

EXOTIC SOUTH MOROCCO TOUR

07 Days / 06 Nights

Rabat (1N) - Fez (2N) - Marrakech (2N) - Casablanca (1N)

















TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- 1. Experience the Sahara Desert at Merzouga with overnight camping beside the golden Erg Chebbi dunes and traditional Berber performances
- 2. Walk through the dramatic Todra Gorges with towering limestone cliffs reaching 300 meters high carved by ancient rivers
- 3. Explore the UNESCO World Heritage Kasbah of Ait Ben Haddou, a preserved earthen fortress featured in films like Gladiator
- 4. Journey through the scenic Dades Valley known as "Valley of a Thousand Kasbahs" and Morocco's rose cultivation region
- 5. Cross the High Atlas Mountains via Tizi n'Tichka Pass, the highest motorable mountain pass in North Africa with panoramic views

ITINERARY IN BRIEF

Day 01	Arrive In Casablanca And Transfer To Rabat
Day 02	Transfer To Fez
Day 03	Fez Full-Day City Tour
Day 04	Transfer To Merzouga Via Midelt And Erfoud
Day 05	Transfer To Ouarzazate Via Todra Gorges And Dades Valley
Day 06	Visit Ait Ben Haddou And Transfer To Marrakech
Day 07	Marrakech City Tour
Day 08	Departure











DAY 01: ARRIVE IN CASABLANCA AND TRANSFER TO RABAT

Upon arrival at the airport, transfer to your hotel in Casablanca.

Casablanca, Morocco's largest city, is a vibrant hub of culture, commerce, and architecture.



Begin with a visit to the United Nations Square, the heart of Casablanca, surrounded by striking Art Deco buildings and lively cafés.

Continue to the Central Market, a bustling marketplace offering a vivid glimpse into daily Moroccan life. Proceed to visit the majestic Hassan II Mosque,

the second-largest mosque in the world. Built partly over the Atlantic Ocean, this architectural wonder showcases intricate craftsmanship with hand-carved stone, marble, and beautiful zellige tilework.

Later, transfer to Rabat, the capital city of Morocco known for its rich history, elegant architecture, and coastal serenity. Begin with a visit to the Mechouar, the fortified walls

surrounding the Royal Palace, and then explore the Ruins of Chellah, a historic Roman and Islamic site covered in wild vegetation. Continue to the Kasbah of the Udayas, a scenic fortress offering views of the Bou Regreg River. End the city tour at the Hassan Tower, an incomplete 12th-century minaret, and the Mausoleum of Mohammed V, an iconic white structure housing the tomb of the former king and his sons.



Overnight stay at hotel in Rabat.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit to Hassan II Mosque in Casablanca
- Guided tour of Rabat including Hassan Tower and Mausoleum of Mohammed V







DAY 02: TRANSFER TO FEZ

After breakfast at hotel, depart from Rabat and journey towards Fez, stopping at Moulay Idriss, Volubilis, and Meknes along the way.



Visit Moulay Idriss, a sacred town nestled in the hills and considered one of the holiest Islamic sites in Morocco. This town holds spiritual significance as the burial place of Moulay Idriss I, the founder of the Idrisid dynasty and one of the earliest Islamic rulers in Morocco. Continue to the archaeological site of Volubilis, a UNESCO World

Heritage Site. Once a thriving Roman city, Volubilis features well-preserved mosaics, basilicas, and triumphal arches that offer a glimpse into ancient Roman civilization in North Africa.

Later, proceed to Meknes, an imperial city known for its grand architecture and historical richness. Visit Bab Mansour, one of the most beautiful and imposing gates in Morocco, adorned with intricate zellige tilework. Explore the Sanctuary of Moulay Ismail, which honors the powerful sultan who made Meknes his capital in the 17th century and left a lasting architectural legacy.













Transfer to Fez, the cultural and spiritual heart of Morocco, known for its ancient medina, educational institutions, and rich traditions.

Overnight stay at hotel in Fez.

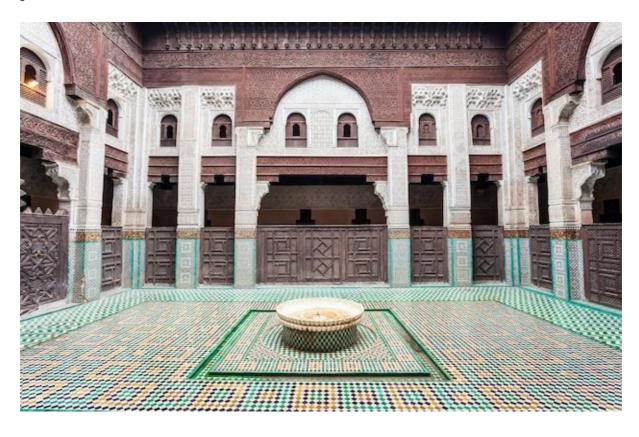
HIGHLIGHTS

- Discover the Roman ruins and mosaics of Volubilis
- Explore the imperial grandeur of Meknes including Bab Mansour

DAY 03: FEZ FULL-DAY CITY TOUR

After breakfast at hotel, enjoy a full-day city tour of Fez.

Fez is considered the spiritual and cultural capital of Morocco, renowned for its ancient medina and deep-rooted traditions. The city is divided into the old Medina (Fez el-Bali) and the new city (Fez el-Jdid), each offering unique insights into Morocco's past and present.











Begin with a visit to the old Medina, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, known for its mazelike alleys, ancient tanneries, and traditional souks. Explore the Al Karaouine University, recognized as the oldest existing and continually operating educational institution in the world. Visit the Bou Inania Medersa, a fine example of Marinid architecture, and admire its carved stucco and cedarwood ceilings. Later, proceed to visit the new city, showcasing French colonial influence and wide boulevards. See the Royal Palace and stroll through the Jewish Quarter (Mellah), highlighting the city's multicultural heritage.

Overnight stay at hotel in Fez.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit to the Medina of Fez and Al Karaouine University
- Exploration of the Royal Palace and Mellah in the new city

DAY 04: TRANSFER TO MERZOUGA VIA MIDELT AND ERFOUD

After breakfast at hotel, begin the scenic journey from Fez to Merzouga, passing through Midelt and Erfoud.



Visit the Middle Atlas Mountains, crossing landscapes picturesque dotted with Berber villages and cedar forests. Reach Midelt. peaceful town nestled between the Middle and High Atlas ranges, known for its apple orchards and as a midpoint for travelers heading desert. to the Continue towards Erfoud, a gateway town to the Sahara

Desert, famous for its fossil-filled rocks and annual date festival. Erfoud marks a significant transition from the mountainous terrain to the vast arid landscapes of the desert.

Later, arrive in Merzouga, a small village bordering the Erg Chebbi dunes, known for its dramatic golden sands and desert charm. Transfer to the desert camp for an unforgettable experience under the open sky. Enjoy traditional Moroccan dinner accompanied by cultural performances amidst the dunes.







Overnight stay at hotel in Merzouga.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Scenic drive through the Atlas Mountains and Midelt
- Overnight in a desert camp beside the majestic Erg Chebbi dunes

DAY 05: TRANSFER TO OUARZAZATE VIA TODRA GORGES AND DADES VALLEY

After breakfast at hotel, depart from Merzouga and travel through the Todra Gorges and Dades Valley en route to Ouarzazate.



Begin the day by heading towards the spectacular Todra Gorges, a series of dramatic limestone canyons carved by the Todra River. These towering cliffs reach up to 300 meters in height and are a favorite among climbers and photographers for their stunning natural beauty. Continue the journey through the scenic Dades

Valley, often called the "Valley of a Thousand Kasbahs," where countless traditional mudbrick fortresses line the riverbanks. The valley is known for its vibrant rose cultivation, especially around El Kelaa M'Gouna, the rose capital of Morocco, which also hosts the annual Rose Festival.

proceed Later, for Ouarzazate, famously referred to as "Hollywood of Morocco" due to its popularity with international filmmakers. The city is home to several studios and has been a filming location for many iconic movies and series. It also serves as a strategic gateway to the Sahara Desert and the Atlas Mountains.





Overnight stay at hotel in Ouarzazate.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Walk through the majestic Todra Gorges
- Scenic drive along Dades Valley and visit to Ouarzazate, Morocco's film capital

DAY 06: VISIT AIT BEN HADDOU AND TRANSFER TO MARRAKECH

After breakfast at hotel, depart from Ouarzazate and proceed towards Marrakech with enroute visits to Ait Ben Haddou and the High Atlas Mountains.



Visit the Kasbah of Ait Ben Haddou. a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the bestpreserved fortified villages in Morocco. This ancient ksar, made entirely of earth and clay, has served as the backdrop for several internationally acclaimed films such as Gladiator and Game of Thrones. Continue the journey through the Tizi n'Tichka Pass. the highest

motorable mountain pass in North Africa. Admire the panoramic views of the High Atlas Mountains, with their dramatic peaks, terraced farms, and Berber settlements. The drive offers a rich visual contrast between rugged mountains and fertile valleys.

Later, arrive in Marrakech, one of Morocco's most iconic cities, renowned for its vibrant souks, historic palaces, lush gardens, and bustling medina. Known as the "Red City" due to the distinct hue of its buildings, Marrakech blends traditional Moroccan heritage with contemporary charm.









Overnight stay at hotel in Marrakech.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit to the UNESCO-listed Ait Ben Haddou Kasbah
- Scenic drive through Tizi n'Tichka Pass and arrival in vibrant Marrakech

DAY 07: MARRAKECH CITY TOUR

After breakfast at hotel, explore the cultural and historical landmarks of Marrakech.



Begin with a visit to the Menara Gardens, built under the Almohad dynasty, featuring a large reflective basin and olive groves. Continue to the Saadian Tombs, dating back to the 16th century, which showcase intricate tilework and mausoleums of the Saadian dynasty rulers. Later, proceed to visit the Dar Si Said Museum, housing a rich collection of Moroccan art and crafts, followed by a tour of the Bahia Palace. The palace, built in the 19th century, is a masterpiece of Moroccan architecture with its painted ceilings, carved stucco, and beautiful courtyards.

In the afternoon, explore the traditional souks and artisans' quarters. Conclude the day at Jamaa El Fna square, a UNESCO-listed cultural space that comes alive with musicians, storytellers, food stalls, and snake charmers as the sun sets.











Overnight stay at hotel in Marrakech.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Guided tour of Menara Gardens, Saadian Tombs, and Bahia Palace
- Evening experience at Jamaa El Fna square

DAY 08: DEPARTURE

After breakfast at hotel, transfer to Marrakech airport to board your flight back to India.

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HIGHLIGHTS

• Departure from Marrakech.



"TOUR END"









