

## Coulours of Morocco



## 10 DAYS COLOURS OF MOROCCO

Valid Till : Oct 2018

### Day 1: Marrakech

Upon arrival in Marrakech you'll be met and transferred to your hotel where you will receive a traditional welcome of mint tea. The rest of the afternoon and early evening are yours to spend at leisure. You may like to start your exploration of this remarkable and vibrant city, or relax in your hotel and discover its amenities. This evening, enjoy dinner at your hotel at your convenience. Overnight

### Day 2: Marrakech

Today you'll get to see what makes Marrakech such a popular destination. Take a guided tour of the Medina and souks with lunch at the bustling el Fna Square. This is the heart of Marrakech, a colourful gathering of winding alleyways that are home to an array of shops, cafés and restaurants, where aromatic scents drift through the air. In the souks you'll find treasures piled high. Whether you're looking for fragrant spices, colourful fabrics, souvenirs or just a few local snacks, you'll find it here. El Fna Square is the main attraction in the old town. During the day it's all about al fresco food, fresh juices, pastries, henna tattooists and the odd snake charmer. By night it transforms into an explosion of colour and sound with acrobats, singers, dancers and much more... Overnight

### Day 3: Marrakech

Today will be spent exploring some of Marrakech's historical sites, starting in the Majorelle Gardens. These 12 acre gardens were laid out by French artist Jacques Majorelle before being bought by Yves Saint-Laurent who has a memorial within. The gardens offer beautiful plant life as well as birds, ponds and splashes of vivid Majorelle blue. You'll also find the Islamic Art Museum of Marrakech within the grounds. You'll then move on to the Koutoubia Mosque, the largest mosque in Marrakech, famed for its minaret which has inspired other buildings such as the Hassan Tower of Rabat. Next on the tour is a visit to the fascinating Saadian Tombs which date back to the time of Sultan Ahman al-Mansur who reigned from 1578 to 1603. These remarkable tombs are renowned for their beauty, in particular their steles and stucco work. The last stop of your tour is the Bahia Palace and museum. Built to be the most impressive palace of its time, capturing the essence of both Islamic and Moroccan style, it is magnificent. After a busy morning sightseeing there is also a chance to take an optional spa treatment or alternatively, relax at your hotel. Overnight

### Day 4: Marrakech – Ouarzazate

Depart from Marrakech and head to the countryside of the Haouz plain. Travel up and over the Atlas Mountains over the Tizi n'Tichka pass for the long but breathtaking views of snow-capped mountains. As you descend into the desert scenery you pass clay villages before arriving at the city on the edge of the Sahara Desert. After a morning sightseeing you will enjoy lunch in the Medina at a local restaurant before returning to your hotel for an afternoon at leisure or free time to explore independently. Overnight

### Day 5: Ouarzazate

You'll spend today exploring Ouarzazate, known as the Hollywood of Morocco. Head over to the 17th Century Taourirt Kasbah which escaped ruin by becoming a Hollywood superstar, featuring in various films such as Gladiator and Prince of Persia. This afternoon you'll visit the Kasbah of Ait Ben Haddou, a UNESCO World Heritage site. The Kasbah is a masterpiece of Moroccan architecture, with its thick walls and intricate carvings. After a day of sightseeing, you'll enjoy a traditional Moroccan dinner at a local restaurant. Overnight

Thrones. This afternoon you'll enjoy a guided tour of a film studio before enjoying the rest of the day at leisure in the quiet desert oasis. Overnight

## Day 6: Ouarzazate – Taroudant

Between the High Atlas and the Anti-Atlas lies the old, extinguished volcano Jbel Siroua which peaks at 3304m. The bare mountain range is impressive, thanks to its wide panorama and craggy rock formations. In summer the area comes to life, when the desert nomads flee the heat of the Sahara and come to graze their sheep here. Crossing the southerly slopes of this bizarre volcano country for four hours, we reach Taroudant. Your day is free to explore Taroudant, the fifth royal city of Morocco which has a markedly provincial character, in the centre of a fertile agricultural region. The city's picturesque souks are too small to lose your way in, and a visit is highly recommended. The central square has a multitude of cafés that offer shade and the chance to watch life go by. Overnight

## Day 7: Taroudant – Agadir

After breakfast drive to Agadir. Next, head down to Agadir's port for lunch; options include seafood or international cuisine along the boardwalk with a view of the ocean. After lunch stroll along the port, people watch and visit the action packed fishing market where you can choose from an assortment of fish to have cooked for you on the spot. Next, visit the Valley of the Birds. The Valley of the Birds has pleasant, lush vegetation that draws in birds throughout the year. There is also a waterfall, zoo and aviary that you may want to visit once you've tired of the beach. Another option is to ask your guide to take you eight kilometers from the center of Agadir to see the Kasbah. Located on a hill north of the port, the Kasbah stands on the raised plateau of Ancient Talborjt and is one of the few relics left behind from the 1960 earthquake that destroyed old Agadir. Overnight

## Day 8: Agadir – Essaouira

Enjoy breakfast in one of Agadir's beachside cafes with views of the beach. The expansive fine sanded area is swept every morning and patrolled by police to ensure the best safety to Agadir's visitors. After breakfast, we drive along the ocean for almost 200 km towards Essaouira. On the Atlantic Ocean this town waves, with its white painted houses and their blue windows and doors, a well-designed picture. Since the 16th century, Essaouira has also been known by its Portuguese name of Mogador. The Berber name means the wall, a reference to the fortress walls that originally enclosed the city. Today can be devoted to bathing and relaxing on the beach of this coastal city. On the fortifications of the old town you'll be able to trace Portuguese, French and Berber architecture. Its whitewashed houses, cool breezes, relaxed atmosphere along with its friendly cafes, numerous craftsmen and the delicious fresh fish make this a charming place to stay the night. Overnight

## Day 9: Essaouira

Enjoy a morning visit to Essaouira which includes the stunning Portuguese battlement, a historic reminder of the seizure of the city by Europeans back in 1506. Here, you'll also spend some time in a local market, offering another great opportunity to shop for souvenirs. Take a stroll down on the medina to find plenty of small arts and crafts stores as well as cafés. You'll then visit the beach, the Jewish quarter and the government craft centre for silver. This afternoon is free to spend at leisure. Perhaps take another stroll through the medina or the markets in search of last minute gifts. You could also spend the time lounging on the beach, or enjoy a drink at a local café, watching the people passing by. Alternatively, you can simply relax at your hotel and enjoy an optional spa treatment. Overnight

## Day 10: Essaouira – Marrakech Airport

After breakfast, private transfer to Marrakech airport for your departing flight

### Notes

- You can modify the itinerary according to your specific budget, dates, interests or cities of arrival or departure
- The tour can be shortened, extended or modified to end wherever as the guests wish

### Included Services

- Private air-conditioned vehicle
- Private English speaking driver for the entire trip
- First class accommodation
- Daily breakfasts & some dinners
- Certified tour guide in Marrakech, Essaouira, Agadir
- Camel trek

- Departure transfer

## Encluded Services

- International air fare
- Travel Insurance
- Lunches / drinks
- Personal spending



## 2 HOTELS OR SIMILAR

CITIES	HOTELS 4*	HOTELS 5*
- FEZ	- MENZAH ZALAGH	- LES MERINDES
- RABAT	- MERCUR	- SOFITEL JARDIN DES ROSES
- MARRAKECH	- RYAD MOGADOR OPERA	- ROYAL MIRAGE DE LUX
- OUARZAZATE	- BERBER PALACE	- LES TOURMALINES
- CASABLANCA	- NOVOTEL	-KENZI TOWER
- MERZOUGA	- XALUCA	- XALUCA

## 3/ INCLUDES SERVICES

- Accommodation at 4\* & 5\* Hotels on BB
- Luxury private A/C car at disposal
- Private English speaking driver/guide
- Daily breakfast at your hotel
- Government-certified tour guides in Fez and Marrakech
- Monuments / Museums entrance fees
- 4WD Excursion to Merzouga dunes
- Airport transfers
- Taxes
- Our complete assistance

## 4/ EXCLUDED SERVICES & SUPPLEMENTS

- Tips for porters at Airport and Hotels
- Entrance fees to monuments as per the program except Hassan II Mosque in Casablanca
- Entrance Hassan II Mosque : **120 DH/pax**
- Lunches / dinner / Drinks during meals
- Tips for the Guide/Escort, the driver and his helper
- International round-trip airfare

## **Children Fare**

- Child below 12 years old sharing room with two (2) adults without extra bed: 65% of package cost.
- Child below 12 years old sharing room with two (2) adults with extra bed: 90% of package cost.
- Child below 12 years old sharing room with one (1) adult: 100% of package cost.
- Child 12 years old and above: 100% of adult cost.

## **Accommodation**

In the event that the accommodation stipulated in the tour itinerary or special

Accommodation arrangements as requested for are not available; every effort will be made by the Company for alternative accommodations of similar standard.

- Single Supplement: if you wish to occupy a single room, you are required to pay a single supplement amount.

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