

A BRIEF GUIDE TO HAJJ

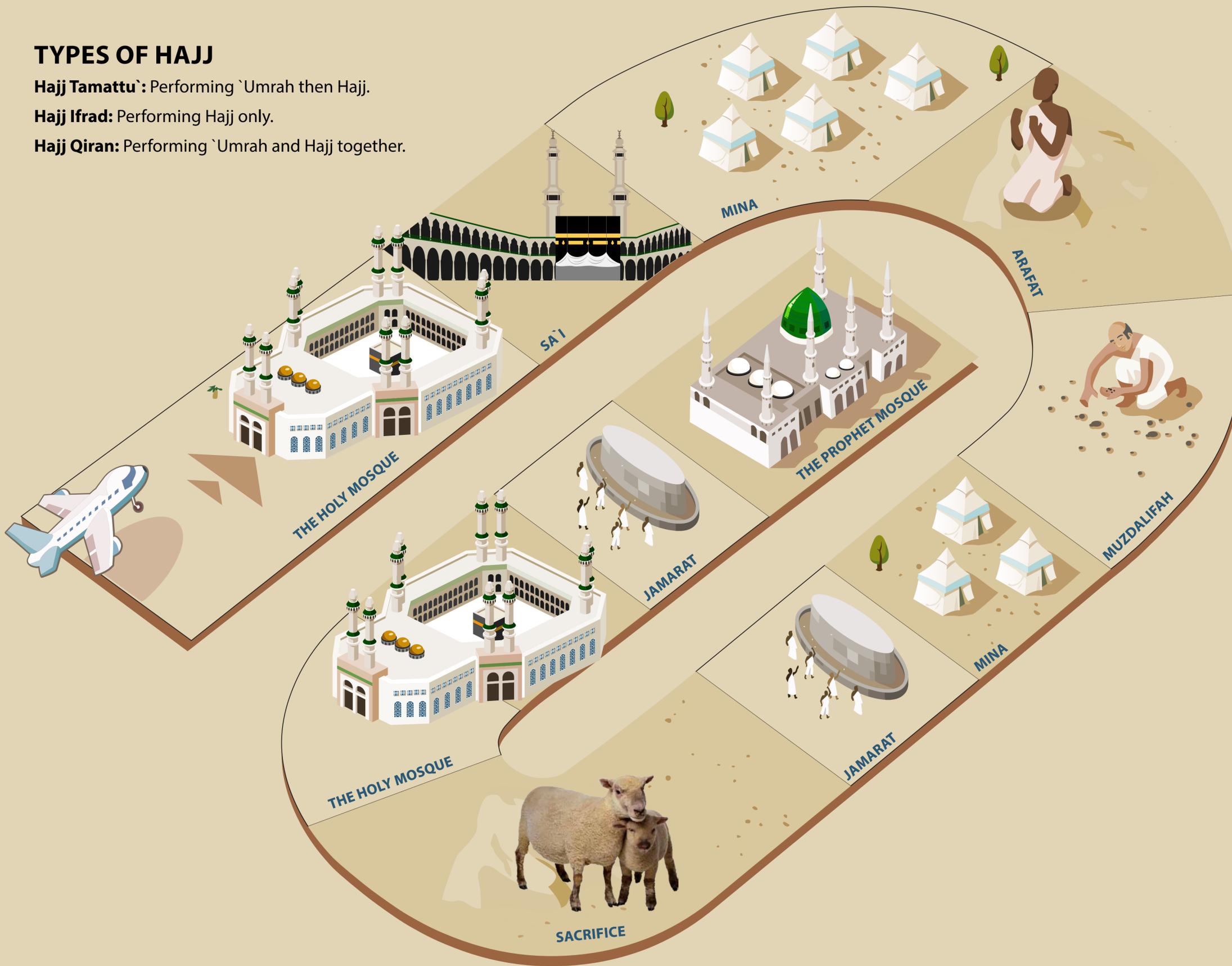
Rituals of Hajj

TYPES OF HAJJ

Hajj Tamattu`: Performing `Umrah then Hajj.

Hajj Ifrad: Performing Hajj only.

Hajj Qiran: Performing `Umrah and Hajj together.



1-IHRAM

Make the intention, take a bath, apply perfume, wear the ihram cloth, and offer a two-rak`ah prayer.

2-TALBIYAH

For Hajj *Tamattu`* one says, "Labbayk Allahumma bi `Umrah (Here I am, O Allah, for `Umrah)."

For Hajj *Qiran*, one says, "Labbayk Allahumma bi Hajjah wa `Umrah (Here I am, O Allah, for Hajj and `Umrah)."

For Hajj *Ifrad*, one says, "Labbayk Allahumma Hajjan (Here I am, O Allah, for Hajj)."

3-TAWAF

Upon entering the Holy Mosque, the pilgrim should make Tawaf, then pray two rak`ahs.

4-SA'I

In Hajj *Tamattu`*, sa'i must be offered for `Umrah but in Hajj *Ifrad* and *Qiran*, sa'i can be delayed.

Then, the one performing Hajj *Tamattu`* shaves his head or cuts the hair. By this the `Umrah is done, and thus he exits *ihram* completely.

On the 8th of *Dhul-Hijjah*, the one doing *Tamattu`* enters *ihram* for Hajj, recites the talbiyah, and says, "Labbayk Allahumma Hajjan (Here I am, O Allah, for Hajj)."

5-TO MINA

The pilgrim goes to *Mina* and prays *Zuhr*, `Asr, *Maghrib*, `Isha' and *Fajr* there.

6-TO ARAFAT

By the sunrise of the 9th day of *Dhul-Hijjah*, the pilgrim moves to `Arafah spending his time in making dhikr and du'a.

7-TO MUZDALIFAH

When the sun sets, the pilgrim goes to *Muzdalifah* and stays overnight in it.

8-BACK TO MINA

Before the sun rises, he goes to *Mina* where he throws *Jamarat al-`Aqabah*.

9-SACRIFICE

On the 10th day of *Dhul-Hijjah*, the pilgrim slaughters his sacrificial animal, then shaves his head or cuts his hair. Now everything is permissible except having intercourse with one's wife.

10-BACK TO MAKKAH

Then the pilgrim goes back to *Makkah* and does tawaf and sa'i for Hajj.

After tawaf and sa'i, the pilgrim goes back to *Mina*, and throws the three *jamarats* during those two days. Then, he exits *ihram* completely.

11-FAREWELL TAWAF

Upon leaving, one should not move out of *Makkah* until he has performed the farewell tawaf.

• Visiting the Prophet's Mosque

It is highly recommended to visit the Prophet's Mosque in *Madinah*.