



*** Short trip 1 week – 8 days / 7 nights ***

MOROCCO'S SOUTH

Mountains and desert tour from and back to Marrakech including camel excursion and overnight stay in a desert camp Marrakech and the High Atlas with its Kasbahs of Telouet and Ait Benhaddou, Ouarzazate and the palmeraie of Skoura, the Todra and the Dades Gorge, the Rose Valley and the dunes of the desert are the hot spots of this tour as well as the Drâa Valley with its palm oasis.

DAY 1-2

MARHABA IN MARRAKECH

Arrival at destination – we take you from the airport and bring you to your Ryad in the medina. In the vibrant, oriental city of Marrakech our we spend our first day. The city guide will come in the morning of the following day to bring you to enjoy Marrakech and visit interesting places: sightseeing of the Koutoubia mosque, the Saadian Tombs and the palaces Dar Sidi Said and the Palais Bahia, as well as the Mellah and the souks are on the program. Arrangement of the half-day tour as desired with your city guide. Highlight is the Medina with its colourful daily life and the market place "Djema el fnaa".

DAY 3

THE HIGH ATLAS AND THE KASBAHS – OASIS SKOURA

Telouet is a residence of the Atlas King El-Glaoui and one of the highlights of a journey across the High Atlas. We visit the Kasbah of the Glaoui Royal Family before we continue our tour through the impressive gorges of the High Atlas to the fortified city of Kasbah Ait Benhaddou which was another residence of the Atlas King El-Glaoui and already served in many films as an impressive backdrop. Towards to evening we reach the oasis of Skoura in a very special landscape. Here we are introduced to the irrigation technology of the region and learn to know the most original way to produce pottery in the region. We visit the Kasbah Amerhidil which is the country's oldest Kasbah and hike along the river. Two nights half board in the comfortable and traditional Kasbah-Hotel which has a large garden with its own spring. Overnight with half-board in a comfortable, traditional Kasbah Hotel in Skoura.

DAY 4

THE DADES GORGE

Our new day starts entering the Rose Valley. We are following the road until Boutaghrar and then our path turns to an off-road piste. High up in the mountain we visit a group of native Berber living up there in caves like in other times. Hospitality is a major sign of respect and we are invited for a glass of tea and an interchange of traditions. Later we drive on through the valley of the river Dades, a wonderful play of nature with amazing stone formations. A short hike in the impressive gorge brings us deep into the special moods and color variations of the High Atlas. Overnight with half-board in a comfortable, traditional Kasbah Hotel.

Day 5

TODHRA GORGES – MERZOUGA – CAMEL TREK AND DESERT CAMP

We set off down the Dades Valley to the provincial centre of Tinerhir, and detour here to visit the extensive palm oasis and stroll through the famous Todhra Gorge – an unmissable sight in this area. We then head out towards the Sahara Desert, past stunning Kasbahs, stopping at Erfoud to visit its renowned Fossil Museum, featured in David Attenborough's recent BBC TV series about the origins of life on earth. We continue on to arrive for tea in the late afternoon at the foot of the golden dunes of Erg Chebbi in the Sahara. From here you will mount your camels and trek out with your camel-driver into the heart of the desert for about 2 hours into the setting sun – an unforgettable adventure! They bring you to a desert camp with traditional nomad tents where you can relax, have dinner, listen to traditional music around the camp fire, or wander into the sands and marvel at the stars...

Day 6

SAHARA DESERT – RISSANI – N'KOB – KASBAH OULAD OTHMAN

Wake up early to see the sun rise over the dunes– it's fun to climb the nearest dune to do this! Then have breakfast in your camp before a 45-minute camel ride back to your transport which awaits you at a hotel offering a second breakfast we drive bey the way to Kasbah Oulad Othmane located in the Drâa Valley. Here we visit a village community with its school and examine the cultivation of the crops in the oasis. Overnight stay with half board in the traditional and comfortable Kasbah Oulad Othmane.

Day 7

OUARZAZATE – MARRAKECH

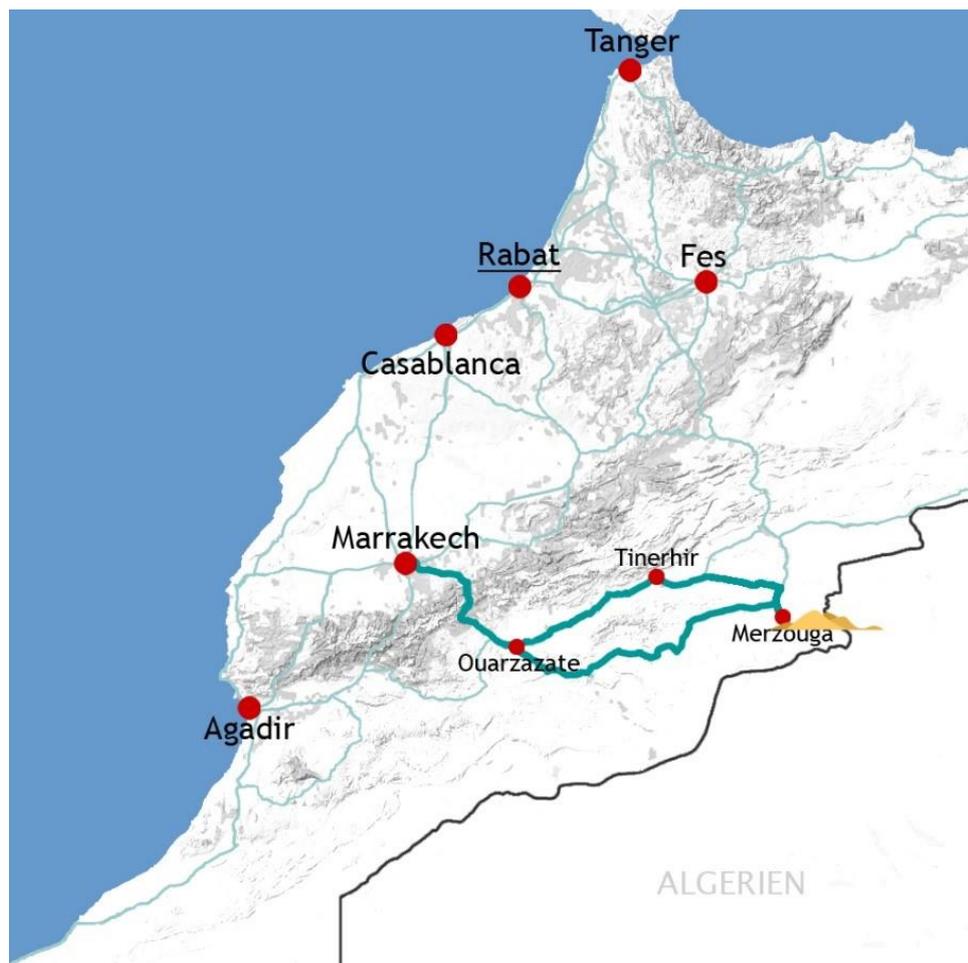
We pass through the Drâa Valley and cross over the Tizi-n-Tinifift pass (1660m) and through the mountain village of Ait Saoun with panoramic views of the Drâa Valley and the Atlas Mountains. This brings us back to Ouarzazate where we visit the Film Studios which have been the location for many famous Hollywood films. After we take a different route into the remote heart of the High Atlas to Tizi-n-Tichka Pass and enjoy the mountain scenery in the afternoon light before our arrival back at our hotel in Marrakech.

DAY 8

FLIGHT BACK HOME FROM MARRAKECH

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

ROUTE



PRICE

Per person in double or twin room – with 2 pax 8.750 MAD

Per person in double or twin room – with 4 pax 6.750 MAD

BENEFITS

- Transfer Airport - Hotel - Airport
- 4x overnight stay in ***hotels with half-board in a double/twin room
- 3x overnight stay in ***hotels bed & breakfast
- 5 days driving in a comfortable, air-conditioned off-road vehicle, petrol included
- Care by a driver familiar with place – and the desert
- 1x camel trekking with overnight stay in a luxury tent, half-board
- City guide in Marrakech

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