



Imperial Cities & the Desert from Casablanca 8 days/7 nights 10 JANUARY – 31 OCTOBER 2023



COUNTRY INFORMATION, FACTS & ADVICE

Keeping Healthy in Morocco

No vaccinations are required for Morocco. While there is a limited risk of Malaria in some parts of rural Morocco (remote areas of the sub-Saharan desert), it's not recommended to take anti-malarial drugs for travelers following standard city-based itineraries.

Morocco has a diverse geography, from the cooler, wetter Mediterranean and Atlantic coast in the north, to the desperately hot, arid deserts and mountains of the south. You can encounter a wide range of climatic conditions and you should be prepared.

Weather

Best Season to Travel

March, April, May, part of June, September & October - perfect warm temperatures (25 to 35 degrees Celsius) in the south, very little chance of rain and warm evenings, except in March and early April where evenings and mornings can be cooler (13° to 17°C).

Shoulder Season (winter)

Mid November to Mid-February is mostly warm (15 to 25 degrees Celsius) but can be very chilly in evenings and it may rain but rarely for long periods.

Hot Season (summer)

Mid-June, July and August can be very hot in Marrakech and in the south (up to 45 degrees Celsius), but more pleasant in the mountains and on the coast.

What to Pack

- First and foremost, we recommend layers to add and remove according to the varying temperatures
- Blouses/shirts with long sleeves to protect you from sun
- Cotton t-shirts and tops
- Fleece/jumper for the evening, temperatures drop at night in the desert
- Long trousers for the evenings for the same reason
- Light walking shoes/boots for any activities in the desert or mountains
- Sun Hat, sun glasses, sunblock
- Women need a scarf to cover their head and shoulders entering Muslim sites.
- Plug adapter: Morocco use 127/220V 50Hz

Religion & Etiquette

Morocco is an Islamic country. The religion is an integral part of the culture. Morocco is a land of tolerance, where Jews, Christians and Muslims live together in peace.

Money

Currency

The local currency is the Dirham (MAD). Foreign currencies can be converted at most banks, but it's not wise to carry too much. Pounds Sterling, US Dollars or Euros can be changed into local currency at any hotel, airport or bureau de change.

ATMs and Banks

ATMs are installed in most towns providing a secure and cost-effective way to retrieve money from your bank account or credit card

Credit cards

MasterCard, Visa and American Express are widely accepted, even in some shops in the souks, particularly for carpets.

IMPERIAL CITIES & THE DESERT

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DAY 1: ARRIVAL / CASABLANCA

Arrival at Casablanca Mohamed V Airport, meet and greet by your guide and continue for a half day tour of Casablanca; including Mohammed V Square, United Nations Square, Protectorate Square, the Royal Palace gates, and the inside visit of the Hassan II Mosque. End of the day, transfer to hotel for check-in, dinner and overnight.

DAY 2: CASABLANCA - RABAT - FES

Breakfast at the hotel, departure to Fez, passing through Rabat, the Administrative Capital of the kingdom, the visit include: the Royal Palace (exterior view only), the great fortress Kasbah Oudayas, the Mohamed V Mausoleum, and the Hassan Tower. Lunch at Restaurant. Continuation to Fez. Check-in to the hotel, dinner and overnight.

DAY 3: FEZ – MEKNES – VOLUBILIS – FEZ

Breakfast at the hotel, morning departure to Volubilis to visit Roman Ruins followed by Meknes, one of the Capital City in the past. Lunch at Restaurant. Then, return back to Fez, half day will be dedicated to discover the spiritual capital of the country; visit of the Medersas: Bouanania, the fountain Nejjarine and the Karaouiyyine mosque. Continue for photo stop at Borj Nord, Tanneries shop and free time shopping in Old Medina. End of the day, transfer back to hotel for dinner & overnight.

DAY 4: FES – IFRANE – MIDELT – ERFOUD – MERZOUGA

Breakfast at the hotel, then drive from Fez to Ifrane, which is a beautiful mountain town, often called as the Switzerland of Morocco. Stop near the cedar forest in the central Atlas Mountains, where you can watch the monkeys enjoy their freedom. Then visit the town of Midelt famous for its minerals and cool weather in summer. Lunch at Restaurant. Travel along the Ziz Valley, then visit Erfoud and its fossil products. Pick up by 4x4 for transfer to Merzouga. Have dinner and spend the night at the hotel.

DAY 5: MERZOUGA – ERFOUD – TINGHIR – TODRA GORGE - OUARZAZATE

Early wake-up and take the dromedary for a walk to attend the sunrise in the sand dunes of Merzouga;

Return to the hotel breakfast. Take 4x4 to Erfoud to meet the driver and drive to Ouarzazate. Travel along a scenic route to reach Ouarzazate, the capital of dates. You will pass the picturesque and densely planted palm grove of Skoura and continue to the Valley of a Thousand Kasbahs. From Skoura, you will drive east towards Kelaa El Mgouna. The Valley of Roses (main growing season between April and mid-May). (It does not have the largest cultivation of Persian roses. You will reach the impressive Dades Valley with its high limestone cliffs, beautiful palm trees and the narrow river. Lunch at Restaurant. Then continue and venture into the Todra Gorges to admire its gigantic rock walls and it's even more impressive palm trees grove that hides a flowing river. Arrival Ouarzazate, check in to the hotel, dinner and overnight.

DAY 6: OUARZAZATE – AIT BEN HADDOU - MARRAKECH

Breakfast at the hotel. Discover the secrets of Ouarzazate. Your sightseeing tour will include a visit to the Kasbah of Taourirt. Travel through the impressive Atlas Mountains to reach the exciting and exotic city of Marrakech. Along the way, you will stop at the fortified village of Ait Ben Haddou, the most exotic and best-preserved Kasbah in the entire Atlas region. As you pass the Tizi n'Tichka pass, the highest in the region at 2,260 meters, you will stop to marvel at the views and take some pictures. Free time in Kasbah Ait Ben Haddou. Lunch at Restaurant. Then continue to Marrakech, check-in to the hotel, dinner and overnight.

DAY 7: MARRAKECH FULL DAY

Breakfast at the hotel, full day devoted to visit Marrakech, the Red City. The visit includes: the Majorelle Gardens (entrance), the Koutoubia Mosque, the Menara Gardens, and the Bahia Palace (entrance). Lunch at Restaurant. Continuation in the afternoon with the souks and neighborhoods of the artisans, who show a variety of subjects. Finish the visit with a stop at the famous Djemaa El Fna Square and take advantage of its animation. Return to hotel, dinner and overnight.

DAY 8: MARRAKECH - DEPARTURE

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out. Transfer on time to the airport for the return flight.
* The client normally needs to be at the airport 3 hours before the departure flight.

***** END OF SERVICES *****

DETAIL OFFER

HOTEL QOUTED OR SIMILAR

CITIES	4* HOTELS OR SIMILAR	4/5* HOTELS OR SIMILAR	NO. OF NIGHTS
CASABLANCA	KENZI BASMA HOTEL	FARAH HOTEL	1
FEZ	L'ESCALE HOTEL	LE MERINIDES HOTEL	2
MERZOUGA	TOMBOUCTOU HOTEL	TOMBOUCTOU HOTEL – 4*	1
OUARZAZATE	CLUB HANANE HOTEL	OSCAR BY ATLAS HOTEL – 4*	1
MARRAKECH	DIWANE HOTEL & SPA	ADAM PARK HOTEL	2

PACKAGE PRICE

Rate per person sharing in DOUBLE room in USD		
BASE	4 STARS	4-5 STARS
2 PAX (6 SEATERS)	USD 1,945	USD 2,160
4 PAX (6 SEATERS)	USD 1,381	USD 1,575
6 PAX (17 SEATERS)	USD 1,111	USD 1,320
8 PAX (17 SEATERS)	USD 960	USD 1,165
10 + 1 (27 SEATERS)	USD 1010	USD 1,230
15 + 1 (40 SEATERS)	USD 860	USD 1,045
20 + 1 (40 SEATERS)	USD 805	USD 985
25 + 1 (48 SEATERS)	USD 750	USD 950
30 + 1 (48 SEATERS)	USD 715	USD 905
SINGLE SUPPLEMENT	USD 260	USD 320
SUPPLEMENT 6 LUNCH	USD 120	

INCLUDED IN THE PACKAGE

- ❖ Welcome and assistance upon arrival by your guide
- ❖ Transportation for the entire program
- ❖ **07 nights' accommodation in half board (Breakfast and Dinner)**
- ❖ English-Speaking guide available for the entire program
- ❖ City Guide for city visit from 20 pax and above
- ❖ Entrance fees to the monuments
(Hassan II Mosque / Volubilis / Bou Inania Madrasa / Kasbah Taourirt / Bahia Palace / Majorelle Garden)
- ❖ 1 bottle of water per person per day on the bus
- ❖ 4x4 transfer to the dunes + 1 camel ride

NOT INCLUDED IN THE PACKAGE

- ❖ PCR TEST
- ❖ **LUNCH**
- ❖ Tips
- ❖ Porters at airport and hotel
- ❖ Drinks at meals
- ❖ •Personal expenses
- ❖ Any other service not mentioned above

GENERAL TERMS AND DISCLAIMER:

- Tips are \$ 3 per person per day for the driver and \$ 4 per person per day for the guide. Cancellation fees will apply according to the providers' terms, generally 20% up to 40 days prior to arrival, 40% up to 20 days, 80% up to 7 days, 100% from 6 days prior to arrival.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

- The above quote is only an estimated cost.
- Rates are subject to change depending on new regulations to be established due to Covid-19. There is a strong possibility that new implementations will be applied to visit sites, museums, hotel rooms and transport, so prices may change in the near future. They may also change the hours of operation of the sites. We will inform you of any updates related to this matter.

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