

## **MOROCCO**

## **Imperial & Desert Tour 2026**

Groups A\* 29 Mar - 8 Apr B\* 06 - 16 Sept C\* 18 - 28 Oct

**Sunday:** Meet your tour leader at **Malta International Airport** at 09:00 for check-in and departure on Turkish Airlines flight **TK1370**, leaving at 10:50 and arriving in **Istanbul** at 14:20. After a layover, continue your journey on flight **TK621** to **Marrakech**, departing at 18:25 and arriving at 21:50. Upon arrival, you will be greeted by your local guide and transferred to your accommodation at **Hotel Nassim 4\***, where you will check in and settle in for the night

**Monday:** Start your day with a traditional Moroccan breakfast at your hotel, enjoying local favourites. After breakfast, meet your guide and join the group for a walk to the impressive **Koutoubia Mosque**, where you can take in the beauty of its iconic minaret and the tranquility of its surrounding gardens. As the morning continues, head into the heart of Marrakech and step into the lively **Jemaa el-Fnaa Square**. Begin your exploration of the vibrant souks before they become too crowded, taking time to wander through various sections filled with colourful spices, handcrafted leather, glowing lanterns, and unique artisan goods. Around midday, pause for a well-deserved lunch at a local spot of your choice (lunch not included). In the early afternoon, return to the souks to dive deeper into the maze of stalls, perfect for treasure hunting, shopping, and practicing your bargaining skills. As evening approaches, return to our hotel for dinner. For those wanting to experience Marrakech by night, you can head back out to Jemaa el-Fnaa, also known as **Djemaa El Fnaa**, to witness its remarkable transformation into a bustling open-air food market.

**Tuesday:** Early morning enjoy a **Hot Air Balloon** ride in Marrakech (optional) offer a breathtaking way to see Morocco from above. Soar at sunrise to admire the vibrant sky and the majestic Atlas Mountains over the desert landscape

Breakfast and boarding the bus to the magnificent **Bahia Palace**, arriving early to enjoy its stunning architecture and peaceful gardens without the crowds. Afterwards, take a short walk to the nearby **Saadian Tombs**, a serene and beautifully preserved burial site rich in history. Next, immerse yourself in the vibrant colours and exotic plants of the **Majorelle Garden**, a tranquil oasis in the city. Around midday, enjoy some free time for lunch at your leisure before being dropped off at the lively **Jemaa el-Fnaa Square**, where you can explore the bustling market, soak up the atmosphere, and watch street performers at your own pace. As evening falls, return to your hotel to relax and enjoy a satisfying dinner,







Wednesday: After breakfast and checking out of your riad, meet your guide, before setting off on a scenic journey towards the High Atlas Mountains. Along the way, pause at the breathtaking Tizi n'Tichka Pass to capture panoramic photos of the rugged landscape. Continue to the ancient, fortified village of Ait Benhaddou, where you can explore the impressive kasbah and enjoy lunch at a local restaurant (lunch not included). In the afternoon, drive along the famous "Road of a Thousand Kasbahs" toward Ouarzazate, stopping briefly to take photos of the Taourirt Kasbah or the exterior of one of the region's famed film studios. Arrive at your accommodation, the Kasbah Xaluca Hotel, nestled in the beautiful Dades Valley, where you can unwind while soaking in the stunning views before dinner is served at our hotel.

Thursday: After breakfast, set out on a short drive to explore the dramatic Dades Gorges, winding through roads carved by nature and admiring the striking rock formations. Continue your journey toward the desert, stopping at the stunning Todra Gorge for a scenic walk through the canyon and plenty of photo opportunities. Enjoy some free time for lunch at a local restaurant nearby (lunch not included) before driving through the vast desert landscapes, passing the towns of Erfoud and Rissani. Arrive in Merzouga where you'll check into your Hotel Kasbah Yasmine to leave your main luggage before meeting your camel guide. Embark on a memorable camel trek into the golden dunes, arriving at your desert camp in time to climb a nearby dune and witness the breathtaking sunset over the Sahara. As night falls, savour a traditional Berber dinner accompanied by music and the warmth of a campfire, then spend the evening stargazing and soaking in the peaceful silence of the desert before retiring to your tent for the night.

**Friday:** After breakfast, meet our guide and driver to embark on the long but scenic drive to **Fez**. Along the way, pause for lunch (not included) in a charming town such as **Midelt**, where you can take a break and refresh. As we continue, pass through the lush **cedar forests of the Middle Atlas**, keeping an eye out for the playful **Barbary macaques** (monkeys) that inhabit the area. Journey onward through the picturesque town of **Ifrane**, known for its distinctive European-style architecture and alpine feel. Arrive in Fez by early evening and check at the '**Riad Menzah Zalagh Hotel'**, where you can unwind and enjoy a relaxing dinner at the hotel restaurant. After the day's travel, rest and recharge for the adventures ahead.

Saturday: Begin your day with a hearty breakfast before meeting your guide for an immersive walking tour of the historic Fes el Bali Medina. Start by visiting the famous Chouara Tannery, where the vibrant dye pits are at their most active in the morning, offering a fascinating glimpse into centuries-old leather-making traditions. Next, explore the stunning Medersa Bou Inania or Al-Attarine Madrasa, both exquisite examples of Islamic architecture adorned with intricate tilework and carvings. Around midday, enjoy a traditional lunch at a restaurant nestled within the medina (lunch not included). In the afternoon, continue your tour through the bustling souks, wandering past the Coppersmiths' Square, ceramic workshops, and the impressive exterior of the Al-Qarawiyyin Mosque and University. Later, head to the Merenid Tombs located just outside the medina, where you'll be rewarded with panoramic views of the city's labyrinthine rooftops and minarets. Return to your hotel to relax and refresh before heading out to a local restaurant for dinner, capped off with a lively dinner show at Palais la Medina, immersing you further in Moroccan culture and hospitality.



**Sunday:** After breakfast and checking out, depart for Casablanca with a brief stop in **Meknes**, the historic Ismaili capital, for a short visit. Continue your journey to **Rabat**, arriving around midday. Take a stroll to the impressive **Hassan Tower** and the **Mausoleum of Mohammed V**, two of Morocco's most iconic landmarks. Enjoy a quick lunch in Rabat at your own pace (lunch not included) before continuing the drive to **Casablanca.** Upon arrival, check into your accommodation, the **Kenzi Basma Hotel**, and take some time to relax and unwind. In the evening, enjoy a delicious dinner at the hotel's restaurant, rounding off a day full of history and travel.

Mosque. Your tour guide will help you to fully appreciate the grandeur and intricate details of this stunning architectural marvel. After the tour, take some time to stroll around the mosque's exterior, soaking in its breathtaking design and panoramic views of the Atlantic Ocean. Free time for lunch at your leisure. In the afternoon, explore the charming Habous Quarter, also known as the New Medina, where you can browse shops and pick up last-minute souvenirs. Return to our hotel later to relax and refresh before savouring a memorable final dinner in Casablanca, celebrating the conclusion of your Moroccan adventure.

**Tuesday:** After breakfast, enjoy some free time at the hotel before **checking out at noon.** Depart for **Marrakech**, with a drive of approximately two and a half hours. Upon arrival, a short city tour and enjoy some final moments exploring or relaxing in the city. In the early evening, meet the guide and transfer to the airport for your international journey home. Board Turkish Airlines flight TK622, departing Marrakech at 22:50

**Wednesday**: Arriving in Istanbul at 05:45. After a short transit at Istanbul Airport, continue your journey on flight TK1369, departing at 07:50 and arriving in Malta at 09:15 —

Bringing your unforgettable Moroccan adventure to a close.







Half board, All Excursions, Entrance fees & Airport Tax

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Price

Triple room €1'460

Double room €1'480

Single room €1'780

Mandatory tipping in total of €30 per person for guides & drivers

## **Price Includes:**

- Flights with TURKISH AIRLINES
- Malta Marrakech via Istanbul
- All Transfers and excursions as per program
- Entrances to Hassan II Mosque / Bouanania Medrassa / Volubulis / Palais Bahia
- Majorelle Garden in Marrakech
- Jeep tour in Merzouga & Camel
- Diner Show in Fes at Palais Medina
- Traditional Berber dinner
- Hotels

Marrakech: 3 Nights. Dades 1 Night, Marzouki 1 Night, Fez 2 Nights, Casablanca 2 Nights

- Daily Buffet Breakfast
- Half board
- Airport tax
- Local guides during all excursions
- Experienced Tour Leader
- Insolvency Protection

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