

# **DISCOVER** MOROCCO

PHT ESCORTED JOURNEY | 30 MAR 2025



### 19 DAYS | FROM ADELAIDE | Departs 30 Mar 2025 DISCOVER

# What to expect

MOROCCO

Morocco is a gateway to Africa, and a country of dizzying diversity. Discover epic mountain ranges, ancient cities and medinas, sweeping deserts and a mixed Berber and Arab population. Feel it in the bustle of the crowded souks and taste it in every aromatic tajine. It's floating in the air above the High Atlas Mountains and it's caught in the grains of the endless Sahara. It's a vibrancy, an urgency, an assault on the senses. It is the essence of Morocco. High on spice and adventure, our experience begins in legendary Casablanca.

### **Tour Inclusions**

- Return international flights from Adelaide (including taxes) with
  Emirates in economy class
- 14 nights accommodation through Morocco
- Day use rooms in Dubai
- Transportation in private air-conditioned vehicles
- Sightseeing as per itinerary with applicable entry fees
- 23 meals
- Escorted from Adelaide
- Services of a local professional English speaking driver / guides
- Pre-departure function and tour documentation
- Gratuities

### **Fitness Level**

A reasonable level of fitness is required for this tour. Tours will involve getting on and off coaches, walking around sites, sometimes on uneven ground, and climbing some steps. On several days there will be sightseeing on foot for extended periods of time, and wilderness treks on uneven ground. Riads in Morocco do not have elevators, and you may be required to ascend stairs to reach your room. Room allocation will be determined by the tour guide while on tour.

TOUR FROM	PP TWIN SHARE
TWIN SHARE	\$8,599*
SINGLE TRAVELER	\$9,799*

Prices based on per person, twin share ex. Adelaide

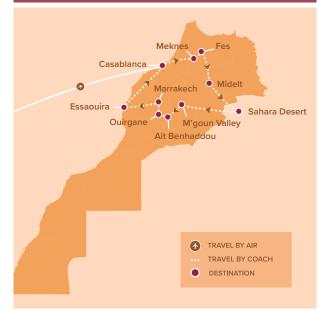
Personally Escorted by Georgia Johnson\*



## BONUS

Choose from one of the following offers







#### DAY 1 | 30 MAR 2025, SUNDAY Depart Adelaide

Fly from Adelaide to Casablanca via Dubai.

#### DAY 2 | 31 MAR 2025, MONDAY Arrive Casablanca

#### Stay: Hotel Barcelo\*

Welcome to Morocco! Enjoy a transfer to the hotel with time to relax for the rest of the day and evening. Casablanca is perhaps most famous for the film bearing its name. The city's handsome Mauresque buildings, which meld French-colonial design and traditional Moroccan style, are worthy of exploration.

#### DAY 3 | 1 APR 2025, TUESDAY Casablanka to Meknes

#### Stay: Hotel Barcelo\*

This morning discover the massive edifice of the Mosque of Hassan II, second only in size to the great mosque at Mecca, with a capacity for 25,000 worshippers. Leaving the city, head north along the coast to elegant Rabat – capital of Morocco, first Imperial city and home to numerous fine ancient Arab monuments. Explore the walled quarter known as the Kasbah des Oudaias. Continue to Meknes – the former capital of Morocco. (B)

#### DAY 4 | 2 APR 2025, WEDNESDAY Meknes to Fes

#### Stay: Riad Salem Fes-2 nights\*

This morning discover the charming streets of Imperial Meknes' medina – the old walled section of the city lined with elaborately decorated buildings and a bustling old souk. At UNESCO-listed Volubilis – the foremost Roman site in Morocco, discover this one-time provincial capital, along with the fantastic mostly intact mosaics along the Decumanus Maximus. In Fes, enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

#### DAY 5 | 3 APR 2025, THURSDAY Fes

Fes is the spiritual and cultural heart of Morocco; vibrant, noisy, fascinating and overwhelming - a visual and pungent feast for the senses with a huge, well-preserved medieval city. Today head into the old city, arguably the world's most fascinating and confounding. Walk through the twisting streets and alleyways, and explore the specialty sections that divide the souk such as the tanneries. Tonight, enjoy a memorable dinner – the signature salty and sweet pastille. (B,D)

#### DAY 6 4 APR 2025, FRIDAY Fes to Midelt

#### Stay: Hotel Taddart\*

Drive inland to the High Atlas Mountains through a variety of spectacular scenery to the elevated market town of Midelt. After lunch stretch the legs on an easy hike in the nearby hills. (B,D)

#### DAY 7 | 5 APR 2025, SATURDAY Midelt to Sahara Desert

#### Stay: Desert Camp\*

Enjoy a relaxing morning, before a drive through barren mountainsides and fertile valleys to the edge of the orange-coloured Erg Chebbi sand dunes, embark on a sunset camel ride to the edge of the Sahara. Tonight, camp out in traditional style. Enjoy an evening around a camp fire with dinner and Bedouin entertainment. Note: The camp is set up for private use of

our group. Enjoy the comfort of private tents with ensuites. (B,D)

#### DAY 8 | 6 APR 2025, SUNDAY Sahara Desert to M'goun Valley

Stay: Hotel Kasbah Chems—2 nights\* Enjoy a real Lawrence of Arabia moment this morning with a sunrise camel ride across the desert. Driving to the spectacular Todra Gorge, embark on a walk through the local countryside. Continue to the beautiful Dades Valley before arriving at M'Goun. (B,D)

#### DAY 9 | 7 APR 2025, MONDAY M'goun Valley

Enjoy a full-day walk (basic level of fitness required) in the remarkable M'goun Valley. Accompanied by a local guide, walk a trail that undulates slightly here and there, passing Berber villages and meeting local people. Learn the tea making secrets of Berbers with a local family. (B,D)

#### DAY 10 | 8 APR 2025, TUESDAY M'goun to Ait Benhaddou

#### Stay: Riad Tamdakhte\*

On the fabled 'Road of 1,000 Kasbahs', discover Skoura Oasis - home to several kasbahs. Perched on a hilltop and almost unchanged since the 11th century, UNESCOlisted Ait Benhaddou – a fortified village studded with kasbahs is one of Morocco's most iconic sites – boasting a long list of film location credits. Enjoy a walk through the winding streets of the old town. (B,D)

#### DAY 11 9 APR 2025, WEDNESDAY Ait Benhaddou to Ouirgane

#### Stay: Auberge Chez Momo\*

Driving through the Atlas Mountains, our destination is the pretty Berber village of Ouirgane, nestled in the foothills of the High Atlas Mountains in the heart of the Toubkal National Park - a great place for scenic walks and bird twitching. (B,D)

#### DAY 12 | 10 APR 2025, THURSDAY Ouirgane to Marrakech

#### Stay: Riad Nesma—2 nights\*

Through the Atlas, continue to ancient and exotic Marrakesh, Winston Churchill's fave holiday spot. Checking into a beautiful riad, enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. Consider exploring Djemaa El-Fna Square in the old quarter, with its palm readers, acrobats, camels and snake charmers. (B)

#### DAY 13 | 11 APR 2025, FRIDAY Marrakech

Enjoy a morning tour of the old medina, through the bustling souks. Highlights include the Bahia Palace, Marrakech Museum, Koutoubia Mosque and Djemaa El-Fna Square. Rest of the day at leisure. (B)

#### DAY 14 | 12 APR 2025, SATURDAY Marrakech to Essaouira

#### Stay: Riad Maison du Sud\*

Once home to sizeable British and Jewish populations, with a charm that has seduced people like Orson Welles and Jimi Hendrix, the laid-back fishing town of Essaouira boasts a bustling medina, tiny alleyways, pungent souks and a beautiful stretch of beach. Enjoy a day at leisure here. (B,L)

#### DAY 15 | 13 APR 2025, SUNDAY Essaouira to Casablanca

Enroute to Casablanca, stop to visit Oualidia, a picturesque town known for Moroccan oysters. The rest of the day is free until tonight's celebratory Farewell Dinner. (B,D)

#### DAY 16 | 14 APR 2025, MONDAY Depart Casablanca

After a leisurely morning transfer to Casablanca airport. (B)

#### DAY 17 | 15 APR 2025, TUESDAY Dubai

Arrive to Dubai early morning. Rooms will be available for use.

#### DAY 18 | 16 APR 2025, WEDNESDAY Dubai to Adelaide

Depart Dubai early morning.

#### DAY 19 | 17 APR 2025, THURSDAY Arrive Adelaide

Arrive to Adelaide this evening.



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