

TURKEY & MOROCCO TOUR



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Turkiye & Morocco Escorted Tours & Flights

Duration: 17 days

Stay: 15 nights hotels, 1 overnight flight

Travel style: Escorted tour with flights from Australia

Booking code: TKMTT17M

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17 Days Turkiye & Morocco with Flights

About the holiday

Combine the history, culture and highlights of Turkiye and Morocco in one extraordinary holiday experience!

Start off in Turkey with vibrant Istanbul, where you'll discover the diverse history and incredible monuments before a cruise on the Bosphorus. Continue to the magical Cappadocia and watch the fairy-chimneys unfold from a hot-air balloon. Splash into white-washed thermal pools of Pamukkale and walk the impressive ruins of Ephesus. Then fly back to Istanbul in comfort.

Next up is Morocco and you'll traverse a breathtaking route that takes you from the bustling urban hub of Casablanca to the historic treasures of Rabat, the imperial wonders of Meknes, the ancient allure of Volubilis, the enchanting blue alleys of Chefchaouen, the medieval marvels of Fes, and finally, to the timeless beauty of Marrakech. Prepare to be swept away by the warm hospitality of locals, tantalised by the flavours of Moroccan gastronomy, and spellbound by the kaleidoscope of colours that paint the cities and countryside.

Whether you're an avid history buff, a photography enthusiast seeking that perfect shot, or simply a traveller with a penchant for authentic cultural encounters, this Turkiye and Morocco tour promises to be an immersive adventure of a lifetime!

Why you'll love this trip...

There is the ideal balance of included activities & time to explore at your leisure
Tour Istanbul, Cappadocia, Konya, Pamukkale, Meknes, Fes, Marrakech & more
The exciting package includes flights from Australia!

Travel dates

2024 & 2025 - Departs select dates from April to November

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

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Escorted tour package includes:

Flights - Return economy airfares to Istanbul & from Casablanca

Fly from Australian capital cities (surcharges may apply)

One-way economy airfares Istanbul to Casablanca & Marrakech to Casablanca

Accommodation - 15 nights in hotels as per the itinerary, or similar properties

8 nights Turkey in 4- & 5-star hotels

7 nights Morocco in 4-star hotels

Meals - 14 breakfasts, 5 dinners

Transportation - Air-conditioned, modern coach or mini-bus

Airport transfers, on day 1 in Turkey & Morocco as per the itinerary

Tour Guiding - Services of experienced tour leaders

Free Wi-Fi - Complimentary hotel Wi-Fi (where available)

Sightseeing - As per the itinerary with local guides

Package excludes:

Tourist visas (where applicable)

Reserved preferred seating on flights

Airport transfers not listed in the itinerary

Meals & sightseeing not specified in the inclusions or itinerary

Entrance fees, as outlined in the itinerary (*local costs may vary at time of travel*)

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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Itinerary:

Day 1 : Departs Australia

Check in for overnight flights to Turkey.

Day 2 : Arrive Istanbul

Welcome to Turkey! At the Istanbul airport terminal keep your eyes peeled for the local representative for your transfer to the hotel. Meet in the hotel lobby at 7:00pm for an informal meeting with your group and guide. Until then, you can start to explore Istanbul like climbing to the top of the Galata Tower for epic views or splash some cash at the Grand Bazaar. After the meeting, join in an optional group dinner at a local restaurant to get to know your new travel mates.

- **Accommodation**
Legacy Ottoman Hotel - 5 Star
- **Included Activities**
Welcome Meeting
- **Optional Activities**
Group Dinner

Day 3 : Istanbul City Tour

After breakfast, we begin to explore the magical old town of Istanbul. Stroll through the historical heart of the old city, making stops along the way to the Blue Mosque, Hippodrome, majestic Topkapi Palace and the Hagia Sophia. In the afternoon take an optional cruise down the Bosphorus river and see the epic skyline.

- **Accommodation**
Legacy Ottoman Hotel - 5 Star
- **Meals Included**
Breakfast
- **Included Activities**
Sightseeing of Blue Mosque
Sightseeing of Hagia Sophia
Sightseeing of Topkapi Palace Museum
- **Optional Activities**
Bosphorus Boat Cruise - EUR 10
- **Entrance Fees**
Blue Mosque - Free
Hagia Sophia - Free
Topkapi Palace Museum 1500 TL

Day 4 : Istanbul, Cappadocia

Today we sit back and relax in the coach. Watch the amazing Turkish scenery unfold before us and see small towns and villages as we pass on by. We will drive through the capital city of Ankara before we reach Cappadocia.

In the afternoon, we will visit Derinkuyu Underground City, a city complete with a church, wells, food stores, and even stables which is all located 60m under the ground. End the day with an optional traditional Hamman (Turkish bath).

- **Accommodation**
Avrasya Hotel - 4 Star
- **Meals Included**
Breakfast, Dinner
- **Included Activities**
Sightseeing of Derinkuyu Underground City
- **Optional Activities**
Turkish Bath Experience - 30 EUR
- **Entrance Fees**
Derinkuyu Underground City - 300 TL

Day 5 : Cappadocia

Rise and shine, it will be an early start for our optional sunrise hot air balloon ride over the stunning landscapes and fairy chimneys of Cappadocia. Or if preferred enjoy a leisurely start to the morning before we all fill up on breakfast. We will explore the UNESCO World Heritage listed Göreme, and tick off bucket list sights along the way including Göreme Museum, Pigeon Valley, Uchisar and Cavusin. Tonight, get your dancing shoes on for our optional Turkish Night.

- **Accommodation**
Avrasya Hotel - 4 Star
- **Meals Included**
Breakfast, Dinner
- **Included Activities**
Goreme Open Air Museum Visit
Sightseeing of Cavusin
Sightseeing of Pigeon Valley
Sightseeing of Uchisar
- **Optional Activities**
Turkish Night Show - 35 EUR
Hot Air Ballooning - 290 EUR
- **Entrance Fees**
Goreme Open Air Museum - 480 TL

Day 6 : Cappadocia, Konya

It's time to hit the road to Konya, home of the famous whirling dervishes - members of the Sufism order. Along the way we will stop at Ihlara Valley, a unique honeycombed canyon with rock-cut underground dwellings and churches from the Byzantine period.

You can relax and replay cherished moments of discovery at our overnight stay in Konya.

- **Accommodation**
Novotel Konya Hotel - 5 Star
- **Meals Included**
Breakfast, Dinner
- **Included Activities**
Sightseeing of Ihlara Valley

Day 7 : Konya, Pamukkale

Meet the diverse Turkish culture and its various facades today. Starting with an 8-century-old centre of education and architectural beauty, Karatay Madrasa, continue to the Museum and Mausoleum of Mevlana, also globally known as Rumi. Explore the ideas and works of the famous scholar, poet and theologian of the 13th century, whose teachings of understanding and acceptance have lived on to this day. From cultural to natural wonders, we travel towards the Cotton Castle of Turkey, Pamukkale. Your seat for dinner is already reserved at the hotel restaurant.

- **Accommodation**
Hierapark Hotel - 4 Star
- **Meals Included**
Breakfast, Dinner
- **Included Activities**
Sightseeing of Karatay Madrasa
Mevlana Museum Visit

Day 8 : Pamukkale, Ephesus, Kusadasi

Get your cameras ready, as it is time to visit Pamukkale, or 'cotton castle' in Turkish. Pamukkale is a natural site that contains hot springs and travertine, giving the appearance of terraces made by carbonate minerals left by the flowing water. The ancient city of Hierapolis was built on top of the white castle and people have bathed in its pools for thousands of years. Our next stop is the spectacular, well preserved ancient city of Ephesus. Ephesus was cited in the book of Revelations, and historians believe the Gospel of John was written here. Famed for the Temple of Artemis which was completed around 550 BC and is one of the seven wonders of the ancient world. We will sleep overnight in the seaside town of Kusadasi.

- **Accommodation**
Signature Blue Resort - 5 Star
- **Meals Included**
Breakfast, Dinner
- **Included Activities**
Sightseeing of Pamukkale White Terraces
Sightseeing of Ephesus Ancient City

- **Entrance Fees**
Pamukkale White Terraces - 700 TL
Ephesus Ancient City - 700 TL

Day 9 : Kusadasi, Izmir, Istanbul

After breakfast, transfer to Izmir airport for your flight to Istanbul. Transfer to hotel remainder of the day is free in Istanbul.

Istanbul is a major city in Turkey that straddles Europe and Asia across the Bosphorus Strait. Its Old City reflects cultural influences of the many empires that once ruled here. In the Sultanahmet district, the open-air, Roman-era Hippodrome was for centuries the site of chariot races, and Egyptian obelisks also remain. The iconic Byzantine Hagia Sophia features a soaring 6th-century dome and rare Christian mosaics.

- **Meals Included**
Breakfast

Day 10 : Kusadasi, Izmir, Istanbul, Fly to Morocco

After breakfast, transfer to Istanbul airport for your flight to Casablanca in Morocco.

Welcome to Morocco! Keep your eyes peeled at Casablanca Airport for the local representative sign 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
- **Meals Included**
Breakfast
- **Included Activities**
Welcome Meeting
- **Optional Activities**
Group Dinner - 100 MAD

Day 11 : 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 age-old 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 12 : Meknes, Volubilis, Chefchaouen, Tetouen

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 13 : Tetouen, 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 14 : 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 15 : 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.

When 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 Djemaa El - Fna Square in Marrakech

Day 16 : 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 tranquility 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 17 : Marrakech

Have your final breakfast on us and start bidding farewells to your travel mates before checking out of the hotel (11:00). As you step out into the world beyond, let the countdown begin for your next adventure.

- **Meals:** Breakfast

Please note: The day-by-day 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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