

Trip Details

Adventure Morocco

Adventure Morocco provides an amazing mixture of cultural exploration and adventure! Commence your journey at bustling Marrakesh before jumping on board a Jeep Safari through the vast Sahara. Stay in nomad tents like a Bedouin and indulge in a traditional Moroccan desert lifestyle. Experience the desert Moroccan-style as you spend a day trekking on a camel. To top it all, take a mental picture of the sunset over desert dunes to last for a lifetime. Then chill against the ocean breeze in Agadir and Essaouira.

Attention: To catch the sunset at the desert; the groups departing from 20th of October to the 21st of May will spend one night in Ouarzazate, replacing one night in Essaouira.

Duration	8 Days	Group Size	12 People Max.
Destination	Morocco	Age Req.	18+
Start/Ends in	Marrakech/Marrakech	Trip Theme	Classic, Overland
Hotels	4 Star	Departs	All Year Round

Why You Will Love This Tour

- * Tag along your expert local guide and experience the changing landscape of Morocco from Imperial towns to the majestic Sahara and the Atlantic Ocean.
- * Recharge at hand-picked 4-star hotels & savour the desert atmosphere with 2 nights at the Sahara at our sedentary Desert Camps.
- * Have a taste of adventure with camel trekking and jeep safari in the Sahara, both included!
- * Soak in the magical desert sunset, watch the bright night stars alongside the campfire singing local tunes.
- * Connect with the locals over a friendly homevisit and explore an unspoiled Berber village.
- * Greet the Atlantic breeze at the seaside medinas of Agadir and Essaouira, both popular surfing locations!
- * No night drives, so you can rest comfortably. However, some long drives are required to cover all these incredible experiences.

Arrival Details

The group welcome meeting with your guide and other travellers is held around 18:30 at the hotel lobby on Day 1 of your tour, unless otherwise notified.

Meeting Point

BLUE SEA LE PRINTEMPS HOTEL – MARRAKECH

Address : Boulevard el Mansour Eddahbi, Marrakesh 40000

Phone : +212 (0) 5 24 32992 **Emergency Number:** +44 (0) 208 099 75 36

Airport Transfers

All tours starting in Marrakech include arrival airport transfer if your flight lands in Marrakech on the first day of your tour between 5am and 11:59pm or if you have booked pre-accommodation with us

For tours ending in Marrakech, there is only one return shuttle to the airport on the last day of the tour between 05:00 and 15:00. Departure transfer is not available with post-accommodation in Morocco.

To arrange your airport transfer please email us the following information at least 2 weeks before your departure date. info@traveltalktours.com

•Travel Date •Flight Number •Local Arrival Time •Name/s of the Passengers

Making Your Own Way to the Starting Point

The arrival hotel is 8 km away from the Marrakech Menara Airport (RAK). It takes about 10-15 minutes by taxi depending on the traffic. You can take a taxi from the airport directly to the hotel, which is expected to cost around 60-80 MAD.

Finishing Point

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Highlights

- * **Djeema El Fna:** Agadir is the major coastal town on the coast of the Atlantic Ocean. Agadir is famous with its summer resorts and beautiful beaches as well as the sea foods in Agadir.
- * **Essaouira:** Located on the Atlantic Coast, Essaouira is famous with the powerful trade wind blowing onto the protected, calm bay. Very popular among windsurfers!
- * **Marrakech:** Marrakesh, a former imperial city in western Morocco, is a home to mosques, palaces and gardens, pottery and jewelry is a symbol of the city.
- * **Agadir:** Agadir is the major coastal town on the coast of the Atlantic Ocean. Agadir is famous with its summer resorts and beautiful beaches as well as the sea foods in Agadir.
- * **M'Hamid:** M'hamid is an oasis town isolated from the crowds. Hidden in the palm oases of M'Hamid are seven old and decaying Ksars. M'Hamid is also known as Bounou.
- * **Ouarzazate:** The "door of the desert", Ourzazate is located just in the north of the Sahara desert. It is mainly inhabited by Berbers who built the famous Kasbahs.
- * **Zagora:** Zagora is an amazing town in the Draa River valley in the Drâa-Tafilalet region of southeastern Morocco. It is referred as " the gate to the Sahara "

Itinerary

Please note that the itinerary may be subject to small changes depending on the conditions during the tour. Alternative accommodation of similar standards may be used depending on the group size and hotel availability.

Day 1: Marrakech

Welcome to Morocco! Keep your eyes peeled at Morocco airport for the Travel Talk 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**

Blue Sea Le Printemps– 4 Star

- **Included Activities**

Welcome Meeting

- **Optional Activities**

Group Dinner – 100 MAD

Day 2 : Marrakech, Zagora, Jeep Safari, M'hamid

It's time to cross into the vast Sahara desert! Drive along the Draa valley until reaching the desert village of Zagora, reflecting the traditional desert life in Morocco. Pass through magnificent dessert villages and take a break at an oasis for a locally prepared lunch. The village is located at the edge of the Sahara desert, where you join a 4x4 jeep safari. Continue on to M'hamid in the Sahara and climb up the sand dunes before we heading to our camp. A traditional Moroccan dinner is prepared by the camp staff for you to enjoy under the desert stars.

- **Accommodation**

Desert Camp

- **Meals Included**

Breakfast, Dinner

- **Included Activities**

Panoramic View of Zagora Villages

4X4 Jeep Safari

Day 3: M'hamid, Camel Trek at the desert, Zagora

Wake up to the Saharan sun and take a mental picture to last forever, an astounding day of Saharan adventure awaits! Ride your camel across the Sahara soak in the magical desert atmosphere and way of life. Have lunch at a local house in the desert. Make your way back to the campsite for an experience of a lifetime: watching the desert change colour at sunset. Enjoy your Bedouin style dinner and if you're lucky locals may entertain you with traditional songs and dances by the campfire.

- **Accommodation**

Desert Camp

- **Meals Included**

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

- **Included Activities**

Camel Trekking

- **Optional Activities**

Quad Biking – 350 MAD

Day 4 : M'hamid, Agadir

Enough of the desert, time to embrace the ocean! Leave the desert sands for the sandy beaches of Agadir and the beautiful vast ocean. A popular sea resort, especially for windsurfers, the town gets 340 days of sunshine a year! Roam the pretty village and markets, and rest up along the southern Atlantic coastline of

- **Accommodation**

Oasis Hotel & Spa – 4 Star

- **Meals Included**

Breakfast

- **Included Activities**

Sightseeing of Atlas Mountains

Sightseeing of Agadir

- **Optional Activities**

Moroccan Hammam – 300 MAD

Day 5 : Agadir, Essaouira

Hop back on the coach and drive along the charming ocean coast and banana plantations until we reach Essaouira. Morocco's top sea-side destination, Essaouira has something to offer everyone: water sports, delicious Moroccan seafood, vast beaches and attractive nightlife. Its marvellous citadel is an attraction of its own with breath-taking views of the ocean and tiny local shops scattered all around.

- **Accommodation**

La Perle de Mogador Hotel – 3 Star

- **Meals Included**

Breakfast

- **Included Activities**

Sightseeing of Essaouira

Day 6 : Essaouira

Embark on a full day of discovery of the beautiful town. One of the most popular surfing destinations on the Atlantic Ocean, Essaouira is serene, friendly and charming. Wander through tall white houses with yellow detail and blue doors, narrow streets, local markets and the impressive ramparts that surround the old town. Enjoy some jazz, and savour delicious fish at the Essaouira port for a spectacular evening.

- **Accommodation**

La Perle de Mogador Hotel – 3 Star

- **Meals Included**

Breakfast

- **Included Activities**

Visit of Argan Women Cooperative

Day 7 : Essaouira, Marrakech

Time to bid farewell to the ocean as you embark on a scenic drive to Marrakech through Argan trees. If you're lucky, you may meet goats climbing the trees! Late in the afternoon you will reach the fascinating city of Marrakech. It is where the Arab city culture meets the Berber culture of the desert and mountain villages. Here, the sub-Saharan traders would trade their wares with European merchants, who would then bring them to Europe. Wear your haggling hats as you discover Djemaa el-Fna Square and brace for the mayhem! Marking the entrance to the huge bazaar, the area is packed with story tellers, snake charmers, acrobats and

- **Accommodation**

Blue Sea Le Printemps – 4 Star

- **Meals Included**

Breakfast

- **Included Activities**

Sightseeing of Djeema El – Fna Square in Marrakech

- **Optional Activities**

Dinner Show – 250 MAD

Day 8 : Marrakech

Have your final breakfast on us and start bidding farewells to your travel mates before checking out of the hotel (11:00). Time to start counting days for your next adventure with Travel Talk!

- **Meals**

Breakfast

Inclusions & Exclusions

The tour price covers the following services:

Accommodation:	4 star hotels, desert camp (Bedouin tents)
Airport Transfer:	Arrival transfer on day 1 and return shuttle on the last day of the tour.
Meals:	7 breakfasts 1 Lunch 2 dinners
Transportation:	A/C, modern coach or mini-bus, 4X4 Jeep.
Guide:	Services of experienced Travel Talk local guides licenced by the Ministry of Tourism
Sightseeing:	Ait Ben Haddou, Zagora, M'Hamid, Agadir, Essaouira, Berber Village Atlas Mountains, Djeema El – Fna Square

What is NOT included in the tour price?

- Any flights not mentioned above
- Travel insurance
- Meals not stated above
- Items of a personal nature
- Tips & gestures
- Entrance fees to the sights and museums
- Optional activities
- Other services not stated in the itinerary

Hotels & Accommodation

Solo travellers will be roomed with another solo traveller of the same gender in a twin or triple room, or can upgrade to a solo room by paying the single supplement. You may choose the solo room option when booking online or contact us to arrange a private room. Your tour leader will allocate rooms upon arrival at the starting hotel in accordance with the rooming lists, last minute changes may not be guaranteed.

BLUE SEA LE PRINTEMPS – MARRAKECH – 4 Star

This hotel is well located close to Plaza Square, and it has an outdoor swimming pool to offer. The Blue Sea Le Hotel is 3.5 km from Marrakech Plaza Square and city center.

HOTEL MIRAMAR - ESSAOUIRA – 3 Star

Overlooking the bay, this Moorish beachfront hotel is Located in the center. The hotel is located 2 steps from the medina and facing the ocean, the Miramar hotel is the promise of a successful stay.

CAMP SITE ZAGORA

This camping site is an amazing place to relax and to dive deep into nomadic spirit. Get ready for once in a lifetime experience around the campfire and under the sky on the sand dunes.

CAMP SITE M’HAMID

It's only an hour driving from Zagora, located in the Sahara, this camping site is decorated Berber style, accommodation includes open air folk-shows around the campfire, traditional foods.

TULIP INN OASIS HOTEL – AGADIR – 4 Star

Centrally located in Agadir and only 200 metres far from the beach, has a gym and most rooms have sea views. This hotel offers an amazing spa experience to it's guests.

Distances

Please find below the distances between the sights visited in Morocco and the approximate driving times. We will always strive to take a short break every few hours to enable passengers to stretch their legs, purchase snacks and use wash facilities during long drives.

- Marrakech – Ouarzazate: 195 Km – 4 hrs
- Quarzazate - Ait Ben Haddou: 30 kms - 30 min
- Quarzazate - M’Hamid: 205 Km – 4 hrs
- Agadir – Essaouira: 175 Km – 3 hrs
- Essaouira – Marrakech: 180 Km – 3 hrs

Budgeting

Please note that entrance fees to sights and optional activities are not included in the tour price. Optional activities are not operated by Travel Talk and may require a certain number of attendees to run. Your guide will be happy to inform you further about the available optional activities at the start of your tour. Optional activities are also listed under each day in your tour itinerary.

Entrance Fees

Marrakech

Bahai Palace	70 MAD
Menera Gardens	10 MAD
Said Mausoleum	70 MAD

TOTAL 150 MAD (approx. 20 USD)

Optional Activities

Please note that Optional Activities are not operated by Travel Talk.

Moroccan Hammam	300 MAD
Dinner Show	250 MAD
Group Dinner	100 MAD
QUAD BIKING	350 MAD

TOTAL 1000 MAD (approx. 135 USD)

Personal Spending

The currency of Morocco is the dirham (MAD), with bank notes found in the denominations of MAD 200, 100, 50 and 20 and coins issued in smaller values. While every traveller's spending habits may differ slightly, we have estimated the average daily expenses to help with budgeting for your next trip. Here you'll find the average cost for a meal or drink and advice for best practice in tipping.

Meals

Lunch at restaurant	US\$ 7-10
Dinner at restaurant	US\$ 12-16
Sandwich at a stall	US\$ 1-2
Sfenj - Moroccan Donut	US\$ 0.30

Drinks

Bottle of water	US\$ 0.5
Coffee	US\$ 1.5-2
Tea	US\$ 1-2
Bottle of beer	US\$ 2-4

Tipping

Tipping is not compulsory, but is encouraged for good service in Morocco. The general rule of thumb is to tip 5~10% in restaurants or to private services such as porters. Your guide and driver would also appreciate this kind of gratitude at the end of your tour. For Taxi Drivers, typically rounding up the fare for convenience is recommended, as well as at market stalls.

Shopping

Morocco is home to some of the oldest retail cultures in the world, meaning there's no shortage of souqs waiting to be explored. Haggling in Morocco is expected and welcomed. You'll notice prices are not often listed on items in the souqs, so evaluate what you're willing to pay and come prepared to bargain with the shopkeeper - it's all part of the fun!

Leather Goods

Moroccan leather is highly unique and the centuries-old tanning techniques are still practiced across the country today. The most famous tannery is Chouara Tanner of Fez, making it the perfect place to purchase quality, hand-crafted leather goods including slippers, bags, jackets, belts and wallets. Prices for leather goods start at approximately 10 USD.

Berber Rugs

Berber rugs and carpets are traditionally the craftwork of nomadic women from the Middle Atlas region and date back to the 2nd century BC. They are made from virgin wool from the sheep and can be found in souqs across Marrakech in all shades, sizes and shapes. Rug shopowners will encourage you into their store with the offer of tea, but feel no obligation to buy. Rug prices may range from 50 to 1,000+ USD.

Argan Oil

Used by the local Amazigh people for its healing properties, Argan Oil is immensely popular in Morocco. It is common to see women sitting on the front step of beauty shops crushing the kernels of the argan tree into paste, which is sold cosmetically for its healing properties to skin and hair. The regions surrounding Essauira and Agadir are the only places in the world where the specific tree grows. In this region you can purchase a quality 150ml bottle of the oil for approximately 20 USD.

Essential Information: Morocco

Passport & Visas

Travellers from the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, USA, Canada, Ireland and Germany do not require a visa to visit Morocco for up to 90 days. South Africans require a visa in advance, which can take several weeks to obtain.

Please ensure that you check with the Moroccan Embassy or Consulate of your country for up-to-date visa information. You may visit the consular website for the latest information: <https://www.consulat.ma/en>

Passport validity entry requirements: The validity of the passport or travel document must be longer than the duration of stay. We generally recommend to have a passport or travel document that is valid for at least 6 months' from your travel date.

Passport validity entry requirements: Travellers entering Egypt must also carry a passport or travel document valid for at least 6 months from your arrival date.

This information is provided as a guidance, we strongly advise that you check with the consulate or embassy as this information can change. Please note, visa costs can change at any time and with little notice depending on the political climate of the region. It is your responsibility to make sure that all the required travel documents are ready when travelling.

Travel Advice

We are closely monitoring the latest travel updates to Morocco and follow the advice of the UK Foreign Office (FCDO). For the latest travel advice from the UK Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office, <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/morocco>

We recommend all travellers to check their Government National Travel Advisory prior to their departure:

- Australia - <https://www.smartraveller.gov.au/>
- Canada - <https://travel.gc.ca/>
- New Zealand - <https://www.safetravel.govt.nz/>
- USA - <https://travel.state.gov/>

Travel Insurance

All passengers travelling with Travel Talk are required to have personal travel insurance before participating in any of our tours. Your guide will collect your travel insurance details on the first day of your trip. It is your responsibility to make sure you have an adequate and suitable travel insurance for you in place, you may read more at <https://www.traveltalktours.com/travel-insurance>

Health & Safety

The health and safety of our passengers, staff and communities visited is of utmost priority. As we monitor and comply with the official advice from the UK Foreign Office, as well as World Health Organization and government authorities regularly, we have implemented several policies and precautions on our tours for your wellbeing. You may find our Safe Travels Protocols at <https://www.traveltalktours.com/safe-travels>



Travel Talk Adventures has received the Safe Travels stamp by the World Travel and Tourism Council (WTTTC), which allows travellers to recognise companies around the world that have adopted health and hygiene global standardised protocols – so consumers can experience ‘Safe Travels’.

Please make sure to regularly check your Government’s travel advice before travelling and be well-informed of any requirements. Your tour guide will also notify you of the regulations and protocols to follow throughout your trip with us.

Please note that if any traveller is unable to complete the itinerary or possess a potential risk to themselves and/or the rest of the group, we reserve the right to remove them from all or part of a trip.

Please consult with your doctor for the latest medical travel information and any vaccinations you may need. We recommend that you bring any personal medical requirements and medications with you as these may be difficult to obtain while on tour.

Weather

The Moroccan climate varies according to season and region of the country. The Atlantic coast experiences minor temperature variations with 30°C summers and a warm Mediterranean climate all year round. November through to March sees the most rain fall in the coastal areas. Meanwhile, the climate in southern Morocco and inland can become more extreme with hot days and almost no rain. We strongly recommend bringing a set of light-weight long clothing, sunscreen, sunglasses, and hat to protect yourself. Overall, the best time to travel is considered March to June and September to December.

Months	Casablanca		Midelt		Marrakech		Zagora	
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January	16	62	11	53	17	64	26	79
February	17	63	13	56	19	67	31	88
March	17	64	16	62	22	72	35	95
April	18	66	20	68	23	74	39	103
May	20	69	23	74	26	80	41	106
June	22	73	28	83	30	87	45	114
July	25	77	33	93	36	97	49	121
August	25	78	33	92	36	97	50	122
September	25	77	27	82	32	90	47	117
October	22	72	21	70	26	80	33	92
November	20	68	16	62	22	72	31	87
December	17	64	12	55	18	66	28	83

Money Matters

The dirham (MAD) is the official currency of Morocco, with bank notes found in the denominations of MAD 200, 100, 50 and 20 and coins issued in smaller values.

Major credit and debit cards are widely accepted in most cities and tourist sites across Morocco. However, if you are travelling off the beaten track, come prepared with a small stash of cash on hand for inexpensive purchases at local markets, souqs or for entrance fees and small meals. ATMs can be easily found in many places across the cities, however, are not as common in rural areas. We recommend you do not exchange bulk sums of money at the airport, as the exchange rates are usually more favourable in the major cities. Your tour leader will be happy to help if you need any assistance.

Please remember that everyone has different spending habits, some prefer to spend more on souvenirs, some on experiences and others on a night out! Make sure to budget your trip to your spending habits for shopping, drinking, and tipping.

Tipping is not compulsory but is encouraged for good service in Morocco. The general rule of thumb is to tip 5~10% in restaurants or to private services such as porters. Your guide and driver would also appreciate this kind of gratitude at the end of your tour. For Taxi Drivers, typically rounding up the fare for convenience is recommended, as well as at market stalls.

Eating & Drinking

Moroccan cuisine carries an exciting blend of Mediterranean, Middle-Eastern, West African and Berber influences. The typical diet is quite healthy and incorporates plenty of vegetables. Moroccan cooking is strongly characterized by the subtle blending of spices, and Moroccans expertly use them to enhance, rather than mask, the flavor and fragrance of their dishes. Searching for unique and authentic dishes can often be overwhelming if you're not a local, so here's a few must-try dishes to get you started in Morocco.

Tagine: The famous slow-cooked Moroccan stew takes its name from the traditional clay or ceramic dish it is traditionally cooked in. The ingredients are arranged in a conical fashion and left undisturbed to cook until tender. Tagine is traditionally eaten straight from the cooking vessel.

Couscous: Originally from Morocco, Couscous is small balls of soft wheat or barley flours that are steamed in a pot. The traditional North African dish is typically served with meat or vegetable stew and is often eaten using your hands.

Zalouk: Zalouk is a common side dish of crusty bread and spread made from eggplants, tomatoes, garlic, olive oil and spices.

Harira: Used during Ramadan to break the fast at dusk, Harira is a hearty, traditional Moroccan lentil soup.

Khobz: Typically baked in communal wood-fired ovens and served with an array of meals, this crusty bread is a must-try in Morocco.

Mint Tea: A green tea base with lots of mint leaves and sugar, making for a refreshing drink.

Baghrir: Usually eaten at breakfast, these bubbly, sweet pancakes are a standout for many travellers to Morocco. What makes them different to Western pancakes is that they are made with semolina, thinner than flapjacks but thicker than crepes.

Chebakia: Soaked in the syrup of honey and rosewater, then sprinkled with sesame seeds – this sweet, fried pastry can be found in many corner shops and bakeries, especially during Ramadan.

M'hanncha: Translating to 'coiled like a snake', this large, coiled sweet pastry is meant to be shared. It can be cut into smaller pieces and pulled apart to reveal almond paste, pistachios and a sugary paste.

As well as the traditional dishes there are also a lot of western style foods available in the larger cities. Kebabs can also often be found in many souks or stalls and are generally served with a spicy sauce.

Morocco's national drink is mint tea, a green tea flavoured with sprigs of mint and sweetened with large amounts of sugar. Also common at cafes and street stalls are a range of freshly squeezed juices and mixed fruit milkshakes! Moroccan tap water is usually considered as safe to drink, however may upset your stomach if not used to it. Hence, we would recommend to drink bottled water which is readily available throughout the country. Morocco typically gives drinking alcohol a low profile, but bars in most tourist areas stay open to late and wines, beers and spirits are widely available with laws around alcohol liberal for visitors. Local beers are relatively inexpensive and a few worth trying include Flag, Stork and Casablanca.

Internet Access

Most cafes, hotels and restaurants in large cities of Morocco provide free Wi-Fi, but the connection may be spotty or slow. If you wish to use your own 3G/4G Data, be sure to enable data roaming on your mobile. Purchasing a Moroccan SIM card for the duration of your tour may be a cost-effective alternative. Make sure that your phone is unlocked before you leave home so a local SIM will be compatible. The three largest telecommunications networks operating in Morocco are Maroc Telecom, Inwi and Orange. Your guide will be happy to advise on this.

Essentials to Bring

- * Face mask/cover and hand sanitiser enough for your personal use throughout the trip – See more at <https://www.traveltalktours.com/safe-travels>
- * Travel Documents: Passport, Visa (if required), flight or transport ticket (and photocopies)
- * Travel Talk Tour Voucher (printed or digital)
- * Travel Insurance Policy (and photocopy)
- * Personal medical kit and medicine
- * Money (cash, credit card, travellers' cheques)
- * Power Adapter
- * Reusable water bottle
- * Ear plugs and eye mask
- * Sun protection – hat, sunglasses, sunscreen
- * Comfortable, closed walking shoes
- * Wind/water proof jacket
- * Warm clothes, hat, and gloves for cold weather
- * Sandals, swimwear, shorts for warm weather

Important: If your tour runs in the months from November to March, we recommend you bring a sleeping bag with you as the weather can be cold at night time (especially in the desert).

Culture and Traditions

Over centuries of trade and mutual interaction, Moroccan culture and traditions have been significantly influenced by the surrounding people and nations.

Located at the tip of North Africa, Morocco has been the gateway between Europe and Africa, while also neighbouring both the Atlantic and the Mediterranean. This unique blend is beautifully reflected in various facades of Moroccan culture from architecture to music...

Most of the Moroccan society can be considered traditional, with respect for elders, connection to family and giving alms to the poor recognised as hallmarks of everyday life for locals.

Ramadan carries great importance for the nation and is considered a time of spiritual rejuvenation in the Islamic calendar. During this month, Muslims fast from sunrise to sunset – refraining from eating, drinking or smoking during daylight hours.

As a Muslim country, Morocco is a modest nation who deeply respects religion. If you're planning to go on a holiday to Morocco during Ramadan, please be mindful that many restaurants and shops will either be closed or operating on reduced hours during this time.

Religion, Etiquette and How to Dress

Morocco is a tolerant, yet traditional nation with strong cultural values. Religion is a crucial factor in the life of Moroccans, and it is intermingled with daily activities. It is estimated that more than 98% of the population is Muslim, and the way people dress and interact with each other is influenced by religion. The religious holidays of Ramadan and Eid are the most significant events for Muslims. A wide array of cultural norms, including how people dress and interact with the opposite sex, are influenced as such. Especially in the rural areas, conservative clothing may be preferred.

As a general guideline, we recommend wearing loose-fitting, comfortable clothing and walking shoes while travelling in Morocco. Please also keep in mind that when visiting religious sites, appropriate attire is required. It is recommended to pack at least one set of modest clothing that covers both shoulders and knees, to be worn when visiting mosques and other religious complexes. A headscarf for women is necessary when visiting religious complexes in Morocco. Access to certain mosques and holy places is forbidden to non-Muslims, much to the disappointment of many tourists.

Solo Travellers

We have many solo travellers joining our tours. Solo travellers will be roomed with another traveller of the same gender. If you would like a private solo room, please contact us.

Rules to Follow

We are committed to ensuring a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone. We do not tolerate any form of violence (physical or verbal), bullying or harassment involving customers, partners, Travel Talk staff or locals. Sexual relationships between a tour leader and a passenger are forbidden.

We will not tolerate any illegal activity, including but not limited to: use and possession of illegal drugs, trespassing, and disrupting public order. If you consume alcohol, please ensure that you drink responsibly and follow the local laws and regulations.

You must follow the advice of your tour leader and local officials regarding health and safety measures. We operate all tours under Safe Travels protocols for the wellbeing of our passengers, staff and communities visited. Please ensure that you have read the <https://www.traveltalktours.com/safe-travels/> and are fully prepared for your trip.

If someone is acting inappropriately regarding these matters, please notify your tour leader immediately or contact us on the emergency contact number provided below.

Your tour leader has the right to remove from the group anyone not abiding by these rules, with no right of compensation or refund. See more at <https://www.traveltalktours.com/booking-terms/>

Please remember that our travellers come from different parts of the world and will have various needs and preferences. Be understanding and patient with your fellow travellers, and always strive to be on time.

Responsible Travel

We believe that travel is a force for good and show our support through various initiatives and charity organizations, as well as keeping the principals of responsible and sustainable travel at the core of our ethos. These values are engrained in our business culture and the design of our trips just the same. Together with you, we strive to make a positive impact on local people and economies, respecting the local culture, environment, social fabric and customs; encouraging respectful and meaningful cross-cultural exchange. Read more at <https://www.traveltalktours.com/responsible-travel/>