# "Sultanat of Oman"





Flag

National emblem



Capital City: Muscat

Other Names: Majan (Sumerian) & Mazoon (Persia)

Currency: Omani Ryal (OMR)

Population: 2.9M Omani & 2M Expats

Area: 309,500 km² (circa 30% larger than UK)

**Elevation**: Mean 310m & Highest 3,004m **Religion**: Muslim 86%. Others 14%

Languages: Southeastern edge of the Arabian Peninsula
Arabic, English, Baluchi, Swahili, Urdu

Life Expectacy: Male 76.6Y, Female 78.7Y

Literacy: 95 % Urbanization: 85 %

### Omani Cuisine!



#### Omani Majboos

Also named Kabsa, this dish is rice cooked with spicy meat. Majboos is always served at special occasions like weddings or engagements.

#### Omani Shuwa

Shuwa is a celebratory
Omani dish that is usualy
prepared on special
occasions like Eid. During
the festival, many families
begin cooking their Shuwa
on the first day and consume
it on the second day.



### Omani Halwa

Halwa, which means sweet in Arabic, is the most famous traditional Omani dessert and is considered the national dessert of the country. Halwa is usually served with Omani Qahwa

## Some Facts!

### **Oman in History**

Oman is the oldest independent state in the Arab World

#### The House of Al Said

Al Said is the ruling royal house of the Sultanate of Oman, and former ruling royal house of:

- The Omani empire (from 1744 to 1856),
- Sultanate of Muscat and Oman (1856 to 1970)
- The Sultanate of Zanzibar (1856 to 1964).

Founded by Ahmad bin Said al-Busaidi, at the time, ruler of Oman and its east African territories

### Kumzari Language

Kumrazi language is similar to the Persian, Achomi and Luri languages. Although vulnerable, it survives today with about 5,000 speakers. It is spoken by Kumzaris in the Musandam Peninsula. Kumzaris can also be found in the towns

### Luban (Frakensense)

Frankincense is an integral part of Oman's culture and heritage. This aromatic resin is mostly used in incense and perfume and obtained from the tree bark of genus Boswellia. ... Locally known as luban, Oman is known to produce the world's finest frankincense.

## Oman, a country of breathtaking natural beauty!





