



# Experience Magical Morocco



**HOLIDAY TYPE:** Flexible Dates  
**VISITING:**

**BROCHURE CODE:** 5580  
**DURATION:** 7 nights

## In Brief

This fantastic seven-night itinerary will allow you to experience the essence of Morocco and its rich culture. You will get the chance to try out amazing activities on both the sand and the sea while travelling from serene Berber villages to bustling city souks. Along the journey, you'll also get a taste of the local cuisine and culture!



## What's included?

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- **Transfers:** all transfers included
- **Accommodation:** 3 nights at Oasis Lodges, 1 night in a luxury tent in the Agafay Desert, 3 nights in 1 bedroom riad at Rebal Riad
- **Meals:** 7 breakfasts, 1 Lunch
- **The following activities are included in the holiday:** Atlas Mountains day, Marrakech souk tour (order subject to change)\*
- Fully qualified guides and instructors during activities with all equipment provided

\* Please note that we do not include activities at Rebalis Riads although there is an extensive range of options that can be booked locally. You can go through these after checking in at this wonderfully relaxing resort. That way, you can decide exactly how busy or how laid-back your time there will be. If you would like to indulge your sense of adventure you can try camel trekking, horse riding, surfing, quad biking, an Essaouira souk visit and cookery lessons.

## Trip Overview

Starting in Marrakech, you will spend your three nights at Oasis Lodges, where you can dwell in the tranquility and stroll through the beautiful gardens.

On a tour of the fascinating souks, you will discover a variety of sights, sounds, and smells as well as learn about the locals way of life. You will also travel to Morocco's breath-taking Atlas Mountains, which are a must see on any visit to this country.

Next up is a night under the stars. Spend a night in a luxury bivouac in the Agafay Desert and tick off another bucket list activity.

The second part of your trip takes you to the area of the historic harbour city of Essaouira. At the magnificent Rebal Riads hotel, a stunning location with a typical Moroccan design, you will stay in an opulent villa.

The attentive and accommodating staff will give you the chance to sit down, talk, and plan your own schedule here. You can choose your own activities (payable locally) and set your own pace. A variety of cultural, culinary, and adventurous options are available.

You should absolutely take advantage of the hotel's amenities when you have free time. Relax in a classic hammam steam room, splash around in the pool, or enjoy a game of tennis.

# Agenda

Please note the order of activities is subject to change

DAY  
1

## ARRIVAL AND WELCOME

Upon arrival in Marrakech, your transfer vehicle will take you to your accommodation at Oasis Lodges, approximately 10 minutes away.

Once you have checked in, you can make yourselves at home in your accommodation for the night. Why not try the hotel restaurant for dinner or you can ask them for a recommendation in the local area.

**Included Meals:** None

DAY  
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## DAY IN THE ATLAS MOUNTAINS

Fill up at breakfast in preparation for a lovely excursion exploring the Atlas Mountains.

A two-hour transfer will take you to your starting point, the village of Imlil, from where you will spend the day trekking in this scenic region with a mountain guide.

Mount Toubkal, the highest peak in the Atlas Mountains, looms in the background as you take to the trail. You will walk through small hamlets and woods filled with walnut trees, weaving up to higher ground along the mountain track.

The views are incredible and this is a marvellous way to show off the natural side of Morocco, which is easily missed when just sticking to popular urban attractions.

There will be the chance to visit at least one village in the area for a sense of life in these rural parts of the country, and lunch will be provided. The trip can be tailored to the needs and abilities of the group also.

You will return to Oasis Lodges in the late afternoon.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

DAY  
3

### THREE HOUR SOUK TOUR

You will all be whisked away for a fabulous tour of Marrakech's impressive souks. Potters, olive-sellers, tanners, dancers, magicians...the list of people and stalls you will encounter here is endless.

Cameras should always be at the ready, and given the wild mix of life, every photo opportunity is likely to be as remarkable as the next.

After this bustling day, you can sit back and relax during your last evening at Oasis Lodges.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast

DAY  
4

### SLEEP UNDER THE STARS

Experience the magic of the Agafay desert with a unique stay at either Inara or Scarabeo Camp. You'll stay in a luxury glamping suite with panoramic views of the stunning Atlas Mountains and sleep under the star-studded sky.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast

DAYS  
5 TO 7

### SET YOUR OWN ITINERARY

At Rebal Riads, you can sit down with your hosts and discuss the activities you would like to schedule during your stay. We do not include these so you have complete control over what you would like to do and how active you would like to be.

The Activities available are: Camel trekking, Quad biking, Berber lunch, Farm tour and argan oil, Surfing (also wind-surfing and kite-surfing), horse riding and cookery lessons. For more details on these and an indication of local prices, please speak to one of our travel experts.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast

DAY  
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### DEPARTURE

Tuck into your last Moroccan breakfast before being transferred to Marrakech Airport for your journey home. Please note that the transfer time is around 3 hours.

Included Meals: Breakfast

## Personalise this tour

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### Our pick



### Spend a night in The Enchanting Marrakech Medina

If you would like to extend your trip and spend a night or two in the ancient heart of this vibrant city, please speak to one of our Travel Experts about your requirements and we will come back with the perfect riad for you! Many riads also have rooftop terraces with stunning views of the city. These are great places to relax and enjoy the sunset or people-watch.

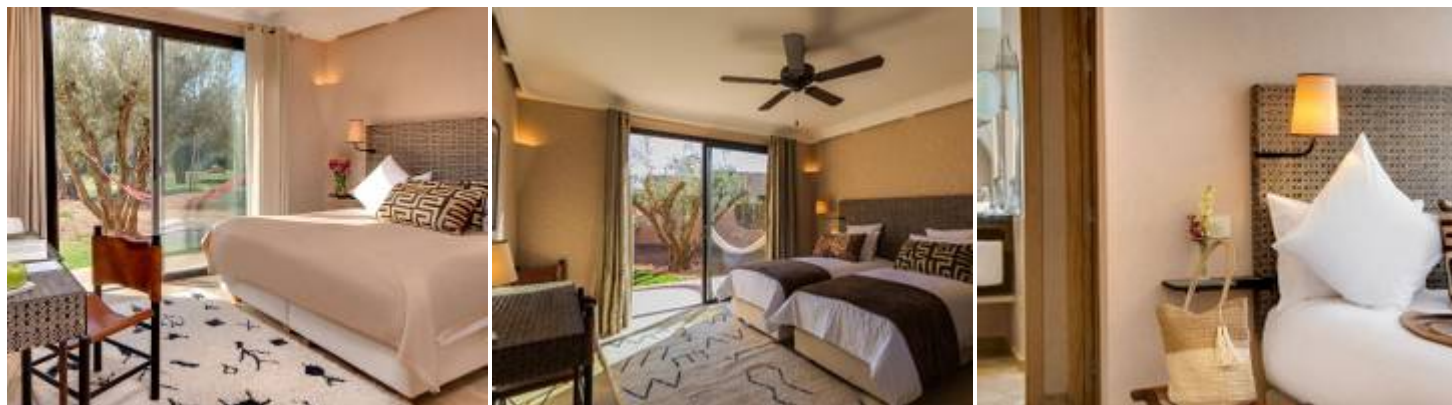
The medina itself is a maze of narrow streets and alleyways, and it is easy to get lost. However, this is part of the charm of the medina and that extends to your arrival. Your transfer will drop you and your luggage off at the gates of the medina. One of the knowledgeable porters will put your luggage on their trolley and will take you straight to your riad. It is useful to pay attention to the route as it will help you get your bearings but your hosts will also be able to provide you with maps and directions once you are checked in.

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## Included Accommodation

Oasis Lodges (Nights: 1-3)





Discover the allure of Oasis Lodges in Marrakech, where traditional Moroccan elegance meets contemporary luxury. The thoughtfully designed accommodations are adorned with vibrant hues and authentic embellishments. Delight in serenity amidst lush gardens, a glistening pool, and an indulgent spa offering revitalising hammam rituals and massages or make a splash in the nearby waterpark. There is a non-licensed restaurant on-site and plenty of other options within walking distance of the property. If you'd like to venture into the enchanting Medina or Jemaa el-Fnaa, there is a complimentary shuttle bus service available.

## ROOM TYPE

### 2 Bedroom Lodge

Offering luxury and comfort, the lodges comprise of two double or twin rooms, separate shower and toilet. The living room is adorned with a fireplace and terrace with a view of the private garden. Equipped with a Smart TV, mini bar, espresso coffee machine, tea service, safe and hammock, a comfortable stay is beckoning. These lodges benefit from the following services: breakfast, entrance to the OASIRIA Park, daily bottle of water and a basket of seasonal fruit on the day of your arrival.

Your room type will be confirmed at the time of booking. All room types are subject to availability.

### Inara or Scarabeo Camp (Nights: 4)



Enjoy a night under a star-studded sky in the Agafay Desert. You will spend an evening at either the Inara or Scarabeo Camp. Both sites offer a luxurious and intimate camping experience set against the

breathtaking backdrop of the canyons of the majestic Marrakech desert of Agafay.

*Please note that the camp you are booked into will depend on availability.*

### Inara Camp facilities

- Sixth luxury camp designed and created by **Vincent Jaquet**
- 21-hectare plot
- On-site restaurant offering a delicious breakfast, lunch, and dinner
- 8 private dining tents offering authentic Moroccan cuisine and include entertainment with duo gnaoua, fire eater and henna tattoo each night
- 18 glamping tents, each measuring from 25 to 36m<sup>2</sup>
- Bio-designed heated swimming pool
- 24 hour night guard
- All excursions and activities are organised in partnership with local companies that respect a strict and rigorous code of ethics
- Animals are monitored by veterinary (vaccines, treatments, insurance) and perfectly fed

### Inara Camp Glamping Suites

Your private glamping suite consists of a metal structure fixed on a wooden terrace and three layers of fabric for ultimate comfort.

The Glamping suites have the following facilities:

- King-size bed
- Lounge area
- En-suite facilities
- 24-hour electricity
- Orange blossom 'Les Sens de Marrakech' welcome products and Argan oil soap
- Hairdryer
- Fire extinguisher

Some suites also include a private terrace with sun lounger, double or twin bed, extra bed and cot and a wood stove

### Scarabeo Camp facilities

- 360° views of the Agafay's barren grandeur and beyond to the snow-capped Atlas mountains
- Meals are served around a candlelit communal table
- 10 private rooms/suites/tents
- Swimming pool
- All excursions and activities are organised in partnership with local companies that respect a strict and rigorous code of ethics
- Animals are monitored by veterinary (vaccines, treatments, insurance) and perfectly fed

### Scarabeo Camp Glamping Suites

Your private glamping suite consists of a metal structure fixed on a wooden terrace and three layers of fabric for ultimate comfort.

The Glamping suites have the following facilities:

- Thick white cotton tent
- Authentic décor, furnishings and lanterns
- Double or twin beds
- Lounge area
- Writing desk and facilities
- En-suite facilities housing western toilets and Berber shower facilities with one hot and one cold bucket of water
- Traditional black soap
- Two shower/tents with a "real shower" are available at the camp for everyone

## Rebali Riads (Nights: 5-7)



White walls and bright interiors meet gleaming swimming pools and scattered greenery in this hotel, which takes after a 'riad', or traditional Moroccan house. 'Paradise' might be a better word, because it's a place of sun-soaked luxury. There are seven private villas, each with fully-furnished kitchens, dining courtyards, and personal gardens. Four of these are larger and come with their own pool, while the three smaller buildings share two inter-connected pools between them. All have inviting roof terraces with all-round views of sand, sea and countryside. The main hotel has hammam and spa facilities, a tennis court, and a service kitchen with a full-time chef.

### Hotel facilities

- With a full-time chef available on-request, you can look forward to gorgeous Moroccan specialities and European favourites served fresh in the dining area or by the pool
- Challenge the kids on the tennis court or try out a game of boules in the large shared garden. There's also a table tennis set and plenty of board games to keep the family entertained
- Get fully refreshed in the Moroccan hammam steam-room or go for a continental spa treatment. There is also a small gift shop in the reception building
- Read up on your next activity or look for something to book with the free Wi-Fi, which is available in reception and at certain hotspots around the riads

### Room type



Each of the seven riads is uniquely designed, based around a dining courtyard area which is covered with a remote-controlled sliding glass roof. Each also has a fully decked-out kitchen and a roof terrace with 360° views of the surroundings.

**Dar Azreq:** This riad has two bedrooms with ensuite bathrooms, each containing two basins. The bathroom attached to the main bedroom has a marble-lined bath and twin showers. As well as a personal roof terrace, Dar Azreq has a garden with a gated entrance to the shared pool area.

**Dar Etoile:** This has one master bedroom and a snug room which can be converted into a bedroom. The bathroom comes with twin showers and basins and a bath topped with marble. There is also a downstairs toilet. It also has a kitchen, dining courtyard, and sitting room with a fireplace. In addition, Dar Etoile has a private roof terrace and garden with a gated entrance to the shared pool area.

**Dar Jeseli:** This two bedroom riad has two ensuite bathrooms with twin basins; the main bedroom bathroom has double showers and a marble-lined bath. There is a private roof terrace and a garden with a gated entrance to the shared pool area.

**Dar Mevada:** This riad has three bedrooms – one is a master suite with a four-poster bed and ensuite bathroom; the other two share one bathroom which contains a marble-lined bath and a shower. There is a kitchen and dining courtyard, bar area, and sitting room. Outside there is a private pool, as well as a private roof terrace.

**Riad Sila:** This riad has three suites, each having its own balcony and bathroom with a shower, marble-topped bath, and twin basins. In the master suite, there is a four-poster bed and open-plan bathroom. Downstairs is a grand, high-ceilinged sitting room; this sits next to a snug room which can be converted into a fourth bedroom. The snug room has an open fire and access to the downstairs shower room. Riad Sila has its own pool and a private roof terrace.

**Riad Valmar:** The largest of the riads, this is based around three courtyards: one with a sliding glass roof and dining area; another with orange trees, a water fountain, and open space; and the last meeting the three sides of the swimming pool. The courtyards link up with the sitting room and cinema room. Upstairs are four suites, each with private terraces and ensuite bathrooms – containing twin basins and walk-in showers. Two are master suites containing four-poster beds, marble-topped baths, and twin showers. The cinema room can be converted into a fifth bedroom and has access to the downstairs shower room.

**Dar Jamila:** This three-bedroom riad is a few steps away from the main hotel building, slightly closer to the sea. The riad has an open plan living room with kitchen, breakfast bar, fireplace, TV and dining table. Outside there is a large terrace and private pool, as well as a private roof terrace with views of the sea. The master bedroom has a four-poster bed with en-suite bathroom, walk-in shower and twin basins. The second bedroom has a king size bed and the third has two twin beds. Both rooms have en-suite bathrooms with walk-in showers and twin basins.

Please note that the images above show a variety of accommodation options.

## The Specifics

## Group Size

We always try to provide an approximation of the group size you can expect to be with for the duration of each of our holidays. It may be that you are joined by others for parts of your holiday (such as transfers and particular activities) but the above number reflects those you can normally expect to be with from beginning to end. If group size is something which is particularly important to you, please speak to our Travel Experts and they can suggest the best holidays for you.

Tailor-made holiday group sizes will vary for all activities as will the group size for any additional activities you book.

## Minimum and maximum age

If a specific minimum age applies to this holiday, it can be found in the Key Facts box on the holiday Overview page.

Unless otherwise stated in the in the Key Facts box on the holiday Overview page, the minimum age for participation in an Artisan holiday is typically 8 years old (there may be younger children in some destinations who have booked with other companies). If an adult-only environment is important to you, then please contact our Travel Experts and they will advise on the best dates and destinations for you. If you are looking for a holiday designed specifically for families then please see our sister company [www.activitiesabroad.com](http://www.activitiesabroad.com)

## Itinerary amendments

The order of activities listed in this agenda is provided for guidance only, your final and detailed itinerary will be provided either with your final travel documents (which are uploaded into your online account around a week prior to departure) or upon arrival.

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