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22 FEB -10 MAR 2024 (18D15N) Morocco Meanderings
(Casablanca, Rabat, Chefchaouen, Fes, Tinghir, Mhamid, Er Chicaga Desert, Ouarzazate, Marrakesh, Essaouira, El Jadida)

Trip Cost per person Rm7100 (16pax group) EXCLUDE FLIGHTS

Based on 1 Moroccan Dirham = Rm 0.47171 (10Jun23). Final adjustments on trip cost is based on exchange rate at time of final collection.

Update 20 Jul 2023 We do not have min 10pax for Group Tickets. Some are flying out from Singapore and some are looking at extension. Please NOTE change in dates and flights to land in Casablanca at 730AM instead of 1235PM, giving members more time in Casablanca. QR fare as at today is a reasonable Rm5161 on QATAR ONLINW PURCHASE. Members can opt for other flights but do alert Yeow Lim 016 2093360 before buying tickets. Hotel and airport taxi can be arranged if flights do not match below timing (at own cost).

Update 10 Jun 2024 Itinerary below based on Qatar Airline. Qatar fare is Rm5196 for FIT as of 10Jun2023. We'll check for Group fares and benefit will be passed on to trip members.

IMPORTANT NOTICE. This is meant to be a "free and easy" budget trip. Participants should be relatively fit, with a good sense of humour, and above all, have the right attitude for close travel with others through possibly some trying times. Most definitely, this is not a trip for prudes, whiners, fuss-pots, and other similarly assorted types! Although every effort will be made to stick to the given itinerary, ground conditions may change and cause some disruption and/or deviation from the norm. Otherwise, have fun!

We hire a 17 seater Mercedes Sprinter with a local driver for the duration of this trip. We stay budget to mid-range accomodations except for the one night in a desert tent. Its quite important participants are able to manage their own luggage, preferably backpacks or softpacks. Large 28 inches luggage is strictly NOT ALLOWED. Yongo trips, you pay for your own meals unless stated below, entrance fees, within-the-town taxis and other optional activities.

Morocco is an amazing travel destination which will overload your sensories. The sights, scents and sounds that permeate medieval Fes and magical Marrakech, to the coastal charm in Essaouira and El Jadida. From the high of the Atlas range and its abundance of mountains, Kasbahs, and friendly Berbers, to the stunning sculpted sands of the Sahara. Morocco rewards you with the richness of its desert, the thrill of the hidden alleys in its ancient cities and its salty breeze along the Atlantic coast.



Shopping / Chigaga Dunes / Centuries old tannaries of Fes

Day 1 Meet KUL Meet up at KLIA **6:00 PM THU 22 FEB 2024** for Qatar flight KUL (2110) to DOH (2350) Transit 1h:40hr.

Day 2 Casablanca Depart DOH (0110) landing CMN (0730) Our chartered van takes group to our hotel located in downtown. Rest of day free. Overnight (O/N) Casablanca. There are NO meals included.

Day 3 Chefchaouen (340km) After breakfast, we start our journey of 5:30hr to Chefchaouen located in the Rif mountains in Northwest Morocco. 91km from Casablanca, we stop at Rabat, the capital city of Morocco, also listed in UNESCO World Heritage. We visit the Kasbah of the Udayas, a well preserved fortress dating back to 12th century Almohad Dynasty. The Hassan Tower Mosque and across it the Mausoleum of Mohammed V. After lunch, we continue journey to Chefchaouen, also known as the Blue City with its blue-washed buildings, this town of 43,000 population is becoming a popular tourist destination. O/N Chefchaouen. Breakfast included. (B)

Day 4 Chefchaouen. We spend the day wandering about the Old town. Take a walk through the old medina and uphill to a "Lookout Point" in front of a Spanish mosque. Enjoy the breathtaking view over Chefchaouen and its surrounding mountains. This place is indeed a rare and stunning gem of Morocco. O/N Chefchaouen. Breakfast included. (B)

Day 5 Fes (220km) An early start 4:30hr to Morocco 's biggest Roman ruins of Volubilis, and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It was an important Roman outpost which was founded in 3rd century as capital of Mauretania. Then to Fes 1:30hr 85km, which was founded in 9th century, and it was a capital of Marinid Dynasty In 13th and 14th century. Fes hosts world's oldest university i.e. University of Quaraouiyin". O/N Fes. Breakfast included. (B)

Day 6 Fes. We will do a half day guided walking tour of the old medina (locally known as Fes el Bali. The old city is alive with craftsmen, markets, tanneries and mosques. Lookout for Merdesa Bou Inania, one of the city's most beautiful building. Visit Medresse Al-Attarine and the splendid Funduk Nejjarine, a beautifully restored 18th century caravanserai. The rest of day free to continue your own explorations and get lost in the labyrinth of alleys in this old medina. Note Fes medina is car-free, you will be on foot throughout your stay in Fes. O/N Fes. Breakfast included. (B)



Roman Ruins Volubilis / UNESCO Ait-Ben-Haddou / Todra Gorge / Essaouira Port

Day 7 Tinghir (470km) It's a long bus ride into the High Atlas today, as we take in a 10 hours trip to Tinerhir. However, the change of scenery as we start our uphill ascend will surely keep all awake, at least some of the time. Tinerhir is a city in the region of Draa-Tafilalet, an oasis sandwich between High Atlas and Little Atlas. The beautiful palmeria or oasis along the Todra river simply takes your breath away. O/N Tinerhir. Dinner and Breakfast included. (D/B)

Day 8 Tinghir. Morocco 's answer to the Grand Canyon, Todra Gorge awaits us today. With 300m cliff walls at its narrowest point, and quaint Berber villages abounding. We will go on a long walk (4-6 hrs) over the gorge with great views of the surrounds. Be prepared to walk about 12km with elevation of 400m. O/N Tinerhir. Dinner and Breakfast included. (D/B)

Day 9 Mhamid (330km) Early departure for Mhamid 5 hours, the last village before the Algerian border and the beginnings of the Western Sahara . On the way, we stop at Tamegroute Pottery, a uniquely Moroccan green glazed

pottery. Zagora market (Wed & Sun only) is where one finds many dark-skin Moroccans of African origins. O/N Mhamid, Dinner and Breakfast included. (D/B)

Day 10 Sahara Berber Camp. We depart after lunch for a sand-bashing time with 4WD deep into the Western Sahara, to Erg Chigaga and its 150m sand dunes. In the evening, take a camel ride through the dunes around the Berber camp, where we will stay the night. We sleep in large Berber tents, but nothing like a sleeping bag on soft sands under a thousand stars! O/N Sahara Desert Tents. Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included. (L/D/B)

Day 11 Ouarzazate (260km) We return to Mhamid in the morning for shower and quick lunch. We travel over the mountain to Ouarzazate 5 to 6 hours. Ouarzazate is an oasis for film makers all over the world, known as "The Moroccan Hollywood". O/N Ouarzazate. Desert Breakfast and Mhamid Lunch included (B/L).

Day 12 Ouarzazate. We have a full day sightseeing, including Taourite Kasbah, one of the best in Morocco, Atlas Studio or Cinematic Museum. Atlas Studio has been featured in many famous movies including "Lawrence of Arabia, Gladiators, Indiana Jones" and many more. 30km outside Ouarzazate is Ait Ben Haddou, one of the most exotic and best preserved Kasbahs in Morocco, and yet another UNESCO Heritage Site! O/N Ouarzazate. There are NO meals included on this day.



Chefchaouen Blue City / Tagine in local restaurant / Jemaa el Fna Marrakesh / Essaouira

Day 13 Marrakesh (200km): We move on to Marrakesh on a beautiful high mountain pass reaching an elevation of 2260 meters at Tizi N' Tichka. O/N Marrakesh. There are NO meals included on this day.

Day 14 Marrakesh: The epicenter of Morocco tourism, Marrakesh is meanderer's heaven. We take in the city sights, smells, and sounds in a half-day guided walking tour, and end the day at the Koutoubria Mosque. The medina of Marrakesh is listed in UNESCO World Heritage. Djemaa el-Fna, a huge square in central Marrakesh showcase one of the world's greatest spectacle of food, fun, wares and everything else in a kaleidoscope of Moroccan vibrancy. O/N Marrakesh. Breakfast included. (B)

Day 15 Essaouira (180km): Bus 4 hour to UNESCO World Heritage listed Essaouira, a late 18th century Portuguese fortified seaport town. Wander about the maze-like streets filled with interesting artisan wares and enjoy the breeze and sights of this Atlantic coastal town. O/N Essaouira. Breakfast included. (B)

Day 16 El Jadida (280km): In the morning, see more of Essaouira including the stone ramparts and canon turrets. After lunch 3 hours drive to yet another UNESCO World Heritage site of El Jadida. The Portuguese fortification of Mazagan, now part of the city of El Jadida, 90-km southwest of Casablanca. O/N El Jadida. Breakfast included (B).

Day 17 Plane: Transfer to Casablanca Airport 2 hours 98km at 7.30AM and the end of our 17 days of Moroccan meanderings! Flight departs CMN **(1350) SAT 9 MAR 2024** Lands DOHA(1350) Transit 2:20hr Breakfast NOT included at El Jadida Hotel

Day 18 Home: Transit 2:20hr before flight DOH (0130) landing in KUL **(1355) SUN 10 MAR 2024.**

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Cost cover accommodation, travel and some meals to sites mentioned above and some meals stated above.
. B/L/D indicate Breakfast Lunch Dinner.
2. Accommodations will be in budget to mid-range hotels, guesthouses, Mhamid and Sahara Desert Tent (multi-share).
3. **Not covered are flight costs** estimated at Rm5200, estimates Meals Rm1200 (100 x 12 days), Entrance fees and Tips (Rm350) and optional activities.
4. Cost is subject to change based on exchange rates fluctuation.
5. Non-refundable deposit of **Rm2300** is payable to confirm your place.
6. Members are required to have Travel Insurance and be adequately insured prior to departure.

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