Sometimes it's necessary to travel to and from Dubai, and if the bus is too slow and the car is in the garage you'll probably have to take a taxi. The following figures are based on practical experience:

Al Ittihad Square, Abu Dhabi, to The Greens, Dubai (via silver Abu Dhabi cab, metered): cost AED 165

The Greens, Dubai to Al Ittihad Square, Abu Dhabi (via Dubai cab, metered): cost AED 255

The moral: if you're in Dubai and need to get to Abu Dhabi, call for an Abu Dhabi cab if you can afford to wait for it.
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