

# Architecture of Sovereignty

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Samad is a small village built atop a hill at the northernmost region of Ajloun. The location is rather stunning; on the edge of a rugged landscape raised above the rest of northern Jordan to form what geologists call the 'Ajloun Dome'. North as well as east of Samad, the landscape gets tamer; it gradually calms down becoming almost flat around Irbid, Huson and Nu'aimeh. Samad marks the end of oak forestland and overlooks the vast wheat land that stretches well into southern Syria.

