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MARRAKECH AND SAHARA













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4 DAYS - MARRAKECH & SAHARA

Day 1 - Marrakech - Ouarzazate we pick you up at the airport, riad or hotel and cross the Atlas Mountains. The winding roads, changing scenery, colorful valleys, shepherds with their flocks, Berber villages high up on the hillsides, make this a picturesque drive. And when we get to Tizi'n Tichka Pass, we'll be at the highest point in the Atlas Mountains. Of course, we stop for photos and to breathe in some fresh mountain air.we'll head to the 11th century kasbah of Ait Ben-Haddou, now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The architecture and the history are sure to impress you. Not to mention the views of the surrounding: the flowing river, the palm trees. Heading to the quiet town of Ouarzazate we will have a traditional lunch before visiting the Taourirt Kasbah. This building provided the backdrop for the Hollywood hit Star Wars and it has been restored with financial assistance from UNESCO.

Dinner and accommodation.

Day 2 - Ouarzazate - Desert of Merzouga

After breakfast we will continue our route to the desert of Merzouga via Dades Gorges and Tinghir Todra Gorges on the track to cross the oasis of Skoura (Kasbahs and palm), then by road through the Valley of Roses and the Dades Valley (thousand Kasbah road) arrival in the Todra Gorge, lunch. In the afternoon, continue by road to Erfoud then to Merzouga to get to the dunes after relaxing a few minutes and take a camel trek enjoying a beautiful sunset at the top of the dunes of Erg Chebbi, the camp located in the desert. Dinner and overnight in bivouac (nomad tent). and druming party with berber people.

Day 3 - Desert of Merzouga - Marrakech

An early wake up to enjoy the sunrise over the highest dunes of Erg Chebbi in Merzouga one of the best moments of the desert, afterwards you will have breakfast in the camp, pack and go back either on camels or by 4x4 leaving the dunes behind. Back on the asphalt roads, you will drive to Marrakech through Alnif, Tazarine, Draa valley, Agdez and Ouarazazate. In Ourazazate we will have free time for lunch and a photo stop in front of the famous Taourirt Kasbah. Afterwards we will continue to Marrakech, Crossing again the Atlas Mountains and the Berber villages between Ouarzazate and Marrakech.

Dinner and accommodation. (half pension)

Day 4 - Tour in Marrakech

Today will have an optional private guided tour of Marrakech Medina with an official guide from Marrakech. You will see the famous mosque of koutubia, the medina and its souks, and explore some more of Marrakechs's secrets: Ali ben Youssef Koranic school, the Saadian the bahia Palace and Majorelle Gardens, night at a Riad in the Medina.

End of our services.



THIS CIRCUIT INCLUDES

- Modern air conditioned 4x4 vehicle or Minibus.
- Pick up and transfer to the hotel or airport.
- Travel insurance.
- Berber tent accommodation in desert with enough blankets.
- Experienced driver/guide English speaking.
- Fuel, tolls and all associated expenses.
- Dinners and breakfasts (Vegetarians are welcome).
- It is possible to take a backpack with you on the camel.
- Sunrise and sunset camel treks.

NOT INCLUDED

- Noon meal. (Possibility of picnic or restaurants).
- Tips and personal miscellaneous expenses.
- Entry fees to Monuments / Museums / Kasbahs
- Anything not mentioned in the program

IMPORTANT NOTES

- Possibility of departure from other cities. Please consult.
- Possibility of carrying out the program in first, superior or moderate luxury category. Please consult.





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ABOUT MOROCCO

Morocco is a country which is long north to south and located in the west end of North Africa. It is called Maghreb meaning "The country in which the sun goes down". Morocco faces the Atlantic Ocean on the west, and Mediterranean Sea on the north. Inland, over the Atlas Mountains, you will find a vast arid expanse. These landscapes make up the various climates of Morocco. Morocco can be divided into 3 climate regions; a Mediterranean climate in the north west, continental climate in the east, and a desert climate in the South. The coastal area of Morocco has been prospered as a gate to The European continent, taking advantage of the location which is just 14 km from Spain over the strait of Gibraltar, though it is in the African continent.

There are a lot of prospered areas which has been the trading post of the African, Middle eastern caravan.

Morocco has indigenous Berber and Arabic who immigrated with Islam. Most of Berber people still live their traditional lifestyle and the cultures are unique in each area.

The historical fact that Morocco was colonized by Rome, Islam and France made the culture of Morocco very unique mixed with Berber culture.

Morocco has a lot of different attractions. The ruins of Ancient Rome, maze-like Islamic Medina, white towns with a taste of colonial period, endless dunes of Sahara desert, great gorges and villages with the houses made of the durt of the mountain, fortified Kasbah, beaches, ski resorts. Morocco has everything from Mother Nature, Ancient ruins to relaxing resort.

A lot of tourists from all over the world visit Morocco all year around because of its exotic culture and great nature inspite of the convenient

CURRENCY EXCHANGE

You can exchange at exchange counters, or at banks in most cities. Exchange rates are the same regardless of location.

There are a lot of ATMs in the country and credit cards are useful for getting cash.

WEATHER

It varies according to the regions. On the coasts, winter it is soft and humid, in summer moderately hot. Inside the contrasts are greater. It is advisable to bring light clothes for the day and some shelter for the nights, especially in the interior and in the south, and if you travel between November and March.

LANGUAGE

Arabic is the official language, but in the important cities and towns French is also used. In the north is still possible to be understood in Spanish with the locals.

SAFFTY

The political situation is stable and relatively safe. It's safe enough for women to travel alone, but you should be mindful of pickpockets.

SHOPPING

Without a doubt, Morocco is a shopping paradise. In all cities, towns and villages that the traveler travels, it is safe You will find something that captivates your interest such as: carpets, ceramics, embroidery, marquetry, etc.

BUSINESS AND BANK OPENING HOURS

Winter: Monday to Friday 8.30-11.30 and 14.30-17.00

Summer: Monday to Friday

30-14.00 In Ramadan: Monday to Friday 9.00 -15.00 On Friday and Sunday some shops may be closed.

GASTRONOMY

The great variety of recipes, the wise and subtle combination of sweet and savory spices and flavors have given universal recognition to the Moroccan cuisine. In addition to the cous cous, whose recipes vary according to the region, the seasons and the chef's own inspiration,

Moroccan gastronomy offers many delicacies, such as: Méchoui (whole lamb roasted slowly on the coals), Tajine (stew) of meat, or fish, with vegetables, which is served in the same container) Kefta (skewers of minced meat or meatballs), Pastella (thin layers)

puff pastry stuffed with pigeon meat with spices), etc.

Morocco uses the Greenwich (GMT) schedule, so in relation to to peninsular Spain, it is one hour less in winter and two hours less in summer. Museum hours are from 9 to 12 and from 15 to 17.30 hours. The stores, generally, open from 9.30 to 13 and from 15 at 19.30. Banks, in summer, have a continuous schedule of 8 a 15, 30 hours. Out of season, from 8.15 to 11.30 and from 14.15 to 17 hours. During the month of Ramadan they only open from 9:30 to 14:00. puff pastry stuffed with pigeon meat with spices), etc.

WATER

We only recommend pre-packaged beverages to drink boiled or water-treated tablets. Bottled water is everywhere cheap to buy. Make sure the bottles are sealed when you buy them.

You should not drink tap water and do without ice cubes in drinks better Morocco

LEGAL HOLIDAYS

New Year: 1 January

Declaration of Independence: January 11th

Labor Day: May 1st

Throne Festival: July 30th

West-Sahara-Tag: 14. August

National holiday: 20th of August

Birthday of the King: 21st August

Day of the Green March: 6 November ifno Morocco

Independence Day: 18th of November.





THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR ATTENTION

