

# BCHAALEH TRAILS ASSOCIATION

Activities Catalogues 2025



Where  
**Every Trail**  
Tells a **STORY**

- ◆ Community-based
- ◆ Adventure Spirit
- ◆ Heritage & Traditions

**Crafting Unforgettable  
Journeys in Bchaaleh**



# BCHAALEH TRAILS ASSOCIATION WHO WE ARE



Bchaaleh Trails Association stands apart as a beacon of rural tourism, offering a perfect blend of natural wonders, cultural exploration, adventure activities and community engagement. Our commitment to quality, inclusivity, and sustainable practices ensures that your visit not only enriches your personal experiences but also contributes to the growth and prosperity of the local community.

Bchaaleh Trails Association (BTA) journey began in July 2018 with the initiation of the Bchaaleh Hiking Trail Network Project funded by USAID under the LIVCD project in collaboration with Bchaaleh Municipality and Bchaaleh Association for Development.

Over the years, our dedicated team has thrived to create and preserve a meaningful responsible tourism in the village.

In 2021, we achieved two significant milestones. The First is connecting our trails to the Lebanon Mountain Trail (LMT) through the thematic side trail “Noah’s Olive Trail”. The second is partnering with The Olive Routes one of the cultural routes of the Council of Europe. These steps put Bchaaleh Village on the national and international touristic map and encourage us to further develop and enhance sustainable tourism activities and experiences, creating a positive impact on both guests and the local community members .

# Who We Are



# BCHAALEH TRAILS ASSOCIATION OUR MISSION



To preserve, develop and promote our natural and cultural heritage, transfer it in a better shape for future generations by developing sustainable tourism businesses and creating job opportunities leading to local circular economy and wellbeing enhancement of local community.

## OUR VISION

To make Bchaaleh one of the best rural tourism destination in the region.



Our Mission  
Our Vision



# BCHAALEH TRAILS ASSOCIATION

# OUR SERVICES



## ADVENTURE TOURISM

- One day guided hikes
- Full moon hikes with bonfire experience
- Sunset hikes experience

## AGRITOURISM

- Olive, Apple and Cherry picking
- Traditional soap making
- Olive wood / seed carving experience
- Harvest picnic experience

## CULTURAL TOURISM

- Millennium olive tree tour
- Olive cultural heritage tour
- Religious tour

# OUR SERVICES

# ACTIVITIES





# One Day Guided Hikes



Discover the enchanting landscapes and rich heritage of Bchaaleh village with our “One Day guided hike”. This adventure blends two captivating experiences: the Bchaaleh Trails, offering seven diverse routes through wilderness, agriculture and archaeological sites; and Noah’s Olive Trail, a side trail of the Lebanon Mountain Trail. Follow ancient trade routes and explore the historic village of Bchaaleh. Enjoy panoramic views, tranquil nature, and uncover hidden gems like the Millennial Olive trees. Extend your adventure with a connecting trail to the picturesque village of Douma. Perfect for all fitness levels, this hike promises awe-inspiring moments and a deep connection with Bchaaleh’s natural and cultural heritage.



**1 to 6**  
Hours



**Easy to Hard**



**3+**  
Years Old



**5 to 25**  
People / Group



**Bchaaleh  
Douma  
Assia  
Chatine**



**All Year  
Long**







Elevation: 1,165 m  
34.2028° N  
35.8249° E

ASSIA

HADTOUN

DOUMA

- Al Shakaa Trail: 2,75 km  
درب الشكاة ٢,٧٥ كم
- Al Salib Trail: 2,8 km  
درب الصليب ٢,٨ كم
- Al Kalaa Trail: 0,5 km  
درب القلعة ٠,٥ كم
- Mar Touma Trail: 4,15 km  
درب مار توما ٤,١٥ كم
- Al Shir Trail: 4 km  
درب الشير ٤ كم
- Mar Sarkis Trail: 5,5 km  
درب مار سركيس ٥,٥ كم
- Baalbeck Trail: 7,5 km  
درب بعلبك ٧,٥ كم
- Main Roads الطرقات العامة
- + Trail Start بداية الدرب

Trail Name  
إسم الدرب

Trail Direction  
اتجاه الدرب

Trail Color  
لون الدرب

Trail Difficulty  
صعوبة الدرب

- |   |  |   |  |                                     |                                      |  |
|---|--|---|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| 1 Monastery of St. Thomas<br>دير مار توما                     | 5 Monastery of St. Richa<br>دير مار ريشا | 10 Zaytouna Way Restaurant<br>مطعم زيتونة واي               | 15 St. Doumit's Tombs<br>نواويس نواويس<br>مار صومط               | 20 Municipality<br>البلدية          | 24 Al Hor well<br>بئر الحور          | 28 Monastery of St. Jacob<br>دير مار يعقوب |
| 2 Monastery of St. Saba<br>دير مار سابا                       | 6 Monastery of St. Mema<br>دير مار ماما  | 11 Legendary Centennial Olive Trees<br>زيتون بشفه<br>الآنري | 16 Al Tahita Fountain<br>عين التختا                              | 25 Al Hossen fortress<br>قلعة الحصن | 25 Bouran Tombs<br>نواويس بعوران     | 29 Sacred Heart Statue<br>مزار قلب يسوع    |
| 3 St. Sarkis and Bacchus Monastery<br>دير مار سركيس<br>وباخوس | 7 Bab el Tem Rock<br>باب الدم            | 12 St. Doumit well<br>بئر مار صومط                          | 17 St. Stephen's pastoral church<br>كنيسة مار<br>إسطفان الرعائبة | 21 Furn Charki<br>فرن شوقي          | 26 Public Park<br>حديقة عامة         | 30 Al Shir<br>الشير                        |
| 4 Maytoub Fountain<br>عين ميطوبة                              | 8 Al Debs Grotto<br>مغارة الدبس          | 13 Monastery of St. Doumit<br>دير مار صومط                  | 18 Saydet El Blata<br>سيّدة البلاطة                              | 22 Civil Dfense<br>الدفاع المدني    | 27 Slayyib Restaurant<br>مطعم الصليب | 31 Al Hor well<br>بئر الحور                |
|   | 9 Furn El Chakour<br>فرن الشكور          | 14 Al Habis<br>الحبيس                                       |  | 23 Cross<br>الصليب                  |                                      | 32 Cross<br>الصليب                         |

- Raptors  
طيور جارحة
- Wild Boars  
خنزير بري
- Migratory Birds  
طيور مهاجرة
- Squirrel  
سنجاب
- Hyena  
ضبع
- Migration Path  
إتجاه الهجرة
- Restrooms  
مراحيض
- Play Area  
منطقة لعب





# Full Moon Hike with Bonfire Experience



A hiking adventure under the luminous glow of the full moon of Bchaaleh. Immerse yourself in the captivating history, untouched nature, and open skies vistas that await along our scenic trails. Ends it around a delightful surprise.



**4**  
Hours



**Easy**



**3+**  
Years Old



**5 to 25**  
People / Group



**Bchaaleh**



**On Full  
Moon**



# Sunset Hikes Experience



The hiking activity included in this package offers a medium level challenge, with considerable elevation changes at some points. As you traverse the trail, you'll be immersed in the rich history and raw beauty of the landscape, with breathtaking vistas of the mountains and the Mediterranean Sea.

The hike continues to the millennium olive trees, where guests will have the opportunity to meet with a storyteller. Listen as they share the legends of these majestic trees and the fascinating scientific facts about their age.



**4**  
Hours



**Moderate**



**15+**  
Years Old



**5 to 25**  
People / Group



**Bchaaleh**



**Every Saturday**  
of  
**July and August**





# Olive, Apple and Cherry Picking



Experience the timeless tradition of fresh fruit harvesting amidst the picturesque landscapes and traditional terraces of Bchaaleh. Join local farmers as they guide you through the gentle art of picking fruits from their orchards. Feel the connection to the land as you work alongside locals, and savour the satisfaction of contributing to this age-old practice. Take home freshly picked fruits to enjoy.



**2 to 3**  
Hours



**Easy**



**1+**  
Years Old



**5 to 25**  
People / Group



**Bchaaleh**



**Seasonal**





# Traditional Soap Making

Step into the world of traditional soap making on our immersive tour.

Join local artisans as they guide you through the time-honored process of crafting soap using age-old techniques. From selecting the finest ingredients to mastering the art of mixing and molding, you'll gain hands-on experience in creating your own unique soap.

Immerse yourself in the sights, scents, and sensations of this ancient craft, and leave with a handcrafted souvenir to remember your experience.



1  
Hour



Easy



3+  
Years Old



5 to 10  
People / Group



Bchaaleh



All Year  
Long





# Olive Wood / Seed Carving Experience



Unleash your creativity with our olive wood carving activity, where ancient traditions meet modern craftsmanship. Under the guidance of skilled artisans, learn the techniques of shaping and sculpting olive seeds or wood into beautiful works of art.

From intricate designs to rustic carvings, discover the versatility and beauty of this natural material. Whether you're a novice or an experienced carver, our workshop offers a welcoming space to explore your artistic talents and create a one-of-a-kind masterpiece to cherish.



**2**  
Hours



**Easy**



**9+**  
Years Old



**5 to 10**  
People / Group



**Bchaaleh**



**Every**  
Season





# Harvest Picnic Experience



Embark on an unforgettable journey into the heart of Lebanon's culinary heritage with The Famous Farmer's Picnic. This exclusive experience invites you to step back in time and immerse yourself in the traditions of old Lebanese farmers. This tour offers a rare opportunity to connect with the land, the locals, and the rich history of Bchaaleh. From savoring delicious traditional cuisine to exploring the ancient olive groves of Noah, every moment is crafted to delight the senses and inspire the soul.



**2 to 3  
Hours**



**Very Easy**



**3+  
Years Old**



**10 to 25  
People / Group**



**Bchaaleh**



**From May  
to September**



# Millennium Olive Tree Tour



Step back in time with us on the Millennium Olive Tree Tour an experience like no other where you'll live like a true farmer. From exploring ancient olive groves to learning about the age-old techniques of olive cultivation, every moment promises to be a journey of discovery. As part of this unique tour, you'll have the opportunity to participate in cultural and outdoor activities that offer insights into the rich heritage of the region, such as experiencing the authentic "Zouwedeh" farmer's lunch box, enjoying a traditional picnic lunch in nature, embarking on guided visits to the Millennial Olive Trees of Noah, and much more.



**Full Day**



**Easy to  
Medium**



**9+  
Years Old**



**10 to 25  
People / Group**



**Bchaaleh**



**From April  
to October**





# Olive Cultural Heritage Tour



The olive cultural heritage experience features different outdoor and indoor stations and workshops, nested in ancient houses dispersed throughout Bchaaleh Village.

You can choose to visit all or some of these stations which are part of the Ecomuseum of the Olive Tree culture of Bchaaleh recognized by the Olive Tree Routes one of the cultural routes of the Council of Europe. The journey will end by a visit to the gift shop where visitors will have the chance to take souvenirs/local products from Bchaaleh and support the local community.



Full Day



Easy



9+  
Years Old



10 to 25  
People / Group



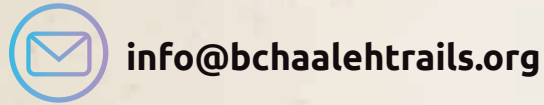
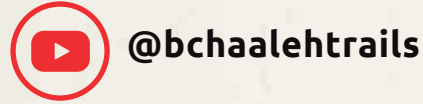
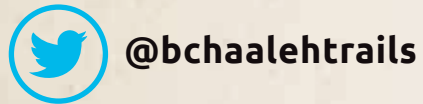
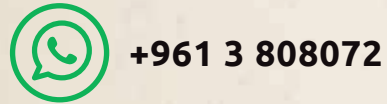
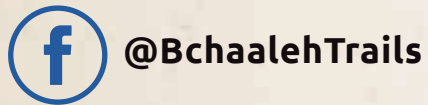
Bchaaleh



From May  
to November



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See you in Bchaaleh



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TRAILS  
ASSOCIATION

