Park & Water Fun Centers

4 hours No Booking Needed

Map

Family entertainment facilities with **water slides**, wave pools, lazy rivers, and swimming areas. Safe, supervised environment ideal for children. Snack facilities and shade areas available.

Tips for With Kids

- Resort kids' clubs offer supervised activities and entertainment
- SPF 50+ sunscreen essential for children (reapply frequently)
- Quiet beach areas less crowded in mornings
- Book spa treatments early; popular slots fill quickly
- Water quality excellent; swimming safe for families

Beach Bars

Real, highly-rated Beach Bars in Hurghada, sourced from Google Places (rating above 4★).



Sunrise Garden Beach Strandbar★★★★★ 5 (23)

1-2 hours

Map

Sunrise Garden Beach Strandbar is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 5★ from 23 reviews. Located at 4R2J+RM, ق مسأول, Red Sea Governorate 1962204, Egypt.



Chiringuito Beach bar★★★★★ 4.9 (52)

1-2 hours

Map

Chiringuito Beach bar is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 4.9★ from 52 reviews. Located at 4R2J+XM, Hurghada 1, Red Sea Governorate 1962204, Egypt.



Beach Bar Titanic★★★★★ 4.9 (23)

1-2 hours

Map

Beach Bar Titanic is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 4.9★ from 23 reviews. Located at 3VR2+VG, Hurghada 1, Red Sea Governorate 1961702, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- Tuesday: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- Wednesday: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- Thursday: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- Friday: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- Saturday: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- Sunday: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM



Oasis Bar★★★★★ 4.9 (31)

1-2 hours

Map

Oasis Bar is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 4.9★ from 31 reviews. Located at 4R3J+6P, قسم أول الغردقة،، Red Sea Governorate 1962205, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Tuesday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Wednesday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Thursday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Friday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Saturday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Sunday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM



Tropicana Bar★★★★★ 4.9 (63)

1-2 hours

Map

Tropicana Bar is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 4.9★ from 63 reviews. Located at Village Road - Desert Rose Resort،, قسم أول الغردقة، محافظة البحر الأحمر 1962201, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM



SUNSET BAR★★★★★ 4.8 (115)

1-2 hours

Map

SUNSET BAR is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 4.8★ from 115 reviews. Located at 3RXQ+X24, Unnamed Road, Touristic Villages, Hurghada 1, Red Sea Governorate 1962201, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM



SUNRISE Pool Bar★★★★★ 4.8 (51)

1-2 hours

Map

SUNRISE Pool Bar is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 4.8★ from 51 reviews. Located at Safaga road، Egypt، Hurghada, Red Sea Governorate 1962205, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Tuesday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Wednesday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Thursday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Friday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Saturday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Sunday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

SAND BAR★★★★★ 4.8 (26)

1-2 hours

Map

SAND BAR is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 4.8★ from 26 reviews. Located at The Desert Rose Resort - Safaga Road Hurghada KM 16 Hurghada،, الغردقة، محافظة البحر الأحمر 1962201, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- Tuesday: 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- Wednesday: 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- Thursday: 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- Friday: 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- Saturday: 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- Sunday: 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM



Vanille Bar & Restaurant★★★★★ 4.8 (936)

1-2 hours

Map

Vanille Bar & Restaurant is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 4.8★ from 936 reviews. Located at New Marina Sakalla, Hurghada, Red Sea Governorate 84511, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM



Luca's Pub & Grub★★★★★ 4.8 (893)

1-2 hours

Map

Luca's Pub & Grub is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 4.8★ from 893 reviews. Located at Hurghada Marina A6، Hurghada 1, Red Sea Governorate 1965321, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 12:00 PM – 12:00 AM
- Tuesday: 12:00 PM – 12:00 AM
- Wednesday: 12:00 PM – 12:00 AM
- Thursday: 12:00 PM – 12:00 AM
- Friday: 12:00 PM – 12:00 AM
- Saturday: 12:00 PM – 12:00 AM
- Sunday: 12:00 PM – 12:00 AM



Splash beach bar★★★★★ 4.7 (45)

1-2 hours

Map

Splash beach bar is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 4.7★ from 45 reviews. Located at 4RCH+F69, Unnamed Road, Touristic Villages, Hurghada 1, Red Sea Governorate 1962215, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM
- Tuesday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM
- Wednesday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM
- Thursday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM
- Friday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM
- Saturday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM
- Sunday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM



Bella Vista Bar★★★★★ 4.7 (300)

1-2 hours

Map

Bella Vista Bar is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 4.7★ from 300 reviews. Located at The Desert Rose resort - Safaga Road Hurghada KM 16 Hurghada، Hurghada, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Tuesday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Wednesday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Thursday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Friday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Saturday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Sunday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM



Paradiso Beach Bar★★★★★ 4.7 (712)

1-2 hours

Map

Paradiso Beach Bar is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 4.7★ from 712 reviews. Located at 3RVX+JJ, Hurghada 1, Red Sea Governorate 1961703, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM
- Tuesday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM
- Wednesday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM
- Thursday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM
- Friday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM
- Saturday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM
- Sunday: 12:00 – 5:00 PM



The Blues Restaurant & Bar★★★★★ 4.7 (445)

1-2 hours

Map

The Blues Restaurant & Bar is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 4.7★ from 445 reviews. Located at Marina, Hurghada 1, Red Sea Governorate 00000, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM



Aqua Bar in Jungle Aqua Park★★★★★ 4.7 (176)

1-2 hours

Map

Aqua Bar in Jungle Aqua Park is a highly-rated beach bar in Hurghada, rated 4.7★ from 176 reviews. Located at Unnamed Road, قسم أول الغردقة، محافظة البحر الأحمر 1961510, Egypt.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Tuesday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Wednesday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Thursday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Friday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Saturday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Sunday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Practical Information

Seasonal Guide

October-April is optimal with temperatures 20-28°C, low rainfall, and clear skies. This period offers comfortable weather for diving and outdoor activities with excellent underwater visibility.

May-September brings heat (30-40°C), occasional rough seas, and occasional dust storms. However, water temperature peaks (29°C) and prices drop significantly. Humidity can be high. Marine life abundance increases June-August.

Month	Temp (°C)	Water Temp (°C)	Rating
Oct-Nov	25-30	27-28	★★★★★
Dec-Feb	20-25	24-25	★★★★★
Mar-Apr	25-32	25-27	★★★★☆
May-Sep	32-40	27-29	★★★☆☆

Getting There

International Flight: Hurghada International Airport (HRG) receives direct flights from Europe, Gulf countries, and Cairo. About 450 km from Cairo by road (around 5-6 hours).

From Cairo: Flights (1.5 hours, multiple daily) or overnight buses (10-12 hours). Domestic airlines: EgyptAir, Air Cairo. Buses: Go Bus, Super Jet available.

Local Transportation

- **Taxis:** Abundant, affordable, negotiate fare beforehand. Standard meter system in some vehicles. White taxis with meter preferred.
- **Microbuses:** Cheap local transport between districts; crowded, authentic local experience.
- **Car Rental:** Available at airport and downtown; international license required. Roads generally good condition.
- **Bicycles/Scooters:** Rentals available; useful for resort areas and short distances.
- **Walking:** El Dahar old town and beachfront areas walkable; intense heat midday.

✈ Airport Transfer

Hurghada International Airport (HRG) to city center:

- **Taxi:** Metered or negotiated taxi to Hurghada city center takes about 20 minutes and at a fare to agree first
- **Private transfer:** Pre-booked private car or minivan to hotels in El Gouna or Sahl Hasheesh takes 20-45 minutes and at a price to confirm when booking
- **Hotel shuttle bus:** Many resorts run scheduled shuttle buses from the airport, typically 20-40 minutes and included or charged separately
- **Uber lists rides to and from HRG; check the app for available options, pickup directions, and the current fare. The operator gives no fixed fare, and availability may vary, around 15-30 minutes to central Hurghada at the price shown in the app**

What to Buy

- **Spices & Herbs:** Saffron, cumin, paprika, Egyptian blends in traditional markets
- **Textiles & Clothing:** Gallabiya (traditional robes), scarves, cotton fabrics, embroidered items
- **Souvenirs:** Papyrus paintings, alabaster figurines, brass items, Egyptian perfumes
- **Jewelry:** Cartouche necklaces, gold, silver, turquoise pieces
- **Handicrafts:** Leather items, beaded sandals, pottery, woven baskets
- **Seafood:** Dried fish, bottled sea salt for souvenirs

Shopping Tips

Souks: Price haggling is expected and enjoyable; offers typically start at 30-50% of asking price. Build rapport; accept tea while negotiating. Best bargains achieved 3-4 PM when vendor fatigue sets in.

Modern Malls: Fixed prices; no haggling. Higher cost than souks but guaranteed authenticity and quality. Payment options: cash and credit cards.

Currency: Egyptian Pound (EGP); USD accepted at tourist areas. ATMs widely available. Visa/Mastercard accepted at most establishments.

Annual Events & Celebrations

- **Islamic Holidays:** Ramadan (month-long fasting), Eid al-Fitr (3 days), Eid al-Adha (4 days). Modified schedules at restaurants/shops; less crowded resorts. Dates vary annually per lunar calendar.
- **Egyptian National Holidays:** Revolution Day (January 25), Sinai Liberation Day (April 25), Egyptian Armed Forces Day (October 6). Parades and celebrations in downtown areas.
- **The November 2026 El Gouna Half Marathon is a separately named event in El Gouna, about 25 km from Hurghada.**
- **Red Sea Festival:** Seasonal beach festivals with music, food, cultural performances (dates vary).

- **International Film Festival:** Occasional screenings and cultural events at resort venues.

Note: During Ramadan, dining and entertainment schedules change significantly; daytime eating not observed publicly out of respect.

Sample Day Itineraries

Day 1: Snorkeling & Beach Relaxation

Start 7 AM with hotel breakfast. 8 AM: Join group snorkeling tour to nearby reefs (4-5 hours including equipment, guide, refreshments). Return 1 PM; lunch at beachfront restaurant. 3-5 PM: Relax on beach, swim. Evening: Dinner at casual seafood restaurant in El Dahar. Sunset drinks at beachfront bar.

Day 2: Desert Adventure

7 AM early breakfast. 9 AM: Desert safari starts with quad biking through dunes or 4x4 tour. 11 AM: Visit Bedouin camp, camel ride, traditional lunch. 3 PM: Return to city, rest at resort. 6 PM: Sunset cruise departs with dinner and entertainment. Midnight: Return to hotel.

Day 3: Cultural Immersion

9 AM: Visit Hurghada Museum, learn Egyptian history (2 hours). 11:30 AM: Explore El Dahar old town, browse souk markets, lunch at authentic restaurant. 2 PM: Siesta at hotel. 5 PM: Taxi to Monastery of St. Paul (requires guided tour). Evening: Early dinner, explore downtown entertainment.

Day 4: Deep Diving Experience

For certified divers: 6:30 AM breakfast, 7:30 AM join dive boat to Abu Ramada site (professional guide, 2 dives, 6 hours total). Afternoon: Rest, hydrate, decompress. Evening: Casual dinner, relaxation. For non-divers: Morning boat tour of protected marine park with snorkeling and marine education.

Day 5: Leisure & Preparation

Morning: Spa treatment or massage (2 hours). Late morning: Final beach time, photograph sunset. Lunch at favorite restaurant. Afternoon: Shopping at Red Sea Mall or souk for last-minute souvenirs. Evening: Special dinner reservations, pack for departure.

Instagram & Photography Locations

Sunset Photography

- **Downtown Beach (El Dahar):** 5-6:30 PM captures golden hour with city skyline, crowds diminish, warm light on sand and water
- **Giftun Islands:** Golden hour from boat reveals crystal-clear waters, colorful boats, vibrant island landscapes
- **Beachfront Promenade:** Tree-lined paths with sunset backdrop, architectural elements, local vendors

Underwater Photography

- **Coral Reefs:** Morning 8-10 AM offers best visibility, vibrant fish colors, intricate coral formations
- **Giftun Islands Snorkeling:** Shallow reefs ideal for snorkel photography, colorful fish, clear water
- **Desert Monastery:** Morning light emphasizes architecture, desert landscape, atmospheric religious site

Daytime Moments

- **Souk Markets:** Morning hours (7-10 AM) show vendors, colorful spices, authentic activities, natural lighting
- **Beach Scenes:** Parasailing, jet skis, swimmers create dynamic compositions 10 AM-2 PM
- **Desert Safari:** Golden hour in desert creates dramatic shadows on dunes, silhouettes of camels/riders

Pro Tips

Bring waterproof camera/housing for underwater shots. Early morning golden hour (6:30-7:30 AM) and late afternoon (4:30-6 PM) provide optimal lighting. Midday 12-3 PM light harsh; avoid overhead sun. During Ramadan, evening

atmosphere unique with decorated streets and lanterns. Blue hour photography (dusk 6:30-7:30 PM) captures twilight resort illumination beautifully.

Electrical Standards

Voltage: 220V, 50 Hz (consistent throughout Egypt)

Plug Types: Primarily Type C (European 2-pin round plugs) and Type F (German/Swiss 2-pin round plugs). Some older buildings use British Type G (3-pin rectangular) plugs.

Travel Adapters

Universal adapters recommended as outlets vary. Most hotels provide adapter services at front desk. USB charging ports increasingly common in modern facilities and resorts.

Power Considerations

- **Reliability:** Generally stable; occasional brief outages in older areas. Resorts have backup generators.
- **Surges:** Use power strips with surge protection for sensitive electronics
- **USB Chargers:** Bring USB power adapter; USB outlets limited
- **Voltage Converter:** Most modern devices auto-convert 110-240V; check device specs before use
- **Backup Power:** Power banks recommended for outdoor/beach activities

Must-Try Egyptian Dishes

- **Koshari:** Lentils, rice, pasta, tomato sauce with vinegar. National dish, affordable, ubiquitous street food.
- **Ful Medames:** Fava bean stew with garlic, lemon, olive oil. Traditional breakfast staple.
- **Molokhia:** Leafy greens soup served over rice, unique Egyptian flavor.
- **Grilled Hammour:** Red Sea white fish, flame-grilled, served with fresh lemon and sides.
- **Shawarma:** Spiced meat (chicken/lamb) wrapped in pita with tomatoes and sauce.
- **Ta'ameya:** Fried fava bean patties, Egyptian falafels, crispy exterior.
- **Basboosa:** Coconut or semolina cake topped with almonds, sweet and aromatic.

Seafood Specialties

Red Sea cuisine emphasizes fresh catch: grilled fish, calamari, shrimp, lobster. Request daily catch at local restaurants; price typically lower than pre-set menus. Traditional preparation: grilled whole with lemon, garlic, minimal seasoning.

Dining Etiquette & Tips

- **Meals:** Lunch 1-3 PM (main meal), dinner 8 PM+ (lighter meal)
- **Hospitality:** Tea/coffee offered as welcome gesture; accepting expected but not obligatory
- **Payment:** Service charge (10-15%) often included; additional tipping appreciated (5-10% cash)
- **Dietary Restrictions:** Vegetarian options abundant; halal required for Muslims
- **Water Safety:** Drink bottled water only; ice made from filtered water at reputable establishments