# WONDERS OF MOROCCO TOUR



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# Morocco Escorted Tour & Flights

**Duration:** 15 days

Stay: 13 nights 4-star hotels, 1 overnight flight

Travel style: Escorted coach tour with flights from Australia

**Booking code:** MORWTT15M

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# 15 Days Wonders of Morocco Tour & Flights

# About the holiday

New wonders are around every turn on this exciting escorted tour of Morocco!

The two-week adventure offers a remarkable blend of experiences, from the coastal allure of Essaouira to the Saharan landscapes of Zagora, ensuring that every day brings a new and breathtaking backdrop to explore.

Uncover the rich history as you explore ancient ruins like Volubilis, discover the grandeur of imperial cities and roam through historic medinas that have stood the test of time. Venture into the Sahara in Zagora, where you can experience the magic of the desert dunes, perhaps even with a camel ride at sunset.

Indulge in the sumptuous flavours of Moroccan cuisine, from aromatic tagines to delectable pastries. Travel in comfort with hand-picked luxe hotels and air-conditioned coach or mini bus. Spend time learning from locals, wandering through walled cities, old quarters and souks. This fascinating creates unforgettable memories of Morocco.

# Why you'll love this trip...

Enjoy the comfort of 4-star accommodation & the ease of group travel
Discover historic architecture, ancient sites, imperial cities & kasbahs
Expert guides help you get more the most out of each destination
It's a worry-free journey, with many meals, sightseeing & flights included!

#### **Travel dates**

2024 - Departures from February to November - see the website for dates

Departures are subject to confirmation at time of booking. Price may vary depending on your travel date.

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#### **Escorted tour includes:**

- International flights return economy airfare to Casablanca & from Marrakesh
  - Fly from Australian capital cities with baggage (city prices may vary)
  - Airline taxes & fuel surcharges
- 13 nights accommodation in 4-star hotels
- 13 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 2 dinners
- Airport transfers arrival transfer on day 1 & shuttle on last day of tour
- Transportation in air-conditioned, modern coach or mini-bus
- Sightseeing as per itinerary
- 4x4 jeep safari
- Camel safari
- · Services of experienced local guides

# Package excludes:

Visa fees (if required)

Meals & sightseeing not specified in the inclusions or itinerary

Entrance fees to the sights & museums - see the itinerary for approx. fees

Optional tours & activities

Personal items, such as drinks, snacks, laundry, WiFi etc.

Gratuities for guides, representatives & drivers

Travel insurance is essential

Prices are based on twin share, please contact us for single rates

Subject to confirmation by airlines, hotels, tour company & local operators.

Booking conditions & cancellation fees apply.

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# Experiences on tour & special features:

- This 14-day adventure offers a remarkable blend of experiences, from the coastal allure of Essaouira to the Saharan landscapes of Zagora, ensuring that every day brings a new and breathtaking backdrop to explore.
- Recharge at hand-picked 4-star hotels.
- Uncover the rich history of Morocco as you explore ancient ruins like Volubilis, discover the grandeur of imperial cities, and roam through historic medinas that have stood the test of time.
- Relax and enjoy the journey with seamless travel arrangements, carefully chosen accommodations, and expert guides who will ensure you get the most out of each destination without the stress of planning.
- Venture into the Sahara in Zagora, where you can experience the magic of the desert dunes, perhaps even with a camel ride at sunset, creating unforgettable memories against the backdrop of endless sand.
- Indulge in the sumptuous flavours of Moroccan cuisine, from aromatic tagines to delicious pastries.
- No night drives, so you can rest comfortably. However, some long drives are required to cover all these incredible experiences.

# **Itinerary:**

#### Day 1: Depart for Morocco

Take off on your flights to Casablanca, Morocco

#### Day 2: Casablanca

Welcome to Morocco! Keep your eyes peeled at Casablanca Airport for your transfer to the hotel. Freshen up and meet in the lobby around 7:00pm for an informal meeting with your guide and other tour members. Afterwards you have free time to start exploring vibrant Marrakech or go out for an optional group dinner and mingle with fellow travellers.

- Accommodation
   Diwan Hotel 4 Star
- Included Activities
   Welcome Meeting
- Optional Activities
   Group Dinner 100 MAD

#### Day 3: Casablanca, Rabat, Meknes

Embark on a captivating Casablanca journey with a guided tour of the monumental Hassan II Mosque, a true marvel and the largest in all of Africa. This architectural masterpiece will leave you in awe of its intricate details and grandeur. Continuing your adventure, the tour will lead you to the remarkable United Nations Square, a vibrant hub that resonates with the cosmopolitan essence of the city. As you move on, immerse yourself in the elegance of the Anfa Residential Quarter, where modernity meets sophistication in the heart of Casablanca.

Gathering unforgettable memories, you'll then board a comfortable bus and follow the enchanting coastline towards Rabat, the captivating capital of Morocco. Nestled within a landscape bathed in warm amber hues, Rabat is a harmonious blend of ageold history and contemporary Moroccan vibrancy. The guided walking expedition through this imperial city will gradually unveil its beauty, taking you to pivotal sites including the Royal Palace and Chellah Ruins.

Your journey continues as you make your way to Meknes, a city steeped in its own history and charm.

- Accommodation
   Hotel Belle Vue 4 Star
- Meals Included Breakfast
- Included Activities
   Sightseeing of Hassan II Mosque
   Sightseeing of Anfa Residential Quarter
   Sightseeing of United Nations Square
- Entrance Fees
   Hassan II Mosque 130 MAD

## Day 4: Meknes, Volubillis, Chefchaouen

Today promises an enriching exploration as we delve into the treasures of Meknes, a city with a storied past and vibrant present. Our journey begins with visits to the awe-inspiring Bab Mansour, a monumental gate that stands as a testament to Meknes' architectural prowess and historical significance. As we wander through its majestic archways, we'll be transported back in time, connecting with the city's illustrious heritage. Continuing our expedition, we'll venture to the ancient Berber ruins of Volubilis, where echoes of centuries past reverberate through the timeworn stones.

Our journey takes us further to the charming Moulay Driss Zarhoun, a captivating enclave that holds the esteemed title of Morocco's cultural capital. Guided by our knowledgeable companion, we'll unravel the threads of the region's remarkable history and its profound influence on Moroccan culture.

As the afternoon sun paints the sky with hues of gold, we'll make our way to Chefchaouen, fondly known as the Blue City.

- Accommodation
   Hotel La Paloma 4 Star
- Meals Included Breakfast
- Included Activities
   Sightseeing of Meknes
   Sightseeing of Volubilis

# Day 5: Chefchaouen, Fes

Immerse yourself completely in the mesmerizing tapestry of Chefchaouen, often referred to as the Blue City, as we dedicate the day to its enchanting allure. Grab your cameras and embark on an adventure through the narrow, winding streets of this picturesque blue-washed mountain village. Don't miss the chance to soak in the vibrant energy of Outa el-Hammam Square, a hub of activity where local life unfolds against the backdrop of the blue cityscape.

Venture further to experience the natural wonders that surround Chefchaouen. A visit to the mesmerizing Ras el-Maa waterfall promises a refreshing and serene encounter with nature's beauty. The cascading waters and lush surroundings provide a perfect contrast to the vibrant blue of the city.

For a panoramic view that will leave you speechless, make your way to the Spanish Mosque. As the day progresses, we'll embark on a scenic drive that takes us to the cultural heart of Morocco - Fes. This second largest city in the country beckons with its rich history and a tapestry of experiences waiting to be unravelled.

- Accommodation
   Royal Mirage Hotel 4 Star
- Meals Included Breakfast
- Included Activities
   Sightseeing of Chefchaouen

## Day 6: Fes

Prepare to lace up your walking shoes and step into a captivating cultural odyssey through the imperial city of Fes. Let the allure of this historical gem unfold as you embark on an immersive journey, guided by the insights of a local expert. Our intensive tour will sweep you through the highlights, revealing the city's layered past and vibrant present. The adventure kicks off at the majestic Bab Bouloud Gate, a gateway to the Royal Palace that stands as a symbol of Fes' regal heritage. The Mausoleum of Moulay Idriss, a sacred site of pilgrimage, offers a glimpse into the spiritual heart of the city.

Our exploration takes us to Najjarine Square, a lively hub where history and contemporary life converge. As we journey on, the Mellah, Fes' historic Jewish Quarter, adds yet another layer to the city's cultural tapestry. Delve into the world of traditional pottery, witnessing skilled artisans at work and perhaps even trying your hand at the craft.

#### Accommodation

Royal Mirage Hotel - 4 Star

#### Meals Included

Breakfast

#### Included Activities

Sightseeing of Bab Bouloud Gate (Royal Palace)

Sightseeing of Bou Inania Medersa

Sightseeing of Mausoleum of Moulay Idriss

Sightseeing of Quaraouiyine Mosque

Sightseeing of Najjarine Square

Sightseeing of Spices Market

Sightseeing of Attarine Medersa

Sightseeing of The Surroundings of Karaouine Medina and Mellah (Jewish Quarter)

Tannery & Pottery Visits

# Optional Activities

Traditional Hamam - 300 MAD

#### Entrance Fees

Bou Inania Medersa - 10 MAD Attarine Medersa - 20 MAD

# Day 7: Fes, Marrakech

As the morning sun bathes the landscape in a warm glow, we'll set forth on our journey to the captivating city of Marrakech. This city serves as a confluence where the vibrant Arab urban culture intersects with the rugged authenticity of Berber life from the desert and mountain villages. As we step into the heart of Marrakech, get ready to don your haggling hats and embrace the vibrant energy of Djemaa el-Fna Square.

As the evening draws near, Djemaa el-Fna transforms into a twilight wonderland, where the vibrant tapestry of Marrakech's diverse cultures and traditions takes centre stage. Embrace the mayhem and let the magic of this square captivate your senses.

- Accommodation
   Blue Sea Le Printemps 4 Star
- Meals Included Breakfast
- Included Activities
   Sightseeing of Djeema El Fna Square in Marrakech

#### Day 8: Marrakech

Indulge in a delectable breakfast to kickstart a day of exploration and enchantment. Your journey through the vibrant tapestry of Marrakech begins by unveiling the city's key sites, each a treasure trove of history and culture waiting to be discovered. Marvel at the magnificence of the Koutoubia Mosque, venture onward to the Saadian Tombs, and Step into the opulent world of the Bahia Palace, where intricate architecture and lush gardens create a haven of tranquillity amidst the city's hustle and bustle.

At the Dar Si Said Museum, you'll be immersed in the artistic heritage of Marrakech, as intricate woodwork, vibrant textiles, and exquisite artifacts tell the story of the city's craftsmanship and creativity. As you move through these sites, the layers of Marrakech's history and culture will unfurl before you, offering a deeper understanding of the city's rich tapestry.

- Accommodation
   Blue Sea Le Printemps 4 Star
- Meals Included Breakfast
- Included Activities

Sightseeing of Saadian Tombs Sightseeing of Menara Gardens Sightseeing of Koutoubia Mosque Sightseeing of Bahia Palace

Entrance Fees

Bahai Palace - 70 MAD Menara Gardens - 10 MAD Saadian Tombs - 70 MAD Said Mausoleum - 70 MAD

# Day 9: Marrakech, Ouarzazate, Ait Ben Haddou

Following a satisfying breakfast, embark on a scenic journey to Ouarzazate, a place where the mesmerizing landscapes of Morocco's heartland unfold. Our destination is the renowned Berber Village of Ait Ben Haddou, a site that beckons with its timeless charm and cultural significance.

Prepare to be enchanted by the cinematic allure of Ait Ben Haddou, as you step into a world that has graced the silver screen in numerous Hollywood productions. As our journey continues, we'll take a moment to immerse ourselves in the warmth of Berber hospitality. A stop at a local Berber house offers the opportunity to connect with the heart of Morocco's cultural heritage.

- Accommodation
   Kenzi Azghor Hotel 4 Star
- Meals Included Breakfast
- Included Activities
   Sightseeing of Ait Ben Haddou
   Visit of Berber Village
- Entrance Fees
   Taourirt Kasbah 20 MAD

# Day 10: Ouarzazate, Zagora, Jeep Safari, M'hamid

Your venture into the endless expanse of the Sahara Desert is an adventure that promises to etch unforgettable memories. Follow the path that winds along the enchanting Draa Valley, a journey that unveils the subtle transition from the fertile greenery to the vast desert. The journey pauses at a serene oasis, offering a haven of shade and tranquillity. Here, indulge in a locally prepared lunch that reflects the flavours of the land, a moment of nourishment amidst the desert's grandeur. Zagora, situated at the edge of the Sahara, serves as the gateway to your desert odyssey. Here, the landscape transforms, and you'll transition to a 4×4 jeep safari, a vehicle designed to navigate the ever-shifting sands with grace and precision. As you journey deeper into the Sahara, the golden dunes of M'hamid beckon.

- Accommodation
   Desert Camp
- Meals Included Breakfast, Dinner
- Included Activities
   Panoramic View of Zagora Villages
   4X4 Jeep Safari

# Day 11: M'hamid, Camel Trek at the desert, Zagora

As the Saharan sun paints the sky with hues of gold, awaken to a moment that seems to transcend time itself. Embark on an adventure that truly embodies the spirit of the desert. Mount your camel, a trusty companion that has traversed these sands for generations, and set out across the vast Sahara.

The journey to our next camp in Zagora is a passage through both space and time. Feel the gentle swaying of your camel beneath you as you traverse the golden dunes, a symphony of grains and light unfolding before your eyes.

Arriving at your destination, a local house nestled in the heart of the desert, you'll share a meal that not only nourishes your body but also connects you to the essence of the land and its people.

- Accommodation
   Desert Camp
- Meals Included
   Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
- Included Activities Camel Trekking
- Optional Activities
   Quad Biking 350 MAD

#### Day 12: Zagora, Agadir

Bid farewell to the desert's timeless embrace as you open your arms to the boundless expanse of the ocean. The transition from the mesmerizing Sahara sands to the sandy shores of Agadir marks a shift from one enchanting landscape to another. Stroll through the picturesque village, its quaint streets lined with treasures waiting to be discovered. As you explore, you'll find moments of reprieve along the southern Atlantic coastline.

- Accommodation
   Oasis Hotel & Spa 4 Star
- Meals Included Breakfast
- Included Activities
   Sightseeing of Atlas Mountains
   Sightseeing of Agadir
- Optional Activities
   Moroccan Hammam 300 MAD

# Day 13: Agadir, Essaouira

Re-join your fellow travellers on the coach and embark on a picturesque drive that traces the captivating curves of the ocean coast, weaving through verdant banana plantations that add a touch of vibrant green to the scenery. This journey leads us to the enchanting destination of Essaouira, a crown jewel among Morocco's sea-side getaways. Essaouira's allure is multifaceted, offering a delightful range of experiences that cater to every traveller's preference.

- Accommodation
   Hotel Des Iles 4 Star
- Meals Included Breakfast
- Included Activities
   Sightseeing of Essaouira

## Day 14: Essaouira, Marrakech

Time to bid farewell to the ocean as you embark on a scenic drive to Marrakech through Argan trees. If you're lucky, you may meet goats climbing the trees! Late in the afternoon you will reach the fascinating city of Marrakech. It is where the Arab city culture meets the Berber culture of the desert and mountain villages. Here, the sub-Saharan traders would trade their wares with European merchants, who would then bring them to Europe. Wear your haggling hats as you discover Djemaa el-Fna Square and brace for the mayhem! Marking the entrance to the huge bazaar, the area is packed with story tellers, snake charmers, acrobats, musicians and folk dancers.

- Accommodation
   Wazo Hotel 4 Star
- Meals Included Breakfast
- Included Activities
   Sightseeing of Djeema El Fna Square in Marrakech
- Optional Activities
   Dinner Show 250 MAD

#### Day 15: Depart Marrakech, Fly to Australia

Have your final breakfast on us and start bidding farewells to your travel mates before checking out of the hotel (11:00). Time to start counting days for your next adventure with us and make your way to the airport for flights to Australia.

• **Meals:** Breakfast

Please note: The day-by -ay descriptions are intended as an indicative guide only. Travel by nature is unpredictable. Weather patterns, road conditions, public holidays, travel restrictions and many other factors may necessitate itinerary changes that are ultimately for the client's benefit. It is essential that clients are flexible in this regard.

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