0900hrs: Pick-up from hotels

0920hrs: Bab-Al-Bahrain and Manama Souq
Bab-Al-Bahrain means “Gateway to Bahrain” and is the entrance to the Manama Souq, Bahrain’s main traditional bazaar area, housing a bustling marketplace of both traditional and modern shops. A chance to buy local handicrafts, souvenirs, fabric, etc.

1010hrs: Bahrain Fort and Museum
Also known as Qal’at al Bahrain, this impressive archaeological site was once the main city of the Dilmun civilisation. The site has been inhabited for over 4,500 years and is now on the UNESCO World Heritage list. The Museum showcases archaeological discoveries from the different civilizations that occupied the site.

1115hrs: BIC (Bahrain International Circuit)
The home of motorsport in Bahrain, best known for hosting the Bahrain F1 Grand Prix for the past 10 years. A great opportunity to view a world-class circuit up close!

1240hrs: First Oil Well and the desert
We leave the modern race track and drive through the desert to the First Oil Well which is the site where the first oil was found in the Arabian Gulf by Standard Oil on 16 October 1931.

END OF MORNING TOUR.
Guests choosing the half-day tour will be transported back to their hotels (approx. 1330hrs.)
Guests opting for the full-day tour will continue with the itinerary below.
1400hrs: Lunch in an Arabic-themed restaurant in Muharraq

1445hrs: Visit to a traditional dhow shipbuilding yard

A dhow is a traditional Arab sailing ship. It is a low-sided ship with one or two masts and triangular curving sails. This is a unique opportunity to visit one of the few remaining dhow shipbuilding yards in Bahrain. Dhow building is one of the traditional industries that Bahrain is famous for, dating back to the days of pearl-diving.

1515hrs: Bahrain Museum – guided tour

The museum possesses a rich collection of Bahrain’s ancient archaeological artifacts and covers 6000 years of Bahrain’s history. The complex includes three halls devoted to archaeology and the ancient civilisation of the Dilmun, while two other halls depict the culture and lifestyle of Bahrain's recent pre-industrial past.

1615-1630: End of tour and return to hotels