Wadi Hayl Field Trip, 8:00am Saturday November 26th

Join David Edwards on a journey to see one of the very best sites in Fujairah. From the fortified house of Sheikh Abdullah bin Hamdan al-Sharqi and the surrounding village, to the stunning vistas of the oasis itself, there is much to see here and something for all interests.

The primary hike involves descending into the wadi below the village and experiencing the varied **petroglyphs** found there; then a short drive to **another rich petroglyph site** and then an adventure up another tributary to **yet another site** (if you've accompanied David here before, you haven't seen this final area).

For those challenged by the rigors of hiking, the oasis is a pleasant place to relax and photograph the many birds and other creatures found here (including Hoopoes and Bee Eaters, and much more) or explore the many structures in the old village and in the ancient village. Those looking for further exercise can climb up to the hilltop fort opposite the village, but watch your step on the west side – it's a sheer drop to the wadi below.

Meet David and his White Jeep Wrangler at the Kalba Road ADNOC Oasis, just past the Mleiha Road flyover, at 8:00am. Sturdy shoes, a hiking pole, sunscreen, a hat, plenty of water, a healthy snack, your camera, and your curiosity are recommended items to bring along. A 4x4 is not necessary, though the track back to the second site is a little rough.

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