

Sheikh Zayed Desert Learning Centre

Al Ain, United Arab Emirates



Deserts Over Time

The Sheikh Zayed Desert Learning Centre (SZDLC) is the centrepiece attraction at Al Ain Wildlife Park and Resort, the city's most visited destination. Named after the UAE's founding president, the SZDLC showcases Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan's legacy of environmental conservation.

APA worked with local scholars, scientists and environmental agencies to design exhibits that would do justice to this legacy as well as the Centre's monumental architecture. Visitors connect with the people and wildlife of the desert through five iconic galleries. Big issues like sustainability and stewardship become accessible as local geologists, wildlife biologists and conservationists address visitors through multimedia displays. Visitors leave the park with a better understanding of their role in global conservation and regional sustainability.

