MUSCAT
This itinerary can be shortened or extended depending on the time you have to explore the governorate.

Ad Dhahirah
From the Southern foot of the Al Hajar Mountain range in the north to the Empty Plain region to the west, the Ad Dhahirah Governorate is one of the major regional centers of the Sultanate, together with the Wilayat of Rustaq. This region is a popular destination for both local and international tourists.

The Wilayat of Ibri is the largest regional center in the governorate of Ad Dhahirah, renowned for its history and culture. It is home to some of the most historically important forts and castles in the country, which can serve as a perfect starting point for those visiting Oman from other GCC countries.

The experience of visiting Ad Dhahirah is unparalleled, with near limitless options to experience the culture and traditions of the area. The governorate is geographically diverse, with mountains in the north to deserts in the west, providing unique opportunities for hiking, rock climbing, and sandboarding.

**How to reach Ad Dhahirah?**

By helicopter, Ibri is the biggest regional center in the governorate of Ad Dhahirah, located in the western part of the Sultanate. It can be reached via a road that connects directly to Muscat and covers a distance of around 280 kilometers. It is also accessible via an alternative road that passes through the U.A.E. and Saudi Arabia, making it one of the primary destinations for those visiting Oman from other GCC countries.

**Important to know**

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