



THE BERBER OF THE ANTI-ATLAS AND THE NOMADS OF THE DESERT

Following the Atlantic coast we visit some calm spots on the beach. Later arrival at the Anti-Atlas where you stay with a Berber family for some days hiking and sharing their life. Agadirs and engravings from ancient times line up the lanes to hidden sources. After crossing solitary landscapes to the desert of M'hamid we pass through the Valley of Drâa and participate in the rural life of the Berber living in the palmeraie.

DURATION 2 weeks

1. Day - AGADIR - TAROUDANNT

1 ½ hours

Arrival at Agadir Airport – we go directly to Taroudannt where we can visit the old Medina and the city walls of this ancient town. Over-night stay in a beautiful, traditional Riad in the Medina of Taroudannt. <http://www.riad-tafilag.com>

2. Day - TALIUOINE - AGDZ

4 ½ hours

Crossing the Anti-Atlas we make a stop-over in Taliouine. This small city is famous for its plantations of safran and the Berber carpets. Our tour is long on that day, so we head further to the Drâa Valley and its small city Agdz where we spend the night in an old but renewed Kasbah of a former Caid. Next day we visit the old Kasbah to see more of the ancient, traditional Architecture of the Berbers of the region.

<http://www.casbahdesarts.com>

3. Day - VALLEY OF DRÂA - TAMNOUGALTE - Oulad Othmane

1 hours

The following day we spend in the Drâa Valley, following hidden off-road paths nearby the river to enter into the life of the Berber habitants. The palm oasis and its fields can be discovered as well by walking and we have an opportunity to swim in a natural basin of the river Drâa. We participate at the rural life of the villages and visit the old Kasbah in Tamnougalte. Over-night stay in a traditional Kasbah hotel.



4. Day - TAMEGROUTE - M'HAMID

2 ½ hours

Our next stop is in Tamegroute where we take a look at the library of the ancient of the religious leaders. We also watch the traditional way of making pottery. Tamegroute is famous for both of it. After we can relax and have lunch at our friends home before we drive on to M'hamid. Over-night stay in a comfortable, traditional hotel with swimming pool.

<http://www.chezlepacha.com/>

5. - 7. Day - ERG CHEGAGA

Today's destination is the dunes of Chegaga. Our path leads off-road through the stone desert to Erg Chegaga. We pass the Oasis Sacrée where we prepare a barbecue. After arrival at the camp we start a three days trekking in the dunes with the dromedaries. The next days we trek along the dunes in solitude and silence. For our physical well-being our team is doing all the best: they cook our meals and built up tents for the nights – and the native nomads are used to make music with their instruments, mostly drums, and we can follow their strains. Sleeping in the sand dunes under a sky of stars or in the tents.

8. Day - FOUM ZGUID

3 hours

Next morning after breakfast we drive on off-road to Foug Zguid which is a village in a lorn swath of land with its bizarre formations of ridges in the Anti-Atlas. A nice Kasbah hotel for our over-night stay is awaiting us with a swimming pool to enjoy and relax.

<http://www.maroc-desert.com/index.html>

9. + 10. Day - TAFRAOUTE

5 hours

Our travel goes on through this amazing and weird landscape of the Anti-Atlas, wonderful and breathtaking. Afternoon we arrive in Tafraoute and the Valley of Ammeln, a valley with its almonds blossom in springtime. Here we stay two nights, visiting the Maison Traditionelle to understand the way of living of the Berber in this region and hiking a day through the Valley of Ammeln. If is not possible hiking we do an excursion to the nearby plateau of Ait Mansour with its amazing views and the beautiful village in a gorge. Over-night stays in a charming Kasbah hotel in Tafraoute with first-class cuisine. <http://www.elmalara.com/>

11. Day - AMTOUDI

3 hours

The following day we enter deeper into the region and the life of its habitants. We cross a wonderful gorge next to Ighmir and drive on to Amtoudi where we stay over-night with a Berber family. This place offers many specifics as an awesome hike through a river gorge up to a swimming basin and a climb up to an old agadir located nearby on top of a hill. This area always provides fresh air because of being located in a river valley.



12. Day - GUELMIM - MIRLEFT

3 hours

Before our departure we visit the engravings of our ancestors in this area – and we can find a lot of. After our discoveries we drive on to Guelmim where we can see the Blue Men of a nomadic tribe of the region or a dromedary race. Passing Sidi Ifni we arrive in the afternoon at Mirleft where we check in our very nice hotel with swimming pool. Sunset we head to Leghzira Beach with its fabulous sandstone arcs. A fresh caught fish at a beach restaurant will be our dinner for tonight. <http://www.untheauboutdumonde.com/>

13. + 14. Day - AGADIR

2 ½ hours

We spend our last two nights in an extraordinary, luxury eco-lodge on a hill behind the city. A cooking-class workshop is awaiting us – combined with perfect food, wonderful nature and a swimming pool to relax or a getaway to the beach life. Now it is time to say good-bye to our hosts and take our flights back home. <http://www.atlaskasbah.com/>

15. DAY - FLIGHT BACK HOME FROM AGADIR

Transfer back to the Airport – It is time to say good-bye to our hosts and take our flights back home.

Price

Per person in double or twin room – with 2 pax	17.150 MAD
Per person in double or twin room – with 4 pax	12.900 MAD

Benefits

- Transfer Airport - Hotel - Airport
- 11x overnight stay in ***hotels with half-board in a double/twin room
- 3x overnight stay in ***hotels with bed&breakfast in a double/twin room
- 13 day driving in a comfortable, air-conditioned off-road vehicle, petrol included
- Care by a driver familiar with place – and the desert
- 3 days camel trekking in the desert with full-board
- Cooking class workshop

Short-term program changes reserved



Travel registration

by fax to
or by mail to

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We want to join the following journey:

<i>Tour title</i> THE BERBER OF THE ANTI-ATLAS AND THE NOMADS OF THE DESERT

<i>Intended start date of journey</i>

<i>Destination Airport</i> Agadir

<i>Intended end date of journey</i>

<i>Departure Airport</i> Agadir

Subscriber 1/ Invoice recipient

<i>First Name / Family Name</i>

<i>Date of birth</i>

Subscriber 2

<i>First Name / Family Name</i>

<i>Date of birth</i>

Invoice address

<i>Street / House number</i>

<i>Postcode / City</i>

<i>Phone / Mobile</i>

<i>eMail</i>

Double-room

Single room

Half Twin
((only available with a fitting partner))

<i>Place / Date</i>

<i>Signature</i>



The passport must be valid minimum 6 more months at the intended date of return! Program changes are subject to modifications and amendments of our partners. As recently as receiving the travel confirmation together with the bankruptcy insurance policy, please pay in advance 30% of the travel fee.