

Kurdistan May - Dec 2010, Erbil (Hawler), Permam (Salahhaddin), Shaqlawa, Duhok, Sulaimani

"Erbil" is derived from the Assyrian word "Arba-Illu" meaning "Four Gods".



Dubai – beam me up...



Erbil May



Citadel Fountains



Qala't Erbil, Citadel - 6000BC



View back



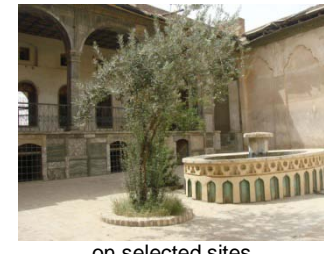
View North East



ruins



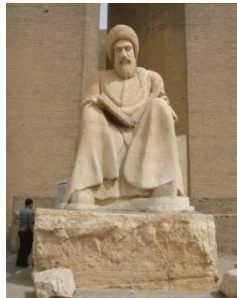
Restoration is starting...



on selected sites.



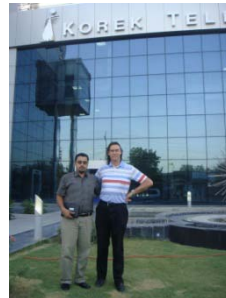
after clearing residents.



Mubarak Ben Ahmed Sharaf-Aldin (1169-1239), known as Ibn Almustawf



Gold shops in Bazaar



Reunion with Nawras from Iraqna



Tavi the "monkey" makes it look easy.



Minaret of the Madrasa of al Muzaffar 1190



Textile Museum, Citadel.



Restored Govt Bldg Citadel.



Citadel



Grilled Carp



Main Mosque



Reunion with Laith & Asif.



Majdi Mall



Soil Petrol BP ripoff?



Cable Car & Park



Minaret Park – old Saddam base.



Another Mosque



Private Residence road to Permam



Korek HQ Permam



Korek Fountain



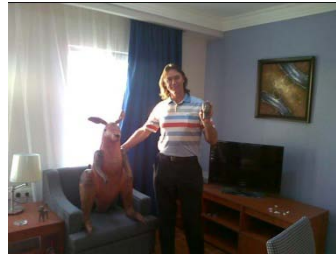
KMC Bldg Korek (Switch)



Steep incline, brake failures.



Watch for runaway trucks.



My company unit...



Kebabs on the lawn..



My 51st birthday with my Bangladeshi & French colleagues.



On way to Suli...



Striking geologic formations.



Mamy mountains.



Asiacell HQ, Sulimanyia.



Beer, Iranian chips & a local.



Locals up Suli lookout...



Asked us for BBQ dinner.



Sunset in Suli.



German pub, Germany 4 Aust 0.



Lebanese food with Ericsson.



Great food.



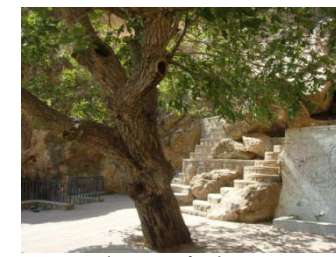
Muhsin & Ehab (E//).



Not very good at this.



Shaqlawá.



..nice spot further up.



Relaxed before the heat...



Another good picnic spot.



ANZAC Day 2010



Nice rug except for hole burnt in it.



Souvenir shop Textile Museum.



Anwer, Kurdistan Mountain Climbing.



Young pups training.



Lunch kurdish style.



Local livestock.



Road to Duhok.



Paying our contractors too much.



Duhok.



FTZ. 20km North of Mosul.



Lunch with Korek team, Duhok.



Over the hills & fara way.



Manu preparing to fly.



He's off.



Ill just watch thanks.



..us too.



Paragliding training.



Top of the pass.



UP in the hills for picnic.



Kurdish friends & workmates.



Locals giving impromptu concert.



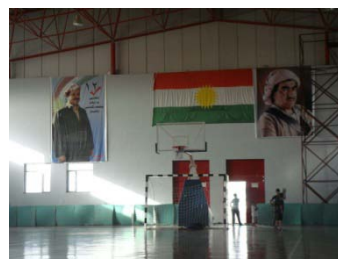
Another local.



Ground training.



Local kids watching.



Hall across from units – Barzani Pics



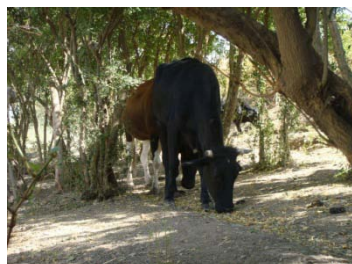
Watch where you sit!



Serge the French instructor.



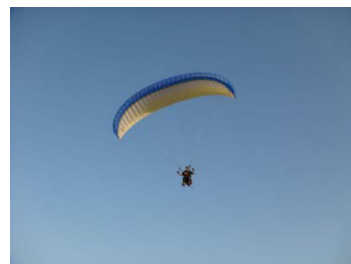
Another Anwer country lunch.



Company in the shade.



My maiden flight !



Wow, what a buzz.



Not much out here.



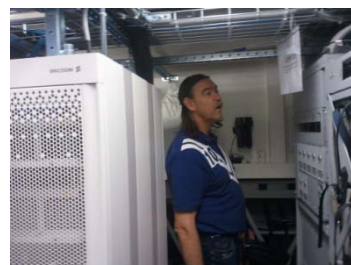
Serge in Paradise !!! Thx.



The half-height IT Director office.



New Switch Arrives.
Maurico, Shwan, Amir.



Millions of \$\$ worth.



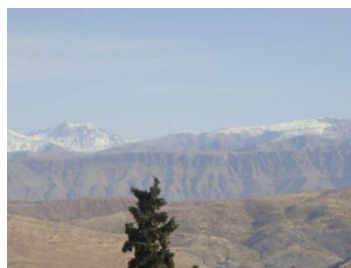
Snow coming Permam.



Yep.



A decent dusting.



Pretty in the morning.



Belinde at the Korek warehouse.



Shwan & Belinde.



Xmas Lights Ankaiwa Christian Area



...at the carwash, Permam.



Shwan helping get ...



...leaving souvenirs. Thx.



Lights go down on Kurdistan, Dec 23.