

Preparation for Hajj- 4 to 5 months work

Pillar of Islam- Hajj (Fifth pillar)

Hajj is an act of worship, it must be performed in peace, and with single minded devotion.

The month "Dhu al-Hijjah" literally means "Possessor of the Pilgrimage". It is during this month that pilgrims from all around the world congregate at [Mecca](#) to visit the [Kaaba](#). The Hajj is performed on the 8th, 9th and the 10th of this month and some ritual is done on 11th and 12th of the month. [Day of Arafa](#) takes place on the 9th of the month. [Eid al-Adha](#), the "Festival of the Sacrifice", begins on the tenth day and ends on sunset of the twelfth.

KINDS OF HAJJ

There are three ways of performing the Hajj:

☞ **Hajj al-Tamatt'u (Interrupted), Hajj al-Qiran (Combined), Hajj al-Ifrad (Single)**

All Muslims who fulfill certain conditions must perform Hajj at least once in their lifetime.

It is obligatory for a person to perform hajj who is in good health and has the ability.

- Your intention must be to perform Hajj solely for the sake of Allah.
- All Hajj expenses must be paid out of money obtained through legitimate (Halal) means.
- All of your debts and financial obligations must be fully discharged before you start your journey and, where necessary, a written acknowledgement of the transaction obtained for future use.
- You must make an honest effort to resolve your outstanding differences with others and seek forgiveness from those you may have hurt in any way in the past.

Arrangements must be started early enough so that you are not rushed for time in the few days before your voyage commences. The paperwork, shopping, finalizing your travel and residential arrangements inside Saudi Arabia etc.

Most of all you learn all the dua we will need for Hajj,

Things you need to take **1. Knowledge and patience** and some things you will need in Hajj.

Ihram for man - The Ihram consists of two pieces of white, unsewn and 	plain cloth, either 100% cotton or light terry-cloth. The sizes of the two pieces are as follows: Bottom Part : 45" (1 1/4 yd) x 120" (3 1/3 yd)
Top Part : 45" (1 1/4 yd) x 72" (2 yd)

For Woman - It should cover her whole body but not face and two hands

After the intention to do Umrah for hajj we say: Talbia

*"Labbayk,
Allahumma Labbayk.
Labbayk.
La shareeka laka.
Labbayk.
Innal-hamda wan-n'imata
laka wal-mulk.
La shareeka lak."*

(Here we come,
O Allah, here we come !
Here we come.
No partner have You.
Here we come!
Praise indeed, and blessings, are Yours-the
Kingdom too!
No partner have You!)