



# Karachi

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Karachi is Pakistan's largest city, located on the coast of the Arabian Sea. Explore historic landmarks like the Quaid-e-Azam's Mausoleum and Mohatta Palace, or unwind at Clifton and Manora Island beaches. Savour diverse cuisine at Burns Road and Do Darya, and discover unique finds at Zainab Market and Dolmen Mall. Karachi's nightlife, cultural festivals and art galleries provide endless entertainment. Known as the City of Lights, Karachi dazzles with its unique charm and vibrant energy all year long.



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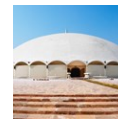
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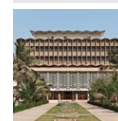
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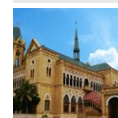
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## THE CITY



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Saddar, the commercial heart of Karachi, is a magnet for visitors. Its wide boulevards and narrow side streets host a variety of markets and bazaars, showcasing the city's bustling street life. Along Zaibunnisa Street, you'll find fine examples of Victorian architecture, a legacy from colonial times, while Muhammad Ali (MA) Jinnah Road features Karachi's most famous landmark — the Quaid Mausoleum. Saddar is also a good area for budget accommodation, and for affordable eats, Burns Road is a must-visit, known for its mouth-watering street food and traditional dishes.

South of Saddar, along the coastline, lie the upscale neighbourhoods of Clifton and DHA (Defence Housing Authority). Clifton's marine promenade is a popular evening spot for locals, who gather to dine at the numerous restaurants by the boatyard or to enjoy a stroll while admiring one of the world's tallest water fountains. Clifton Beach is another highlight, where you can ride camels or horses along the shoreline. In the neighbouring DHA area, Zamzama Boulevard offers a range of designer boutiques, coffee shops, and stylish restaurants, attracting a well-heeled crowd. For art enthusiasts, the nearby Canvas Gallery showcases contemporary Pakistani art.

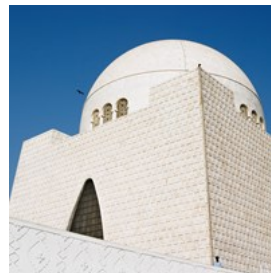
## DO & SEE



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There is plenty to see in sprawling Karachi, the biggest megacity in Pakistan and a fascinating melting pot of cultures. Most visitor attractions are concentrated in the southern district, while the outlying beaches and islands make for excellent short trips out of the city. If you're keen on learning more about the city's history, museums like the National Museum of Pakistan and Mohatta Palace Museum are not to be missed.

### Mazar-e-Quaid



Karachi's most prominent landmark is a memorial to Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah, the founder and first head of state of Pakistan. The mausoleum is where Pakistan's great leader remains buried, making the location of immense historical significance to the local populace.

Photo: Dmitry Pichugin/shutterstock

Address: Muhammad Ali Jinnah Road, Karachi

Internet: [qmmb.gov.pk/mausoleum-1.html](http://qmmb.gov.pk/mausoleum-1.html)

### Tooba Mosque



This splendid Midcentury modern white marble mosque can accommodate 5,000 worshippers and is reportedly the largest

single-domed mosque in the world. Bear in mind that visits may only be arranged by prior appointment and are restricted to male visitors.

Photo: Dmitry Pichugin/shutterstock

Address: Masjid-e-Tooba, Old Korangi Road, Karachi

Phone: +92 300 2416639

Internet: [mosqpedia.org/en/mosque/299](http://mosqpedia.org/en/mosque/299)

More Info: Also known as Gol Masjid.

### Mohatta Palace Museum



This spectacular 1920s palace, once officially belonging to the country's government, is now a museum showcasing the cultural heritage and

narrating the history of Pakistan via a few dozen galleries belonging to its jurisdiction to-date. Check the website for current exhibitions.

Photo: Mohammad Ali Photography/Shutterstock.com

Address: 7 Hatim Alvi Road, Clifton

Phone: +92 21 583 7669

Internet: [www.mohattapalacemuseum.com](http://www.mohattapalacemuseum.com)

### National Museum of Pakistan



The National Museum of Pakistan provides an excellent insight into the history of the region.

Although the maintenance leaves

something to be desired, the museum houses a collection of 58,000 old coins, hundreds of well-preserved sculptures, and other interesting

artefacts dating back to various points in Pakistan's history.

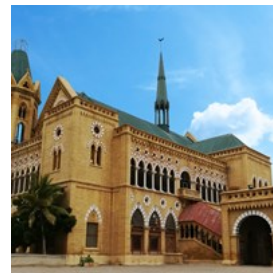
Photo: Sergey-73/shutterstock

Address: Burns Gardens Karachi, Shahrah-e-Kemal Atatürk, Saddar Karachi, Karachi

Opening hours: Thu-Tue 9am-5pm, Wed closed

Phone: +92 21 9921 2840

### Karachi's Victorian Architecture

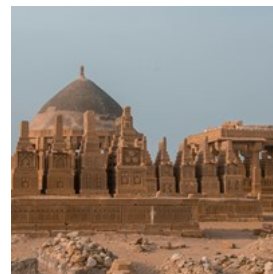


The best places to admire the splendid monuments of the colonial era are Ibrahim Ismail Chundrigar Road, Zaib-un-Nissa Street and

M.A.Jinnah Road. Be sure to check out Liaquat Hall on Abdullah Haroon Road, the Empress Market, and the Karachi Port Trust building.

Photo: Mohammad Ali Photography/Shutterstock.com

### Chaukhandi Tombs



East of Karachi lie the Chaukhandi tombs, a vast Islamic burial ground full of incredibly ornate tombs that date back to somewhere during the

15th through 18th centuries. The sandstone structures are believed to be a burial site for the late Jokhio tribe members.

Photo: Kafeel Ahmed/pexels

Address: Port Qasim Road, Karachi

Internet: [whc.unesco.org/en/tentativelists/1287](http://whc.unesco.org/en/tentativelists/1287)

More Info: The graveyard is located 40 kilometres east of Karachi

## Beaches



Escape the heat of the city and catch the breeze at one of the nearby beaches. The best ones are Sandspit Hawkes Bay, Clifton Beach, French Beach (privately owned, with clear water) and Paradise Point, with its scenic rock jutting out into the Arabian Sea. Camel rides are available for entertainment.

Photo: Arfan Mahmood/Shutterstock.com

## Pakistan Air Force Museum (PAF)



The museum adjacent to a Pakistan Air Force base in Faisal is Karachi's prime attraction for aviation enthusiasts. The grounds contain an extensive collection of military aircraft, some of which are even open to be looked inside, and a small amusement park operates on-site.

Photo: Aine Moorad/shutterstock

Address: PAF Faisal Base, Shahrah-e-Faisal Road, Karsaz Flyover, Karachi

Opening hours: Mon–Thu 9am–9pm, Fri 3pm–10pm, Sat & Sun 9am–10pm

Phone: +92 21 3460 4411

Internet: [www.pafmuseum.com.pk](http://www.pafmuseum.com.pk)

## DINING



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Eating in Karachi is a gourmet's dream, with a seemingly endless selection of eateries ranging from the cosmopolitan finery of upmarket restaurants to the traditional delights served by street vendors. Among the most popular local dishes are nihari, a stew made from beef or lamb, and biryani; these are almost always accompanied by a variety of breads such as naan, paratha, or chapati. After a rich, spicy meal, it's always nice to refresh the palate with one of the traditional desserts, a particular Pakistani favourite being kulfi (a type of ice cream). Don't forget to bring cash, as restaurants outside the city centre may not accept cards.

## The Pakistani



The Pakistani is located at the swanky Movenpick Hotel. They offer delicious Pakistani cuisine (grills and curries) in a sumptuous setting, with live entertainment of traditional song and chefs at work accompanying evening dining. No alcohol served.

Photo: Simon Booth/Shutterstock.com

Address: Mövenpick Karachi, Club Road, Civil Lines Karachi, Karachi

Opening hours: Daily 7:30pm–12:30am

Phone: +92 21 3563 3333

Internet: [movenpick.accor.com/en/asia/pakistan/karachi/hotel-karachi/restaurants/the-pakistani.html](http://movenpick.accor.com/en/asia/pakistan/karachi/hotel-karachi/restaurants/the-pakistani.html)

### Fujiyama



An excellent Japanese restaurant serving some of the best sushi and sashimi in Pakistan - and beyond. You will find Fujiyama at the top floor

of the Avari Towers, offering sweeping views of the city. Some dishes are cooked teppanyaki-style, guests watching the chef work before their eyes.

Photo: E\_Sh/Shutterstock.com

Address: Avari Towers Karachi, Fatima Jinnah Road, Karachi Cantonment, Karachi

Opening hours: Sat-Wed 7:30am-11pm, Thu & Fri 12:30pm-11pm

Phone: +92 21 11128 2747

Internet: [avari.com/avari-xpress-faisalabad/restaurants-dinner-faisalabad](http://avari.com/avari-xpress-faisalabad/restaurants-dinner-faisalabad)

### Dynasty



Exquisite Szechuan food served in imperial Chinese surroundings. On the menu you will find everyone's favourite dim sum, spicy Szechuan

dishes, classic Cantonese creations, and much more. The restaurant is open for both lunch and dinner.

Photo: leungchopan/Shutterstock.com

Address: Avari Towers Karachi, Fatima Jinnah Road, Karachi Cantonment, Karachi

Opening hours: Daily noon-3:30pm / 7pm-11:30pm

Phone: +92 21 11128 2747

Internet: [avari.com/avari-xpress-faisalabad/restaurants-dinner-faisalabad](http://avari.com/avari-xpress-faisalabad/restaurants-dinner-faisalabad)

### LaL Qila



Atmospheric restaurant set in a Mughal-style red fort, serving an excellent, abundant buffet that allows you to try a range of traditional dishes in

one meal. The selection on offer is truly incredible, with an impressive variety of desserts accompanying the varied mains.

Photo: dotshock/Shutterstock.com

Address: 10/A, M.A.C.H.S Main Shahrah-e-Faisal Road, Karachi

Opening hours: Sat-Thu 12:30pm-11:30pm, Fri 1:30pm-11:30pm

Phone: +92 21 452 9493

Internet: [lalqila.com](http://lalqila.com)

### Bar-B-Q Tonight



One of the most popular restaurants in Karachi serving a fabulous assortment of Pakistani dishes, Afghani and Middle Eastern

specialities, barbecued meats and seafood dishes. There is a dinner buffet on Mondays and Wednesdays, and a seafood buffet on Tuesdays and Thursdays (7.30pm-midnight).

Photo: Elena Dijour/Shutterstock.com

Address: Com 5/1, Shahrah-e-Firdousi, Boat Basin, Clifton Block-5, Karachi

Opening hours: Daily noon-midnight

Phone: +92 21 111 227 111

Internet: [bbqtonight.com](http://bbqtonight.com)

### Burns Road & Boat Basin



For cheap and delicious traditional Pakistani cuisine head down to Burns Road. Every night legions of food vendors take to the street to sell their delicious, freshly cooked-on-the-spot delicacies. Boat Basin, in Clifton, is a building complex housing a plethora of international restaurants.

Photo: Mariam88/Shutterstock.com

Address: Burns Road, Karachi

### Student Biryani



Another long-established Karachi restaurant serving delicious biryani and nihari dishes is Student Biryani, a budget eatery that long has been enjoyed by students and otherwise. They offer a comfortable dining experience and quality service with countless locations across the city.

Photo: espies/shutterstock

Address: Main University Road, Gulshan 13-B Block 13 B Gulshan-e-Iqbal, Karachi

Opening hours: Daily noon-1am

Phone: +92 21 3496 5268

Internet: [www.studentbiryani.com](http://www.studentbiryani.com)

### CAFES



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After a long day of sightseeing, it can be nice to sit down in a café and relax with a cup of tea or coffee. You will notice that the city has plenty of cafés to choose from, thanks to the flourishing café culture in Karachi. Many places offer tasty ice creams, hot beverages and delicious pastries.

### Cafe Flo



Looking for something other than Asian flavours? Then try this excellent bistro that serves a range of gourmet dishes of the

French cuisine. Tables are laid with crisp white table cloths, each graced with fresh flowers. Seating available in the outdoor courtyard.

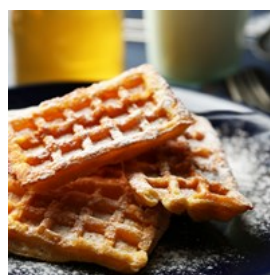
Photo: cobraphotography/Shutterstock.com

Address: D-82/1, Block 4 Clifton, Karachi

Opening hours: Daily noon-midnight

Phone: +92 21 587 7498

### The Hot Spot



The Hot Spot is a funky hangout place whose walls are adorned with humorous signs and posters of Bollywood horror movies. They serve a delicious array of snacks and treats, coffee and

ice creams.

Photo: Africa Studio/shutterstock

Address: 2-C 8th Commercial Lane, D.H.A Phase 6 Bukhari Commercial Area, Karachi

Phone: +92 21 3524 4720

Internet: [www.instagram.com/the\\_hot\\_spot\\_cafe](http://www.instagram.com/the_hot_spot_cafe)

### Gelato Affair



Gelato Affair is a chain of cafés, serving the very best of Italian ice cream and a great selection of coffees. They also offer an impressive selection of scrumptious cakes, such as chocolate chip cake and strawberry delight cake.

Photo: A3pfamily/shutterstock

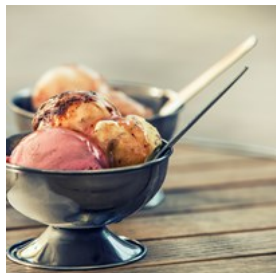
Address: KDA Scheme 1, Karachi

Opening hours: Daily 3pm-1am

Phone: +92 21 3438 4638

Internet: [www.instagram.com/gelatoaffairofficial](http://www.instagram.com/gelatoaffairofficial)

### Peshawari Ice Cream Parlour



Peshawari Ice Cream is the oldest ice cream parlour in Karachi, and, with that, one of the most popular. The parlour's own flavour, "Peshawari", is so well-liked that other city ice cream parlours have picked up and now sell it at businesses of their own.

Photo: Marian Weyo/Shutterstock.com

Address: Preedy Street, Saddar, Karachi

Opening hours: Daily 9am-2am

Phone: +92 21 3222 5142

Internet: [www.instagram.com/peshawaricecreamofficial](http://www.instagram.com/peshawaricecreamofficial)

### Baloch Ice Cream



This well-liked ice cream parlour offers a substantial selection of reasonably priced, high-quality ice creams. Be sure to try their

falooda, a traditional Pakistani dessert drink that often comes topped with a scoop of ice cream. They also offer many delicious milkshakes. There are several locations across town.

Photo: successo images/Shutterstock.com

Address: Bank Road, Block 5 Clifton, Karachi

Opening hours: Dailt 10am-3am

Phone: +92 21 3481 1857

### NIGHTLIFE



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Nightlife in Karachi centres around dining, with restaurants typically staying open late. Alcohol sale and consumption are not legally allowed in Pakistan, so alcohol-free drinks, such as teas and juices, often substitute wine and beer during evening outings. Parties involving alcoholic drinks do happen, but these are largely kept hidden, and information about when and where they take place can only be obtained by word of mouth. Non-Muslim foreign visitors may be served alcohol at some high-end hotels.

### Fanoos



What's special about this particular lounge are its round-the-clock working hours, which means that the finest coffee and desserts are available to

hotel guests and outside visitors at any hour of day or night. Live bands occasionally perform at Fanoos.

Photo: Baimieng/Shutterstock.com

Address: Mövenpick Karachi, Club Road, Civil Lines Karachi, Karachi

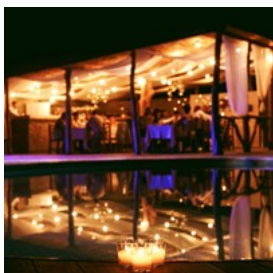
Opening hours: Daily 8am-midnight

Phone: +92 21 3563 3333

Internet: [movenpick.accor.com/en/asia/pakistan/karachi/hotel-karachi/restaurants/fanoos-lounge.html](http://movenpick.accor.com/en/asia/pakistan/karachi/hotel-karachi/restaurants/fanoos-lounge.html)

More Info: Movenpick Hotel

### Ramada Plaza Karachi



Along with extensive dining facilities, the Ramada Plaza Hotel boasts one of the most atmospheric evening dining experiences in

Karachi: a poolside, open-air barbecue restaurant. The on-site Opera Cafe works on a 24/7 basis.

Photo: IVASHstudio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Wyndham Karachi Airport Hotel, Star Avenue, Terminal 1, Karachi

Phone: +92 21 9924 2600

Internet: [www.wyndhamhotels.com/ramada/karachi-pakistan/ramada-plaza-karachi-airport-hotel/overview](http://www.wyndhamhotels.com/ramada/karachi-pakistan/ramada-plaza-karachi-airport-hotel/overview)

### Club432



Club432 is a dynamic creative space for events and music enthusiasts. It hosts underground gigs with a unique atmosphere, offering

everything from live music to comedy shows. Known for its intimate, quirky charm, Club432 is a hub for private parties and social encounters. Despite its hidden location and lack of mobile signals, it promises an unforgettable visit with its intimate, quirky charm and diverse performances.

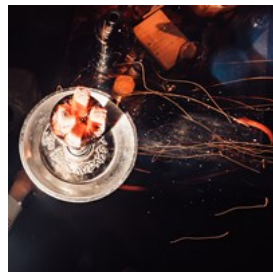
Photo: India Picture/shutterstock

Address: 23 5th Commercial Lane, Zamzama Commercial Area Defence V Karachi, Karachi

Phone: +92 21 3518 2929

Internet: [www.beat432.com](http://www.beat432.com)

### Roadside Cafe



An atmospheric cafe and young locals' favourite hangout location, the Roadside Cafe is a rare find. Images of world celebrities adorn the

walls, and vibes are relaxed. Seating available both inside and in the outdoor patio. The menu is varied, and includes meals and drinks, as well as shisha.

Photo: Anna Berdnik/Shutterstock.com

Address: Nehr-e-Khayyam Street, Block 5 Clifton, Karachi

Opening hours: Daily 10:30am-1am

Phone: +92 21 3586 9778

Internet: [www.instagram.com/roadsidecafe.pk](http://www.instagram.com/roadsidecafe.pk)

### Voco Cafe & Restaurant



Voco is a rather popular evening (and daytime) hangout spot that serves an international menu of dishes and offers shisha.

Photo: Muzammil Shahzad/unsplash

Address: Plot F73, Block 4 Clifton, Karachi

Opening hours: Daily noon-3am

Phone: +92 333 7558988

## SHOPPING



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Saddar, the old area of the city, is home to a number of markets. Zainab Market and Bhoori Bazaar are full of stalls selling handcrafted items such as woodwork, clothes and leather garments. For jewellery, head to Sarafa Bazaar, which is a gold and silver market, while the Empress Market is great for spices and worth a trip for the atmosphere alone. Aside from the souks, Zaibunnisa Street is lined with fashionable boutiques and jewellers, while Tariq Road in the neighbouring PECHS district offers much of the same.

Need a new carpet for the living room? Then head down to Abdullah Haroon Road, where you can pick up quality new or antique carpets from Pakistan, Afghanistan and Iran. If the thought of haggling leaves you in a cold sweat, head to the

Clifton and DHA areas, where you will find a number of malls offering a range of brand-name outlets in air-conditioned surroundings.

### Zaibunnisa Street

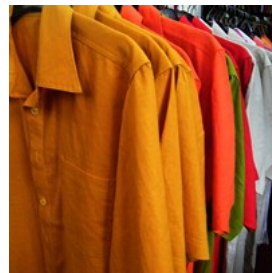


One of the city's liveliest arteries, the Zaibunnisa Street has historically been a bustling commercial centre, lined with all manner of shops and old colonial buildings. The street remains a prime shopping location today, with outlets selling higher-end clothing, shoes, jewellery, and more.

Photo: Amlan Mathur/Shutterstock.com

Address: Zaibunnisa Street, Karachi

### Zainab Market



The maze of Zainab Market is primarily known for selling cheap export-quality clothing, originally manufactured for reputable international brands. Clothing items on sale are overwhelmingly without fault, but did not quite make the cut to be shipped on to overseas distributors. Leather, woven rugs, shawls, jewellery, spices, and many further goods are sold here - remember to haggle.

Photo: DESIGNFACTS/Shutterstock.com

Address: Abdullah Haroon Road, Karachi

Internet: [www.instagram.com/zainabmarketpk](http://www.instagram.com/zainabmarketpk)

### Dolmen Mall



When it comes to shopping centres, the Dolmen Mall in Clifton knows no competition. It's a one-stop shopping location for clothing, shoes, accessories, and even groceries. A few local and international store brands are represented, including the well-known British retailer Debenhams. There is a food court and children's entertainment centre on-site.

Photo: kikovic/Shutterstock.com

Address: The Harbour Front, HC-3, Block-4, Marine Drive, Clifton, Karachi

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 11am-11pm, Fri 3pm-midnight, Sat 11am-midnight

Phone: +92 21 111 362 111

Internet: dolmenmalls.com/clifton

### Empress Market



The Empress market's story dates back to the times of the British Raj, when it was first inaugurated and named after the then-empress Queen Victoria. It remains in operation today, and is a busy marketplace selling all manner of produce, including that which isn't in stock at markets elsewhere in the city.

Photo: K\_Boonnitrod/Shutterstock.com

Address: Saddar Bazar Quarters, Karachi

Opening hours: Daily 7am-11pm

### Lucky One Mall



The shopping hot spot of the city's north is Lucky One Mall, an enormous shopping complex that ranks among the largest in the world. Apart from an abundance of retailers, the mall also houses a two-storey theme park for visitors of all ages, as well as an outdoor food street with a variety of restaurants.

Photo: Yummy pic/Shutterstock.com

Address: LA-2/B, Block 21, Rashid Minhas Road, Karachi

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 11am-11pm, Fri 3pm-midnight, Sat 11am-midnight

Phone: +92 21 3632 1311

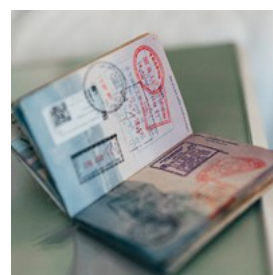
Internet: luckyone.com.pk

## TOURIST INFORMATION



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### Passport / Visa



Most travellers need to apply for a visa before entering Pakistan. This can be done online through the Pakistan Online Visa System or at one of Pakistan's diplomatic missions. The tourist eVisa allows a stay of up to 30 days and must be used within 90 days of issuance. Required

documents include a passport photo, a copy of the passport, a travel itinerary, and an invitation letter.

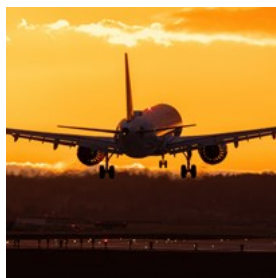
Visa on arrival is available for citizens of 65 countries, applicable to those travelling as part of an organised tour group or for business. This visa allows a 30-day stay. Nationals of the Maldives, Nepal, Samoa, Tonga, and Trinidad and Tobago enjoy visa-free entry to Pakistan.

Indian passport holders, as well as foreigners of Indian origin, face additional regulations and are not issued tourist visas. Instead, they may enter on different visa types, such as for business or religious tourism. Indian citizens, along with those from Bangladesh, Bhutan, Israel, Nigeria, Palestine, Somalia, and Uganda, must register with the police upon arrival.

For the latest information, always check with the official Pakistan Online Visa System or your nearest Pakistani diplomatic mission.

Photo: ConvertKit/unsplash  
Internet: [visa.nadra.gov.pk](http://visa.nadra.gov.pk)

### Jinnah International Airport (KHI)



The Jinnah International Airport lies 15 kilometres northeast of the city. Taxis are always available for hire outside the arrivals building. It takes approximately 25 minutes to travel from the airport to downtown Karachi. Agree on the price before boarding the cab, and familiarise yourself with the average fare at your time of travelling.

A bus runs from dusk to dawn every 30 minutes. The journey takes approximately 50 minutes, but

heavy traffic may extend this time.

Photo: Johannes Kirchherr/pixabay

Phone: +92 21 9907 1111

Internet: [karachiairport.com.pk](http://karachiairport.com.pk)

More Info: Formerly known as Drigh Road Airport or Karachi Civil Airport

### Best Time to Visit



The best times to visit Karachi are either at the very start of the summer monsoon season (in July), or during the winter months (from December to February). Mind that Karachi maintains rather high humidity levels throughout the year. The summer months, roughly from May to September, tend to get quite hot, temperatures sometimes reaching highs of 45°C.

Photo: Tahamie Farooqui/unsplash

### Public Transport



Red Bus Karachi (Peoples Bus Service), with air-conditioned buses and priority seating for disabled and elderly passengers, runs on several routes across the city. The red buses serve the general public, while the pink buses are for women only.

Karachi Circular Railway (KCR) is a partially revived system that connects key areas and aims to expand with electric trains.

Auto rickshaws are widely used for short distances, offering an affordable and quick way to navigate through the city. Rickshaw drivers often park near commercial centres on busy

roads.

Mad Max-style old-fashioned buses are fascinating to look at and can be considered art, but they aren't particularly safe, comfortable, or predictable.

Photo: Sergey-73/shutterstock

Internet:

[www.zameen.com/blog/public-transport-karachi.html](http://www.zameen.com/blog/public-transport-karachi.html)

### Taxi



The taxi hiring app Careem operates in Pakistan. You could also ask your hotel to call you a cab from a trusted company. The

black-and-yellow taxis do not use meters, so agree on the price in advance and enquire at your hotel about approximate fares if you intend to use these.

Convenient, metered, private taxis also operate around the city. White Cab is well-reputed.

Photo: Rasor/pixabay

Phone: +92 21 111 789 786

Internet: [www.whitecab.pk](http://www.whitecab.pk)

### Post



Pakistan Post, the state enterprise and largest postal operator in the country offers a broad array of services, from traditional mail delivery

to more modern logistical solutions, ensuring reliable connections across both urban and remote areas. Karachi City General Post Office is located close to the State Bank Museum & Art Gallery.

For shipping valuables, there are private delivery services like DHL.

Photo: Diana Light/unsplash

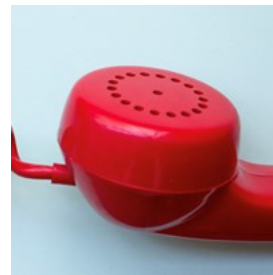
Address: Talpur Road, Karachi

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-9pm, Sun closed

Phone: +92 21 9921 7251

Internet: [www.pakpost.gov.pk](http://www.pakpost.gov.pk)

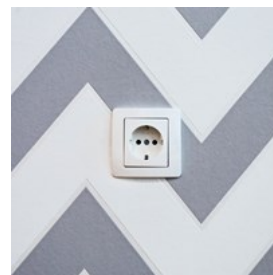
### Telephone



Country code: +92 Area code: (0)21

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### Electricity



In Pakistan, you will encounter two plug types. Type C comes with two round pins and is common in continental Europe. Type D has three round pins in a triangular pattern. Expect 230V at 50Hz.

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### Population

20.4 million

### Currency

1 Pakistani rupee (PKR or Rs) = 100 paisa

### Opening hours

Generally speaking, the workweek is Monday to Friday, with Friday being a half-day. Sometimes Saturday is also a half-day, but Sunday is always off. Government offices operate from 8/9 am to 5/6 pm, while private businesses tend to start operations at about 10 am. Restaurants and cafes tend to stay open later, until about 9/10 pm.

### Newspapers

The Frontier Post: [thefrontierpost.com](http://thefrontierpost.com)

Daily Pakistan: [dailypakistan.com.pk](http://dailypakistan.com.pk)

The Express Tribune: [tribune.com.pk](http://tribune.com.pk)

## Destination: Karachi

The Dawn (Karachi-based, English-language):

[www.dawn.com](http://www.dawn.com)

The News (Karachi-based, English Language):

[www.thenews.com.pk](http://www.thenews.com.pk)

Jang (Karachi-based Urdu Language): [jang.com.pk](http://jang.com.pk)

### **Emergency numbers**

Ambulance: 115

Police: 15

Fire brigade: 16

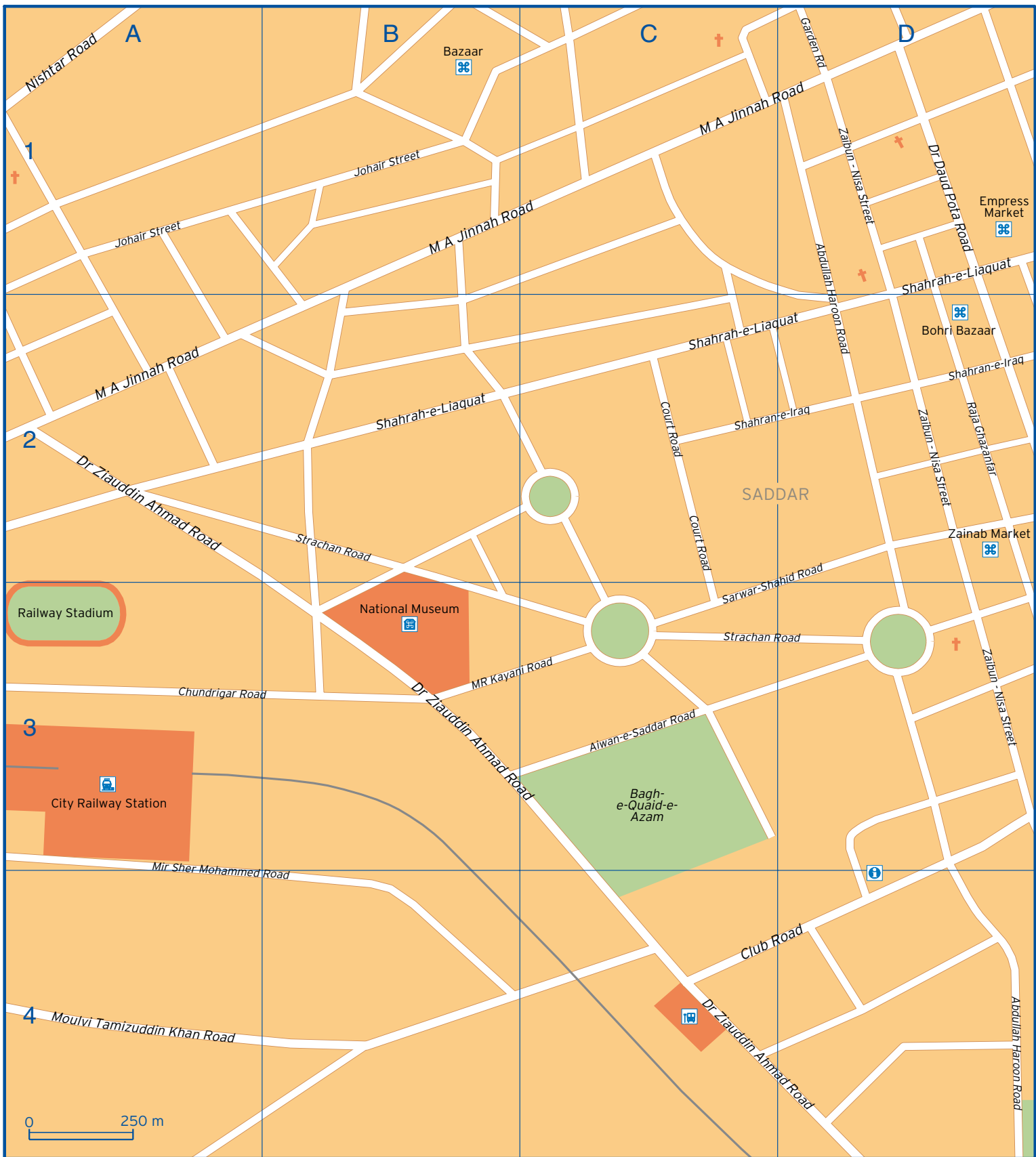
### **Tourist information**

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