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The Heart of Morocco

Explore Richly Layered Culture & History from the Sahara to the High Atlas

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Trip Details:

Days
12 Days / Mar–Apr, Oct–Dec

Price
From $12895

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Beyond familiar travel circuits, our journey into Morocco's interior reveals enduring cultural heritage and landscapes less encountered. From cooking in clay tagines and creating filigreed silver jewelry to crafting fine ceramics in Tamegroute, using artisan methods honed by local families over 400 years, age-old traditions are woven into everyday practice. Stay under the stars in Erg Chigaga, one of the country's most remote dune systems. Amid the great sand sea crossed by ancient camel caravans, nomadic life persists, and we join a family to taste *abadir,* a type of bread baked by desert travelers in hot ash under the sand. Beyond the dunes, follow flowing water through date palm oases lined with crumbling red kasbahs, then ascend into the High Atlas Mountains to wander traditional villages and share mint tea with our hospitable Amazigh hosts. Authentic Morocco is pure enchantment, and it awaits your discovery on our carefully curated itinerary.

Trip Highlights

Go Beyond the Standard Tourist Trail

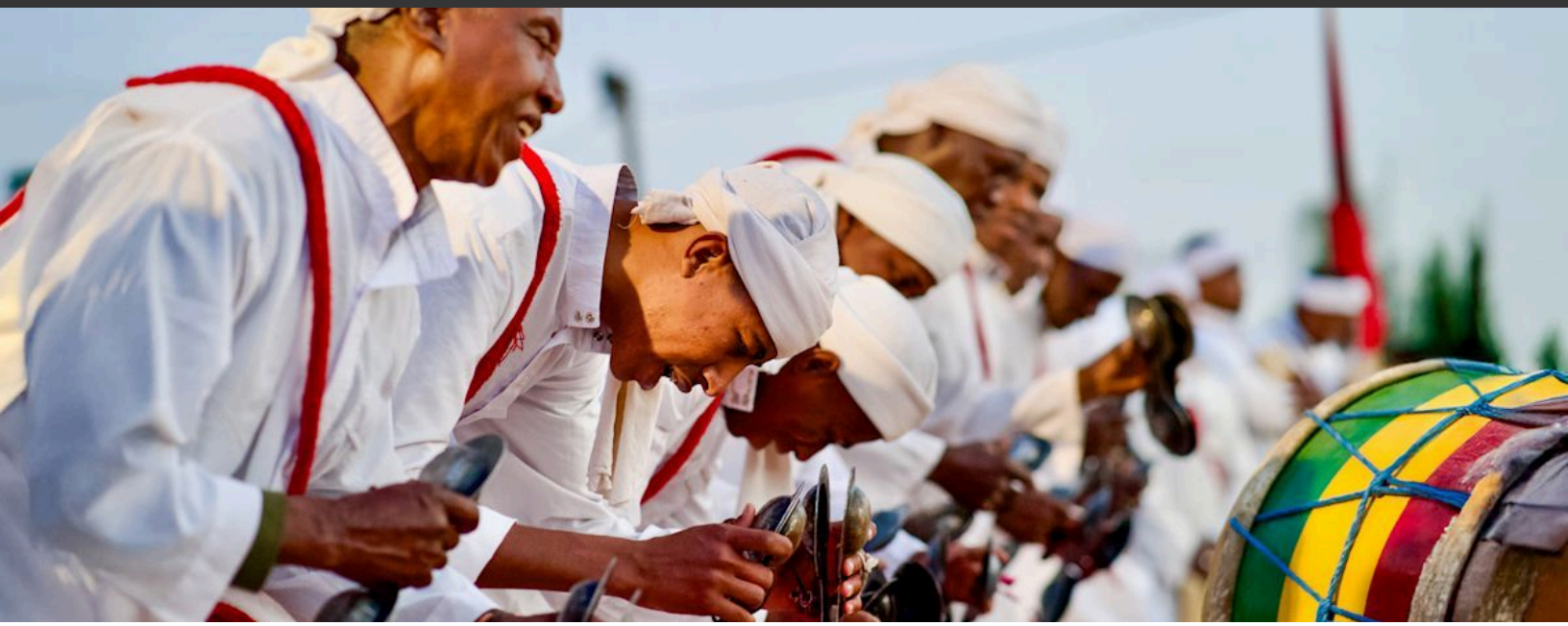
Our itinerary exchanges a checklist of heavily visited sights for intimate encounters with Morocco's people, diverse landscapes and entrancing history

Encounter Living Traditions in Everyday Life

Follow Morocco's layered heritage from the bustling lanes of old Marrakesh into High Atlas villages as we learn traditional crafts and share home-cooked meals

Stay Under the Stars in the Remote Sahara

Retreat into Morocco's most isolated sand dunes at a luxury desert camp in Erg Chigaga, walk with camels on ancient caravan paths, and bake bread with nomads



The Heart of Morocco Itinerary

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Itinerary at a Glance

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Day 11	High Atlas Mountains
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Day 1

Marrakesh

Arrive in Marrakesh, once a crossroads of the caravan trade

- Explore the walled Medina and Jemaa el-Fnaa, a gathering place for vendors, musicians and storytellers
- Settle into a traditional riad centered around a quiet inner courtyard
- Join your Expedition Leader for a welcome dinner of slow-cooked tagines, fresh bread and mint tea

Our Moroccan sojourn begins in storied Marrakesh, a vibrant city founded nearly a thousand years ago as an important trading hub for camel caravans carrying gold, salt and textiles from sub-Saharan African to the Mediterranean. Set against the backdrop of the snowcapped Atlas Mountains, Marrakesh is known as the Rose City for its salmon-pink, ochre and red sandstone buildings, walls, mosques and palaces, which glow more intensely at sunset.

The Medina—the medieval Old City of Marrakesh enclosed by the original ramparts—is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Its narrow lanes, souks and cafes thrum with frenetic energy, while the Medina's centerpiece, Jemaa el-Fna square, is a veritable open-air theater for Moroccan cultural expression, bustling with vendors, food stalls, fortune-tellers, dancers, musicians, magicians, and dispensers of traditional medicine. It was inscribed on UNESCO's list of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity in 2008.

We settle into our intimate *riad* within the Medina, a traditional Moroccan house designed around a private inner courtyard that offers a calm retreat from the city's animated streets. As evening falls, head up to the rooftop terrace for a mesmerizing panorama of the terracotta cityscape. Listen for the muezzin's call to prayer at sunset, rippling over the rooftops and drawing the faithful to attention. Tonight, we gather with our Expedition Leader for a relaxed welcome dinner featuring classic tastes of Morocco—slow-cooked tagines in traditional earthenware pots, fresh-baked bread, and sweet mint tea—an introduction to the flavors that permeate everyday life here.

Day 2

High Atlas Mountains / Ouarzazate / Zagora

Cross the High Atlas along an old caravan route

- Travel over Tizi n'Tichka Pass, North Africa's highest paved road
- Explore the adobe corridors and shaded courtyards of Taourirt Kasbah
- Follow the Draa Valley's ribbon of date palms to the desert town of Zagora

After breakfast, travel south into the High Atlas across Tizi n'Tichka Pass. The highest paved road in North Africa at 7,415 feet, it was built by the French military in 1936, following an old caravan trail. Slicing through terraced slopes of walnut trees tended by local Amazigh communities, the dramatic route twists through high valleys and rocky mountainsides. The range forms a natural divide between Morocco's Atlantic-facing plains and the arid south, and as we switchback up to crest the pass, the scenery shifts from green orchards to stony ridgelines and stark, arid terrain that falls away sharply below.

Descending to Ouarzazate, stop to explore Taourirt Kasbah, a fortified residence complex that is a stunning hallmark of traditional Moroccan earthen architecture. Expanded in the 19th century by the Glaoui dynasty, which controlled one of the major southern caravan routes to West Africa at the confluence of several river valleys, the palace contained 300 rooms and 20 riads at its height of influence in the 1930s. Wander the narrow, maze-like corridors into shaded courtyards, admiring the thick adobe walls and carved details.

Continue into the Draa Valley, where a long ribbon of date palms shelters villages built from sun-dried mud brick. This oasis corridor—a green artery set within an austere landscape— was once a resting spot for trans-Saharan caravans. Arrive by late afternoon in Zagora, a desert-edge town long tied to trade and travel. Settling into our lodge, relax on the terrace among the palms before dinner under the vast sky.

Day 3

Draa Valley

Meet the potters and silversmiths of the Draa Valley

- Watch Tamegroute artisans fire green-glazed ceramics in palm-frond kilns
- Enter an ancient Koranic library holding thousands of rare manuscripts
- Share mint tea with Amazigh silversmiths in Amezrou, once a stop on the caravan route from Timbuktu

Explore the cultural heart of the lower Draa Valley today. In Tamegroute, watch local potters fire their distinctive green-glazed ceramics in palm-frond-fueled kilns, continuing a craft passed down through generations. Produced for over 400 years by families in the valley using ancestral techniques, this pottery features clay from the Draa River and a unique copper oxide mixture. In small workshops producing daily wares, these potters welcome us to observe their process, as they create pieces that are as necessary and useful as they are beautiful. We also visit Tamegroute's ancient Koranic library, with 4,000 rare manuscripts attesting to the town's significant intellectual, literary and religious heritage. Among the documents that may be on display are an ancient map of Alexandria, an illuminated manuscript with wild, bold calligraphy from Samarkand, an illustrated dictionary of animals, an Arabic grammar book, Berber (Amazigh) poetry written in Arabic, a 15th-century Egyptian book of astronomy, and a stunning Koran written on gazelle-hide in a rhythmic hand from 11th-century Cordoba.

Continuing to nearby Amezrou, a quiet village set among lush fields, where camel trains used to stop on the journey from Timbuktu. Wander narrow lanes of cracked earth among kasbahs once home to renowned silversmiths who transformed caravan wealth into intricate jewelry. Today, that tradition continues as Amazigh artisans create elaborately filigreed designs that hark back to a heritage of craftsmanship passed down over hundreds of years. Share mint tea with local hosts, and gain insight into how artistry, trade and hospitality remain central to daily life along this historic corridor. These moments unfold through personal introductions and conversation, made possible by our inside access rarely available to larger or faster-moving tours.

Day 4

Erg Chigaga

Reach the remote dunes of Erg Chigaga

- Travel by 4x4 beyond the last pavement into the southern Sahara
- Walk beside camels and local guides at the traditional pace of desert travel
- Spend the night at an isolated camp beneath the Milky Way

For generations, the Draa Valley marked the final cultivated corridor before entering the vast expanse of the Sahara. Still today, its palm groves and canals support villages that depend on shared water and long-established trade routes. Beyond the last stands of green, movement is guided by wind, shifting sand and long-ingrained experience, rather than roads or firm boundaries. We begin the transition from oasis to dunes this morning, traveling by 4x4 beyond the last pavement into the southern Sahara. As the track fades, the landscape expands. Stony reg—large, flat tracts of hardened sand—gives way to low dune fields and patches of scrub, while the horizon stretches until there is nothing to interrupt the view in any direction. A camel walk offers a chance to appreciate the classic pace of desert travel, walking alongside local people as they go about their daily movements across these sands.

By late afternoon, we arrive at Erg Chigaga, among the most remote dune systems in Morocco, where vast sweeps of sand roll away toward the horizon beneath the endless sky. Erg Chigaga retains a sense of wilderness that has all but disappeared from other more touristed edges of the Sahara, with only a fraction of the camps found elsewhere. It is still possible to get to the top of a large dune, look as far as the eye can see, and not see a soul. Our destination is an isolated luxury camp, tucked in a hollow of the dunes. Enveloped by the Sahara, we find profound silence and seclusion. As dusk falls, the desert grows even quieter. Stars start to appear, until we find ourselves beneath a spangled canopy, with the entire Milky Way glittering in an arc overhead. Gather for dinner, then share an evening with nomadic musicians whose songs carry memories of long journeys and enduring traditions imbued with ancient desert rhythms.

Day 5

Erg Chigaga / Lake Iriki National Park

Follow the old Salt Road by camel caravan through the deep Sahara

- Walk with a small camel caravan while learning to read tracks, wind patterns and desert plants
- Taste abadir, a savory bread baked in hot ash beneath the sand
- Cross the salt pans of Lake Iriki in search of fossils and hardy desert vegetation

Spend a full day exploring the subtle elements of the Sahara ecosystem. Erg Chigaga retains a sense of wildness that has all but disappeared from more touristed edges of the Sahara. It is still possible to get to the top of a large dune, look as far as the eye can see, and not see a soul. Although we feel dwarfed by this landscape, it is but a sliver of the entire Sahara, which spans 3.6 million square miles across northern Africa, the largest hot desert in the world. Most of the Sahara is rocky *hamada* (stone plateaus); *ergs*—the sand seas like the one we are immersed in — form only a minor part, contrary to most assumptions.

We walk a stretch of the historic Salt Road with a small caravan, learning to read the landscape through wind patterns on the dunes, beetle tracks, and the resilient shrubs that anchor life here—signs long understood by people who have lived in and traveled the desert for millennia. The Salt Road was the famed 52-day caravan route between Zagora and Timbuktu, used by nomads and traders. The Indigenous Berber-speaking people of southern Morocco (now known as Amazigh) began regular crossings in the 5th century, with organized trade routes established by the 8th century. North African merchants brought salt from desert mines to exchange for West African gold. By the 12th century, caravans could consist of more than 12,000 camels. Some 6-7 million enslaved people were also transported via this route from Sub-Saharan Africa to the Atlantic coast, particularly after the 1500s.

Stopping for a picnic lunch, we learn how *abadir* is prepared, sampling this savory bread baked in hot ash in the sand—reflecting how desert travelers have long adapted to the conditions of life on the move. Later, venture by 4x4 to the salt pans of Lake Iriki National Park. Scan the cracked surface for fossils in this vast, dessicated lakebed that was once an oasis for migratory birds, and look for hardy plants that have adapted to the extreme climate. We also stop to share tea with nomadic families, enjoying hospitality across cultures rooted in the trust built through our local connections. Return to camp as the day cools, watching the dunes glow orange in the lingering light, anticipating another brilliantly clear night sky.

Day 6

Valley of a Thousand Kasbahs / Skoura

Sunrise in the Sahara before the palm oasis of Skoura

- Watch sunrise spread across the dunes before departing Erg Chigaga
- Drive through the Valley of a Thousand Kasbahs past earthen fortresses still inhabited today
- Arrive among Skoura's date, olive and almond groves, cultivated since the 12th century

Rising early, bask in the golden light of sunrise as it spills across the dunes. After breakfast, it's time to depart the Sahara, following the Draa Valley palm belt northward through the Valley of a Thousand Kasbahs, a scenic region hemmed by mountains and renowned for its dense concentration of rammed-earth, mud-brick and clay fortresses. While many lie in ruins, plenty are still occupied as residences today, with fortified towers that attest to centuries of trade and defense. Here, we are in the heart of Berber, or Amazigh, culture, a rich heritage of North Africa's Indigenous people that dates back over 10,000 years. The Amazigh represent a significant portion of Morocco's population, with about 28% speaking Tamazight (the Amazigh language) and more than half the country's people claiming Amazigh heritage.

Along our route, where the stark desert landscape gives way to cultivated greenery, the surrounding irrigation canals and palm groves reveal how conscious water conservation sustains life here. Arriving in the lush palm oasis of Skoura, we feel the shift from open desert to a calm, enclosed environment shaded by rusting fronds and cooled by running water. Here at the confluence of several rivers and streams that course down from the High Atlas Mountains just to the north, careful management of spring flows provides year-round sustenance for Skoura's extensive palmeraie. The massive groves date to the 12th century, filled with date palms as well as olive and almond orchards. Settle into our lodge, a peaceful refuge surrounded by pomegranate, fig and olive trees, where birdsong replaces the Sahara's stillness. Once night falls, enjoy a candlelight dinner featuring fresh, locally sourced menu ingredients.

Day 7

Skoura

Learn how hidden water channels sustain the Skoura oasis

- Walk through the palm groves with your Expedition Leader to see the ancient khettara irrigation system
- Observe layered cultivation, with date palms above fruit trees and vegetables
- Try a foot-powered wheel with one of Skoura's last traditional potters

With our Expedition Leader, take a guided walk through Skoura's palm groves, learning how families here have sustained oasis agriculture for generations through *khettaras*—ancient underground channels that carry life-giving water. In the shade of the palms, notice the elegant logic of layered cultivation: dates high above, fruit trees below, and vegetables nearer the ground where cooler air lingers. Later, meet one of Skoura's last traditional potters. Watch as utilitarian vessels are shaped on a foot-powered wheel, the practiced, steady motions connecting this meticulous craft across generations that have perpetuated it. Those who wish may try the wheel, gaining a tactile understanding of the patience required to produce even the simplest forms.

Day 8

Skoura

Cook Moroccan dishes in a family home

- Balance spices by scent and taste while preparing classic recipes with local hosts
- Tend traditional clay ovens as the meal slowly comes together
- Visit Kasbah Amridil to see how grain stores, family quarters and water management supported oasis life

This morning, enjoy a relaxed cooking class with local hosts, beginning with a short walk or tuk-tuk ride into the palm grove. Working together in a family kitchen, learn to recognize and balance spices by scent and taste, prepare classic Moroccan dishes, and tend traditional clay ovens as flavors meld and meals slowly come together. When the preparation is done, gather to share the food we've helped create, savoring the aroma, the taste, and the conversations around the table. In the afternoon, continue exploring Skoura. Join our Expedition Leader for a guided visit to Kasbah Amridil, where earthen walls, grain stores and family quarters offer insight into generations of life supported by agriculture, water management and trade. Those who wish may return to the pottery workshop to collect a finished piece, or spend unhurried time at the lodge—journal, relax by the pool, or simply absorb the peaceful rustle of the palms as the day unfolds.

Day 9

Ait Ben Haddou / Amazigh Museum / Ourika Valley

Explore Ait Ben Haddou on the old caravan road

- Walk through the fortified mud-brick village used as a setting for Lawrence of Arabia and Gladiator
- Visit a museum devoted to Amazigh music, art and oral traditions
- Cross the High Atlas into the Ourika Valley of orchards, villages and waterfalls

Travel west today to Ait Ben Haddou, the best-preserved example of a *ksar,* or fortified village, with high defensive walls holding many families (versus a kasbah that is the home of a single family). This UNESCO World Heritage-listed 17-century complex is located along a former caravan route between the Sahara and Marrakesh and was an important trading post in its day. Rising above a shallow riverbed, the stacked blocks of red brick are a splendid example of earthen clay architecture so distinctive to southern Morocco. Chances are you may have seen Ait Ben Haddou before without knowing it: the setting is a popular film location for Hollywood productions including Lawrence of Arabia, Gladiator, and Game of Thrones. Wandering its narrow passageways as the wind among earthen towers, the stacked adobe houses and thick walls reveal centuries of communal life organized around shared protection. From higher vantage points, views stretch across the valley, a reminder of the site's strategic importance.

We also visit a small museum celebrating Amazigh cultural traditions, where music, art and storytelling preserve cultural memory passed down through generations. Later, cross back over the High Atlas, descending into greener terrain and cooler air as we reach the Ourika Valley, backdropped by the snowcapped mountains beyond. A serene place of exceptional beauty, the valley is famous for its waterfalls, fruit trees and Amazigh villages that dot the hillsides.

Day 10

Toubkal National Park

Mint tea, mountains paths & a traditional hammam

- Experience the landscapes and Amazigh traditions of the High Atlas Mountains
- Learn to make traditional mint tea with leaves picked fresh from the garden
- Refresh with a traditional steam, scrub and massage in a classic hammam

Begin the morning with a simple ritual that is elemental to everyday life in the High Atlas. Accompanied by our Amazigh hosts, stroll through our small hotel's mint garden to gather fresh mint and herbs, then learn the age-old steps of Amazigh tea-making. Shared together, the sweet mint tea offers a classic start to the day.

Then choose the activity that appeals to you most: Those who wish may enjoy a hammam, a traditional bathhouse experience that originated in Morocco and Turkey. Historically, hammams served as essential community spaces for hygiene, social interaction, and pre-prayer purification, typically separated by gender. The routine includes steaming, being washed with warm water, and receiving a vigorous, sudsy body exfoliation with a coarse mitt, followed by a massage. You'll emerge exceedingly clean, refreshed and restored. Alternatively, join our Expedition Leader for a peaceful walk along mountain paths used by local shepherds, admiring views of the snowy High Atlas peaks towering over the valleys and orchards below. This evening, gather for a farewell dinner to toast new friendships and celebrate our adventures, reflecting on the many unique experiences we have shared with the Moroccan people we have met.

Day 11

High Atlas Mountains

Walk through Amazigh villages beneath Mount Toubkal

- View the snowcapped summit of 13,671-foot Mount Toubkal
- Follow footpaths past working fields, stone hamlets and mountain pastures
- Watch for Barbary sheep, golden eagles and bearded vultures on the high slopes

This morning, head south to reach Toubkal National Park, a reserve set aside to protect the tallest peaks of the Atlas Mountains, the highest range in North Africa. Chief among them is 13,671-foot Mount Toubkal, standing sentinel over the surrounding ridgelines. The park also holds important flora and fauna, including thuriferous juniper and holm oak forest, and 150 species of wildflowers endemic to the High Atlas, with 55 found only in the park. Wildlife includes golden eagles, bearded vultures and Africa's largest colony of wild Barbary sheep.

On a guided walk, follow a network of well-worn footpaths linking small farming fields, tiny villages and mountain pastures. These are working trails used to reach fields, homes and grazing areas. As the scenes unfold, collect insight into rural life in the High Atlas among the terraced slopes and stone hamlets. By midday, pause in an Amazigh village for a simple, home-cooked lunch shared with a local family. Over fresh bread and seasonal salads, enjoy conversation with our hosts as we learn about their customs and daily routines. The afternoon continues at an unhurried pace, with time to wander and observe the small details of the landscape—local birds, stone walls, cultivated fields, regional attire, and the subtle ways people and place remain intertwined.

Day 12

Marrakesh

Depart Marrakesh after crossing Morocco's deserts, oases and mountains

- Descend from the High Atlas to the plains
- Connect with onward flights from Marrakesh

After breakfast, it's time to depart the High Atlas and head back to Marrakesh, leaving the peaceful villages and bucolic scenery as we descend from the mountain valleys to the plains below. Arrive at the airport in time for onward flights, bringing our journey through Morocco's deserts, oases and mountains to a close.



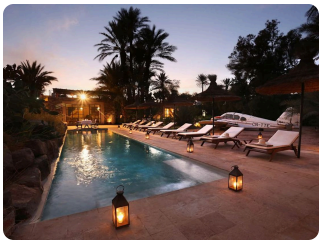
The Heart of Morocco Accommodations

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Riad Siwan

An intimate inn in Marrakesh's medina with a rooftop plunge pool, courtyard dining and interiors decorated with furniture and crafts made by local artisans.



Azalai Desert Lodge

A secluded stone lodge set in a desert garden of palms and tamarisk, with handcrafted interiors, regional cuisine, pool and a library inspired by writers drawn to solitude.



Azalai Desert Camp

A remote Sahara camp with tented canvas suites, private bathrooms, firelit dinners and wide silence, offering pared-down luxury grounded in natural materials, local food and the stark beauty of the dunes.



L'Ma Lodge

An intimate lodge surrounded by a pomegranate garden, fig and olive trees, also featuring a heated saltwater pool, Moroccan meals and hand-finished rooms reflecting the serenity of an oasis.



Kasbah Bab Ourika

This hillside retreat in the Atlas Mountains offers panoramic views, handcrafted Berber design, organic dining and a private suite that blends warmth, seclusion and mountain stillness.

For detailed descriptions, visit nathab.com/cultural-journeys/morocco-cultural-tour/accommodations.

What Makes Cultural Journeys Different?

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Unlike tours that rush from sight to sight, our Morocco cultural journey is designed to let you go deeper—into landscapes, communities, traditions and everyday rhythms that define this remarkable country. From unhurried time in oasis valleys and intimate encounters with nomadic guides to shared meals with Amazigh families in the High Atlas, we linger longer where culture is lived and understood. With thoughtfully paced experiences, expert guides and meaningful engagement with people and place, you'll experience a true sense of connection to Morocco's heritage and heart.

1. **Venture Deep into Morocco's Remote Sahara Dunes**
   Rather than the busy dunes of Merzouga, we journey into Erg Chigaga—one of Morocco's most remote and expansive desert regions. With few camps and vast open horizons, the experience here feels quieter and more elemental, guided by a lifelong desert resident along ancient caravan routes.

2. **Walk the Ancient Salt Road With Nomads**
   Follow a historic trade route on foot alongside local nomads, learning to read the desert through tracks, plants and subtle shifts in terrain. Along the way, share food and conversation—an immersion in lived knowledge passed down through generations.

3. **Small Groups Make Intimate Access Possible**
   With a maximum of just 12 guests, our small group size allows access to spaces where larger groups are neither practical nor appropriate. This scale supports unhurried encounters, meaningful conversation and hands-on participation in cultural activities with our hosts, while respecting customs and traditions in the communities we visit.

4. **Three Nights in the High Atlas for a Deeper Cultural Stay**
   Spend three nights among Amazigh mountain communities, allowing time to truly connect with the traditions, values and daily rhythms that remain foundational to Morocco's cultural identity.

5. **Share a Home-Cooked Meal With an Amazigh Family**
   After a guided hike tailored to your ability, sit down for a meal hosted in a mountain village home. This warm, personal exchange offers rare space for conversation, storytelling and insight into High Atlas life.

6. **Slow the Pace for Meaningful Connection**
   Rather than rushing through a long list of stops, linger longer in fewer regions—Skoura, the Drâa Valley and Sahara, and the High Atlas—so relationships, understanding and a genuine sense of place can unfold naturally.

7. **Try Your Hand at Traditional Pottery in Skoura**
   Meet one of Skoura's last traditional potters, watch his craft take shape, then step in to try forming clay yourself using a foot-powered wheel—an experience rooted in heritage, skill and human ingenuity.

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8 **Cook With Local Hosts in a Palm Grove Home**

Join a hands-on cooking experience in Skoura that begins with preparing ingredients and ends around the table. Alongside regional techniques, you'll share stories and the kind of everyday wisdom you can't find in a recipe.

9 **Explore Places Where Cultural Detail Remains Distinct**

Travel through regions like the Drâa Valley, Skoura and the High Atlas, where language, architecture, foodways and customs remain deeply local—and where each community offers its own expression of Morocco's cultural richness.

10 **Sustainability and Respect for Tradition**

Our Morocco trip actively support local economies, showcase traditional practices, and promote responsible travel through direct partnerships with small family-owned businesses.

11 **Insightful & Sensitive Leadership Throughout**

A Nat Hab Expedition Leader accompanies the group throughout the journey, providing cultural context, facilitating introductions, and connecting experiences across regions. Our guide's role is not to lecture but to interpret, translate and create space for observation, reflection and dialogue as our journey unfolds.

12 **Built on Nat Hab's Expertise**

Nat Hab Cultural Journeys is built on the same experiential travel philosophy, operational rigor and leadership standards that have defined Natural Habitat Adventures for decades. From small groups facilitating deep local engagement to guide selection, training and on-the-ground execution, this journey embodies a proven approach to immersive travel across diverse destinations worldwide.

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Dates & Pricing Summary:

Price
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Group Size
Limited to 12 Travelers

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2027 Departures

Departure – Return	Pricing	Notes
Mar 20 - Mar 31, 2027	**$13295**	
Apr 3 - Apr 14, 2027	**$13295**	
Apr 17 - Apr 28, 2027	**$13295**	
Oct 2 - Oct 13, 2027	**$13295**	
Oct 16 - Oct 27, 2027	**$12895**	
Oct 29 - Nov 9, 2027	**$13295**	
Nov 12 - Nov 23, 2027	**$13295**	
Nov 30 - Dec 11, 2027	**$12895**	

2028 Departures

Departure – Return	Pricing	Notes
Prices and dates not confirmed for 2028		
Mar 7 - Mar 18, 2028	**From $12895**	
Mar 21 - Apr 1, 2028	**From $12895**	
Apr 4 - Apr 15, 2028	**From $12895**	
Apr 18 - Apr 29, 2028	**From $12895**	
Oct 9 - Oct 20, 2028	**From $12895**	
Oct 30 - Nov 10, 2028	**From $12895**	
Nov 13 - Nov 24, 2028	**From $12895**	
Dec 1 - Dec 12, 2028	**From $12895**	

See https://www.nathab.com/cultural-journeys/morocco-cultural-tour/dates-fees for the latest pricing details.

Included

Accommodations, services of Nat Hab's professional Expedition Leader, local guides and lodge staff, all activities, all meals from dinner on Day 1 through breakfast on final day, some gratuities, airport transfers for those arriving by air on Day 1 and final day, all activities and entrance fees, all taxes, permits and service fees.

Not Included

Travel to and from the start and end point of your trip, most alcoholic beverages, gratuities for Expedition Leaders, passport and visa fees (if any), optional activities, items of a personal nature (phone calls, laundry, etc.), international airline baggage fees, airport and departure taxes (if any), required medical evacuation insurance, optional travel protection insurance.

Important Information About This Trip

Travel in Morocco is primarily done by road, as domestic flights can be unreliable and are not the most practical way to connect the regions included on this itinerary. Driving also allows for flexibility and meaningful stops in smaller, less touristed communities along the way—particularly through the High Atlas, the Draa Valley, and the oasis towns of the south. While a few travel days will be long and include extended road transfers, the itinerary is intentionally paced to balance these distances with multiple-night stays, helping maximize the time spent on the ground in each location once you arrive.

Getting There & Getting Home

We recommend arriving in Marrakesh the night before Day 1 so you can rest from your travels and begin the trip refreshed. Guests arriving on Day 1 must reach Marrakesh in time to meet your Expedition Leader and fellow travelers at the group hotel in time for a welcome orientation at 6 pm.

You may depart Marrakesh any time after 1 pm on the final day.

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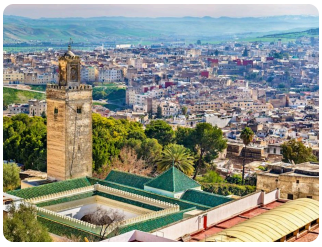
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The Heart of Morocco Extensions

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Imperial Cities of Morocco Pre-Trip Extension

Step into Morocco's imperial past before your main adventure begins, exploring the richly layered histories of Rabat, Fez, Meknes and Marrakesh, plus its modern commercial capital of Casablanca

$5695



Extra Day in Marrakesh

Arrive early in Marrakesh to wander the storied medina with your Expedition Leader, exploring ornate palaces, historic religious schools and vibrant souks—immersing yourself in the city's rhythms before your main journey unfolds.

$955

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