



Green and Away Far Away

Helen invites G&A volunteers and supporters to join her to build a small dam in Wadi Zuwetein (Valley of the Olive Trees) in South Sinai, Egypt.

The mountains of Sinai are a fabulously beautiful place, with rocky valleys dotted with ancient Bedouin gardens. Due to years of drought the gardens are slowly dying and the Bedouin are being forced to give up their sustainable way of life. However a small dam high up the valleys can store the modest amounts of rain that come occasionally and make a difference to 30 gardens and 30 families below. The series of small dams built by the Makhad Trust are making a big difference to these lovely people. Please come and help build Gwoona Dam with Salam Faraj and the other garden owners.

The trip itinerary is as follows: arrive Sharm-el-Sheik, transfer Basata Eco-Lodge on the coast for the first night and meet Sherif who wants to build an eco conference centre in Sinai. Transfer to the mountains near St Katherine's and trekking up to a mountain garden as our base, spending 3 days building the dam with local Bedouin, trekking back down to St Katherine's, transfer to the desert and a night in the desert followed by a camel trek back to the main road and home.

Dates: 21 April to 28 April 2012

Cost: £640. Inclusive of all accommodation, food, local transport, guides and tipping. There are no additional costs.

Flights are not included, and we have to raise £2000 for the dam materials.

Get friends and relatives to sponsor you for the flights, the journey or the dam materials or the whole lot. See Fundraising below.

For more information about the journey please contact Helen at info@greenandaway.org or on 01453 755483

Journey Highlights

- Trek through the Majestic Sinai mountains
- Sleep under the stars
- Traditional Bedouin hospitality from our hosts
- Delicious Food
- Desert exploration
- Contributing to sustainable tourism and the Bedouin economy

Fundraising

You can donate funds or fundraise and ask others to donate to our Just Giving page.

Go to <http://www.justgiving.com/GandA-Makhad>

You could fundraise by running a marathon, abseiling down a cliff, cutting off all your hair (seems a bit drastic to me!), baking and selling cakes, swimming a mile or more, or making up a nude calendar to sell to friends! Update us on the Green and Away Facebook page at

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/greenandaway/>

to let us know how you are raising funds.

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