

# MOROCCO PACKAGE 2022



## AUTHENTIC MOROCCO TOUR 10 DAYS/9 NIGHTS



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## Day 1: Welcome To Morocco

Upon your arrival at Casablanca airport, where we will meet you and drive to Casablanca. This latter is the largest city as well as it is the financial capital in the kingdom of Morocco. It has few sites to offer including Hassan II Mosque, the only one to be visited for non-Muslims. It is an iconic landmark which represents the modern face of Morocco in term of architecture. A beautiful walk by the shore is also worthy to feel the breeze of the Atlantic Ocean. Later on, check for our hotel. Overnight in Casablanca.



## Day 2: Casablanca - Rabat - Chefchaouen

After breakfast at your hotel. We will start our tour by visiting the spectacular Hassan II mosque – the second largest religious building in the world which is open to non-Muslims. We then set off to the administrative capital of Morocco, Rabat. In Rabat, you will visit The magnificent Kasbah of Oudayas, Hassan Tower with its uncompleted minaret, the Mausoleum of Mohammed V and the Hassan 2. After lunch, we will travel to Chefchaouen via the city of Ouazzan. Most of the drive will be over the foothills of the Rif Mountains before we arrive at the beautiful pearl of Morocco, Chefchaouen. Overnight in a Riad.

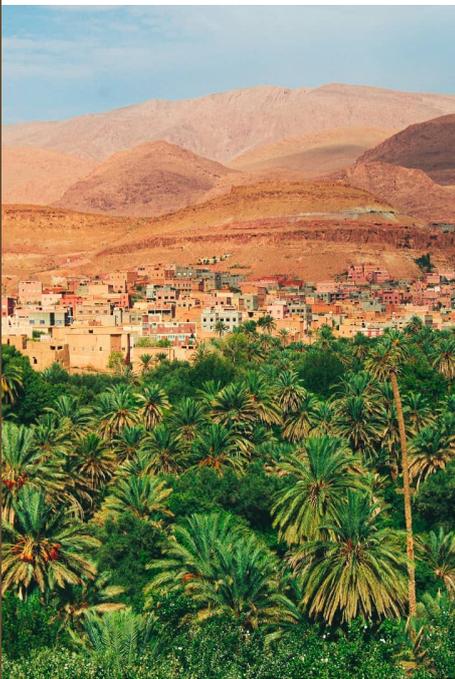
## Day 3: Chefchaouen - Fes

After breakfast, you will have free morning to explore this charming blue city. After lunch, we travel to Fes. Overnight in a traditional riad in the Medina.



## Day 4: Fes sightseeing

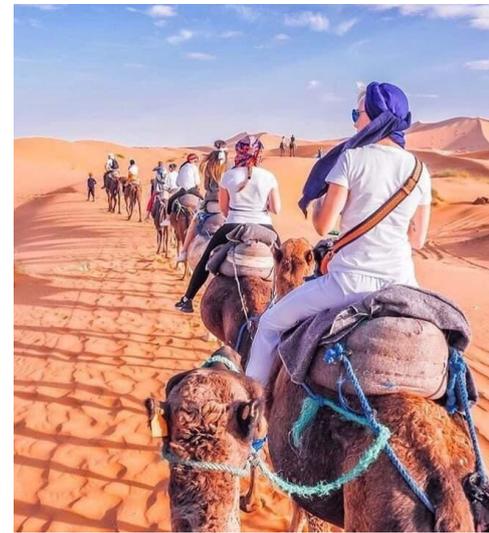
After breakfast, you will be met with a local guide with whom you'll start your city tour by visiting first the outside part of the Medina ( old city ) including The Royal Palace Gate, the Jewish Quarter "Mellah " – dates back to 14th Century. You'll also visit the ceramics Cooperative to see traditional Moroccan crafts. Afterward, you will cover the most important sites inside the medina with a cultural and historical interest including the superb architectural masterpiece of Bou Inania Medersa, Blue gate, the Karaouiyine Mosque, The Big Chouara Tanneries, Medersa Sefarin where people work on metal and other decorated architectural masterpieces like Attarin Medersa and the Najarian Fountain. In the afternoon, we will take you to the tombs of Merenids to admire a beautiful panoramic view of the medina. Overnight in your Riad.



**Day 5 : Fes –Ifran – Cedar Forest – Midelt – Ziz Valley – Sahara Desert** After breakfast, we will travel through the middle atlas mountains. On the way, we will stop at Ifran, a small charming, clean town, known as " Switzerland of Morocco " because of its similarity to a Swiss alpine resort. We continue south passing through the largest cedar forest in north Africa and home to barbary monkies, we will have a chance to take fascinating pictures and feed the monkies. After lunch in Midelt, we head south via Talghomt pass admiring the beautiful views and landscapes that nature offers us. We arrive at the region of Ziz valley where we will stop for a breathtaking panoramic view for this hidden oasis filled with palm groves. Within around one hour, we will arrive Sahara desert where your camels are waiting for you. After a rest, accompanied with a guide you will ride the camels and cross the high dunes of Erg Chebbi desert, see a magnificent sunset on top of a high dune, then continue trekking towards your camp where you will sleep ( tents like the nomads use). After dinner, you'll enjoy Berber music played by nomads around the fire and under a starry sky.

### **Day 6 : Tour of The Dunes – Visit Nomad Families – Merzouga**

Waking up early morning is " a must to " to see one that could be the most beautiful sunrise in your life. After breakfast, we will begin our desert excursion in the Sahara desert to explore the different parts of the desert. First, we will see the lake of Merzouga that is home to exotic birds, then head directly to the middle of Sahara desert where nomads with their animals still live a traditional life, we will sip a cup of tea with them and see how they live. Afterwards, we take the route where Rally Paris Dakar used to race, then we get to Mifis mines that once used to be exploited by France, time to visit them. We continue our journey by heading directly to Khamlia village that is inhabited by black Berber people originally from Mali, Niger ...We will have a chance to listen to their music and dance. Lunch in the village ( Berber Pizza). Then, we set off to visit an impressive oasis on the edge of sand dunes before we end up our day in your Riad



### **Day 7 : Merzouga – Rissani – Arfoud – Todra Gorges – Dades Valley**

After breakfast at your hotel. We'll leave the immense desert and travel towards the city of Rissani, once a major stopping place for the Saharan-caravans route; if it coincides the day markets which take place on Thursday, Thursdays and Sundays we will have an opportunity to visit the souk – the largest one in the region. We then set off to Erfoud – fossil town. Here, you will see stalls selling crystals and precious stones as well as fossils. The workshop using Marmar is open to visitors. We then continue our journey to Dades valley passing through villages such as Millab, Tinjdad, Ait Isa to arrive later to Todra valley which is a green one surrounded by mud villages and mountains. Driving around 30 min we get to Todra gorges: a narrow vertical passage with vertical cliffs 300m high rising dramatically on each side, they are a popular destination for climbing lovers. Lunch in the town, continue to Dades valley where you will see the fascinating rock formation known locally as "monkies fingers" as well as beautiful mud kasbahs. Overnight in a hotel overlooking the valley.



### **Day 08: Dades valley - Ouarzazate - Ait Ben Haddou - High Atlas Mountains - Marrakech:**

After getting up and have breakfast, we make ourselves ready to leave Dades for Marrakech. Our journey will take us driving through Rose Valley; famous for rose products. We go ahead via Skoura oasis and Ouarzazate known for being Hollywood of Africa because of its cinema studios and photogenic kasbahs such as Ait Benhadou Kasbah which has been registered as UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1987. A bunch of movies were filmed here such as: Gladiator, Prince of Persia, Astrix, and Game of Thrones... Later on, our trip takes us further way to Marrakech via Atlas Mountains enjoying its breathtaking views. Late afternoon we make it to Marrakech and check in for our hotel.

**Day 9 : Exploring Marrakesh** After breakfast, you will start your city tour exploring Marrakesh ( the red city of Morocco ). The guide will ensure that you see the most important spots with historical and cultural interest including The Bahia Palace, the Saadian tombs, Ben Youssef Koranic school as well as the largest traditional souk in Morocco. After lunch in one of the local restaurants, you can visit the Koutoubia tower and the Majorelle Gardens. Overnight in your riad.



**Day 12 : Back Home** Upon your flight details, we leave Essaouira for Casablanca airport. The drive to arrive will be around five hours. Drop you off at the airport. End of our services.

