



RACING TOUR

GC32 OMAN CUP MUSCAT, OMAN

25 - 29 MARCH 2020



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WHY OMAN?



THE SULTANATE HAS MADE TREMENDOUS PROGRESS IN SAILING OVER THE PAST 10 YEARS.

The next step in our vision to reignite the nation's maritime history is to host a stop on the GC32 Racing Tour and bring more of the world's finest sailors to the beautiful shores of Oman.

As hosts we can offer perfect competitive sailing conditions and world-class sailing facilities at Al Mouj Muscat.

The site features boat storage, launching and landing zones, a 350-berth marina and high-quality international restaurants all within 10 minutes' drive of Muscat International Airport.

Launched in 2008, Oman Sail is a government-sponsored initiative with the core objective of furthering the development of Oman and the Omanis through the sport of sailing. Considered worldwide to be one of the most innovative sailing projects of recent times, our programme has developed homegrown sailors who have enjoyed remarkable success on the international competitive sailing circuit. The strategy of developing youth sailing at an elite level on the global stage has instilled a strong sense of pride and national identity and has helped to encourage thousands of young people across the country to adopt a healthy lifestyle.



Events like the GC32 Racing Tour inspire the youth of Oman to envisage their future in the sport of sailing. With 11 years of competing in the Extreme Sailing Series™, and 10 years of staging a leg of the series in Muscat, we are committed to the class and we look forward to hosting you and your team in Muscat this March.



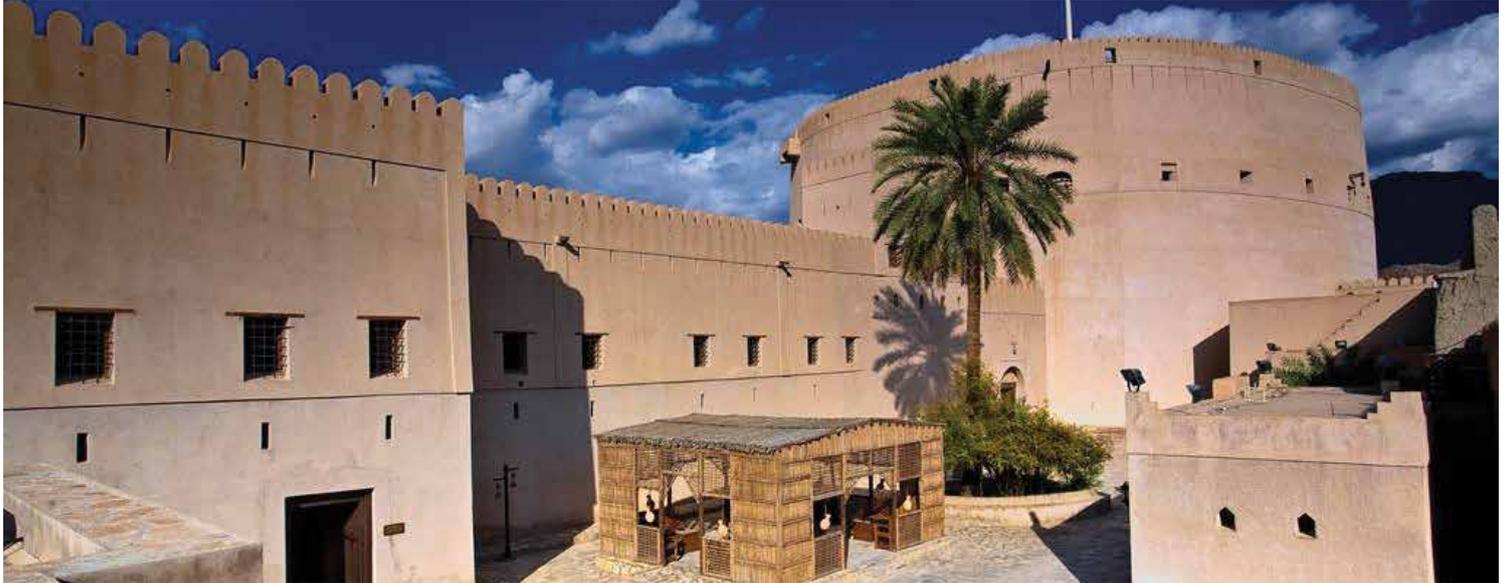
Oman Sail will be responsible for the management of the GC32 Racing Tour stopover in Muscat, both on and off the water, providing accommodation, global logistics solutions and support for race management, judging and marshalling services. An experienced team will assist competitors with travel arrangements and registration, right through to the first day of competition.

We have the facilities, prestige, high-profile event experience and the sailing conditions needed to deliver an outstanding leg of the GC32 Racing Tour in 2020 and beyond.

The competition is an opportunity to showcase, through sport, the beauty and warm hospitality of the Sultanate to an international audience. We are committed to ensuring that your team and your supporters from around the world enjoy a highly memorable experience that only the Sultanate of Oman can offer.

David Graham
Chief Executive Officer,
Oman Sail

OMAN AT A GLANCE



PERCHED ON THE SOUTHEAST COAST OF THE ARABIAN PENINSULA,

the Sultanate of Oman's stark beauty & vastly contrasting landscapes have enchanted growing numbers of tourists each year. With its magnificent desert, secret oases and breathtaking mountain ranges, Oman is an alluring destination. A tropical underwater paradise lies beneath the turquoise sea, caressing the white sandy beaches that adorn the country's stunning 3,165 km coastline.

Grand forts, exquisite palaces and mystical souqs are sights to behold in the capital, Muscat. Offering a warm welcome, the country prides itself on its authenticity and friendly approach to visitors. The Sultanate is full of varied opportunities for adventure, including fascinating tours with an Arabian flavour.



Oman's coastline is a paradise for explorers. Its abundance of wildlife includes whales, dolphins, turtles, seahorses, and flamingos. Underwater, its incredible marine life is found close to the water's surface.



The mountains cover approximately 15% of the country's land mass. Oman's main mountain range is the 10,000 foot Al Hajar, which runs from Musandam in the North to the extreme limit of the Arabian Peninsula, Ras Al Had.



Sands and deserts occupy the remaining area; these include two large sand deserts - The Wahiba Sands known as Rimalat Al Wahiba and part of the Empty Quarter (Rub Al Khali). Here you can learn about Bedouin culture, camp under a dome of stars and experience the beauty of dawn in the desert.



Oman is known for its tropical climate, whilst still subject to seasonal changes. From October through to April, the Sultanate offers ideal weather, with an average temperature of °23C. Its welcoming hospitality, warm seas and stunning landscapes combine to make tourism in Oman a growing industry.

VENUE LOCATION



EVENT LOCATION: AL MOUJ MUSCAT MARINA

We will host the GC32 Racing Tour at Al Mouj Marina in the Sultanate of Oman's capital city, Muscat, the historic home of Sinbad the Sailor. Muscat offers stunning natural landscapes with dramatic coastlines, alongside a uniquely Omani experience. It is the country's cosmopolitan hub and home to a unique blend of world-class hotels, modern malls and traditional souqs, the beautiful Sultan Qaboos Grand Mosque and a jaw dropping, state of the art opera house.

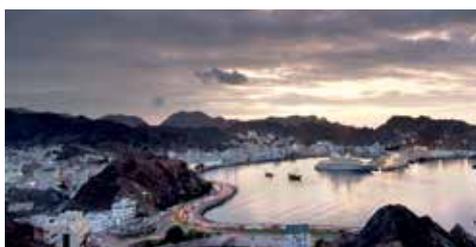


The Al Mouj Muscat Marina

Located a short 10 minute drive from Muscat International Airport, Al Mouj Marina is well known to the skippers and crews on the GC32 Racing Tour.

The marina is situated in Al Mouj Muscat, a thriving, freehold title waterfront community spread along a stunning 6km stretch of coast in the Sultanate of Oman's capital. It offers outstanding lifestyle and leisure experiences, including two hotels, residential properties interspersed with green spaces, pedestrian walkways and inland waterways, retail and dining facilities.

WEATHER CONDITIONS



EVENT MONTH: MARCH 2020

Oman's rugged landscape dramatically falls away into the sea and influences the wind direction, which is predominantly a land-sea breeze. With a progressive build-up of wind during the early morning, the sailors do most of their racing in moderate and stable 8 to 15 knot breezes.

OMAN'S MARCH WEATHER AND CLIMATE AVERAGES:

20°C

Average Minimum
Temperature

26°C

Average Maximum
Temperature

23°C

Average
Temperature

10_{mm}

Average Precipitation
or Rainfall

3

Wet Days
(>0.1 Min)

11 hrs

Average Sunlight
Hours / Day

AVERAGE WIND:

8 - 15 KNOTS

North East Wind



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Kempinski Hotel
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**KEMPINSKI
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MUSCAT**
*PREFERRED HOTEL
PARTNER*

Located in the modern community of Al Mouj Muscat, and encompassing over six kilometers of stunning coastline, Kempinski Hotel Muscat is an unparalleled luxury beach resort in the capital of Oman. It features 310 comfortable rooms and suites, state-of-the-art meetings and events facilities, a business centre and an executive lounge, ten world-class restaurants and bars, two swimming pools and a kids pool, a kids club and a tennis court, a luxurious spa and a health club.



LOCATION

Al Mouj Muscat, 335
Street 6, Muscat 138

Distance from the event:
11 minute walk

**ROOM RATES
PER NIGHT
(OMANI RIALS)**

Category	Single Occupancy	Double Occupancy
Superior Room (45m2)	65	70
Deluxe Resort View (45m2)	88	106
Deluxe Sea View Room (45m2)	106	123
Executive Room (45m2)	123	141
Grand Deluxe Resort View (49m2)	141	158
Grand Deluxe Sea View (49m2)	158	176
Junior Suite (62m2)	176	194
Deluxe Suite (90m2)	194	211
Grand Deluxe Suite (125m2)	211	229

- All rates in this agreement are quoted in local currency (OMR), and are per room per night.
- The above rates are subject to service charge and applicable taxes.
- Rates are inclusive of buffet breakfast in «The Kitchen» restaurant.
- The above rates are subject to hotel availability at the time of booking
- Transportation transfers to and from Muscat International Airport can be booked through the Hotel in writing with a minimum of 48 hours notice. Transportation charges will be confirmed by the Hotel for each booking and may vary dependent on the car booked and the number of passengers.



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MYSK BY SHAZA HOTEL, AL MOUJ MUSCAT

Sea, sun & personality. The flagship hotel of Mysk by Shaza is a contemporary and trendy theatre of life. The setting overlooks the vibrant marina of Al Mouj in Muscat. It's a curtain call of ever-evolving Arabian culture and design features inspired by the maritime setting ebb and flow. The vibrant & cheerful ambiance takes centre stage. Splash into delectable dining, comfortable rooms and friendly service. Meet, reconnect and dive into a memorable stay.



LOCATION

Al Mouj Muscat, 335,
Street 6, Muscat

Distance from the event:
5 minute walk

ROOM RATES PER NIGHT (OMANI RIALS)

Category	Single Occupancy	Double Occupancy
Deluxe Room Community View	42	48
Deluxe Room Plaza View	45	51
Deluxe Room Marina View	48	54
Grand Deluxe Room Community View	58	64
Grand Deluxe Room Plaza View	61	67
Grand Deluxe Room Marina View	64	70
Junior Suite	77	77
One Bedroom Suite	107	107

- Rates are per room per night, quoted in Omani Riyals.
- The above rates are subject to 17.4% Service Charge, Municipality Tax & Tourism Tax.
- Rates are Inclusive of Breakfast Buffet in Pepper Restaurant.
- Complimentary in-room refreshment & two bottles of mineral water per day.
- Complimentary Tea and Coffee making facilities & Access to Health Club and Swimming Pool.
- Complimentary Internet Wi-Fi throughout the hotel.
- Exclusive Half Board supplement – OMR 8.5 for single occupancy subject to 17.4% Service Charge, Municipality Tax & Tourism Tax.
- Exclusive Full Board supplement – OMR 17 for single occupancy subject to 17.4% Service Charge, Municipality of Tax & Tourism Tax.



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HOLIDAY INN HOTEL, AL SEEB MUSCAT

For a successful business or leisure trip to Oman's picturesque capital, the Holiday Inn places you where you need to be. It's just a fifteen minute drive from Muscat International Airport and a three minute drive to Muscat City Center Mall. Downtown Muscat is a pleasant half-hour drive to the east. Enjoy a cup of Omani coffee in the lobby lounge, a vigorous workout or steam session in the top-notch Fitness Center, and a delicious meal in Omede Restaurant.

LOCATION

Al Mawaleh South
Al Seeb, 130 Muscat

Distance from the event:
9 minute drive

ROOM RATES PER NIGHT (OMANI RIALS)

Category	Single Occupancy
Standard Room	41
Executive Room	46
Junior Suite	56
Suite	66
1 Bedroom Residential Suite	76
2 Bedroom Residential Suite	86

- The offered rates are inclusive of 17.4% service charge and other government taxes.
- The offered rates are inclusive of buffet breakfast & internet.
- All rates are in Omani Rials, subject to taxes as outlined above and non-commissionable.
- Rates are valid for Single only, Additional 5 OMR per room per night for the second person.
- The above rates are meant for Individual Booking's only, up to 9 rooms at a time. Group rate may vary based on the hotel availability and market demand.
- All room types and suites are subject to availability at the time of booking confirmation.
- Check in is 1400 hours, Check out is 1200 hours.
- Transportation transfers to and from Muscat International Airport can be booked through the Hotel.

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TRAVEL INFORMATION



All major airlines fly into Muscat International Airport from Asia, India, Europe, Africa, Middle East, America, Canada & Australia.



The national carrier, Oman Air, offers direct flights from many cities in Europe, India, Africa and the Middle East. We are working very closely with Oman Air to secure the best available fares for competitors and race officials for the event. More details will follow closer to date.

www.omanair.com



Qatar Airways flies twice a day from Doha to Muscat. It also flies from a number of major world cities.

www.qatarairways.com



Etihad is the national airline of the UAE. Etihad runs two flights per day between Abu Dhabi and Muscat. Etihad offers competitive rates from many cities in Europe to Oman.

www.etihadairways.com



There are excellent connections between Oman and Dubai. Emirates covers almost every major city in the world and there are daily connections between Dubai and Muscat. It is a 40-minute flight and Emirates operates two flights per day between the two cities.

www.emirates.com

Other international airlines that fly to Muscat International Airport:



Land

The majority of hotels in Oman offer airport transfer services. The hotel mentioned in the accommodation section of this document offers this service, but Oman Sail, as mentioned, will provide a free shuttle bus from the airport to the venue for those staying at the on-site hotel. It is easy and pleasant to drive around Oman, with plenty of choice of car rental agents, including the large international brands such as Hertz, Budget, National, Europcar, etc. We have special and preferred rates with our suppliers and can offer a complete transport solution to suit every need.

Visa Requirements

- Citizens of member nations of the Gulf Cooperation Council and New Zealand may travel to Oman without visa limits.
- Nationals of 65 other countries are granted a visa on arrival in Oman for a period of 30 days.

Please see the link of those countries: https://www.rop.gov.om/visa/english/onlineservices_visaapplication_main.aspx

Other visitors who are not mentioned above must obtain a visa prior to travel.

Note: all visitors must hold a passport valid for 6 months prior to travel date.



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