



# Morocco Imperial Cities & the Famous Blue City Tour

MAY 22 - June 1, 2023 - 10 Days / 09 Nights in Morocco

## Day 01 (MAY 22) DEPARTING USA TO CASABLANCA, MOROCCO

Check in at JFK International Airport to board the flight to Casablanca, Morocco.

## Day 02 (MAY 23) ARRIVAL IN CASABLANCA

Arrive into Casablanca, clear immigration and customs. Transfer to your hotel and check into hotel. As soon as you feel settled, time permitting, your driver will take you to Hassan II. This is one of the largest mosques in the world. Overnight in Casablanca. Return to your hotel after the tour. (D)

## Day 03 (MAY 24) CASABLANCA / RABAT / CHEFCHAOUEN (THE FAMOUS BLUE CITY OF MOROCCO)

After breakfast, you will depart Casablanca and travel to Chefchaouen. Along the way, you could choose to enjoy a short driving visit to Rabat, the capital city and residence of the King. You will continue the journey along the coast before heading up through the Rif mountains towards your final destination of Chefchaouen, the famous blue city of Morocco. Picture a city where almost everything is a cool shade of blue! **Overnight in Chefchaouen (B/D)**

## Day 04 (MAY 25) CHEFCHAOUEN

After breakfast, you will have a tour of this “cool” blue town, tucked away in the mountains. This town is a photographer’s heaven! Stop for delicious fresh bread and hot mint tea as you tour, hearing about the fascinating history of this town from your guide. Another option is to take a hike in the breezy mountains. Dinner will be served in a local restaurant. **Overnight in Chefchaouen (B/D)**

## Day 05 (MAY 26) CHEFCHAOUEN / VOLUBILIS / MEKNES/ FES

After breakfast, you will leave by van towards Fes. Along the journey you will enjoy exploring the 2000-year-old, ancient Roman ruins of Volubilis. You will carry on to Meknes, one of the Imperial Cities of Morocco. Your day will conclude by driving to Fes, the cultural and spiritual capital of Morocco. **Overnight in a Riad (a traditional Moroccan Home). (B/D)**

## Day 06 (MAY 27) FES

This whole day is devoted to exploring the walled-in city, or medina, of Fes. After breakfast, your tour will begin. While no cars are allowed, you’ll see donkeys in the old city, shops with piles of vibrant spices, and storehouses heaped high with hand-woven carpets in every color and design possible. You’ll visit will be the tanneries, the King’s Palace, and the potters. **Overnight in a Riad. (B/D)**

## Day 07 (MAY 28) FES / COOKING CLASS AND LECTURE

It is one thing to sample Moroccan food, but yet another to learn the secrets behind the ancient preparation and secret ingredients that make it so unforgettable. Today, head to Café Clock for an authentic cooking class, starting with scouring the market for the freshest ingredients, and ending with a tantalizing rooftop meal.

Before dinner you will enjoy hearing from a University Professor about what life is like as a Woman living in Morocco and the development of women’s right over the years. **Overnight and dinner at the riad (B/D)**

### **Day 08 (MAY 29) FES / MARRAKECH**

After an early breakfast, you will depart on a full day's drive to Marrakech. The beautiful drive will take you up into the Middle Atlas Mountains and along the base of the High Atlas Mountains. Along the route, in the Beni Mellal area, you may stop for lunch. As you continue your journey toward Marrakech, you will see firsthand some of the rural Berber life in Morocco and local farms of olives, oranges, and figs. **Overnight in Marrakech (B/D)**

### **Day 09 (MAY 30) MARRAKECH**

After breakfast, you will have a guided tour of Marrakech, the southern pearl of Morocco. This city should be on every traveler's bucket list. You will discover the Palace of the Bahia, the Saadian Tombs, and many other hidden treasures. Tour the magnificent Koutoubia Mosque and return to the famous Jemaa el-Fna. The tour will conclude with an exploration of the souk (market) of Marrakech. **Overnight in Marrakech. (B/D)**

### **Day 10 (MAY 31) MARRAKECH / EL JDIDA / CASABLANCA**

Take advantage of your free morning in Marrakech! Along the route, you will enjoy a stopover in El Jadida and visit the port & fishing town on the Atlantic Ocean with a unique ancient Portuguese Fortress and Cisterns before heading you back to Casablanca for your final night. Your evening meal will be enjoyed at a local restaurant. **Overnight in Casablanca (B/D)**

### **Day 11 (June 01) CASABLANCA / DEPART**

After breakfast, your driver will take you to the airport in good time for departure. **(B)**

### **PRICE**

Per person based on double occupancy:     \$2965.00 + AIR (\$1006)  
Single Room Supplement                         \$815.00

### **Meals 19**

Breakfasts 9 Lunch 1 Dinners 9

### **INCLUSIVE SERVICES**

- Escorted from JFK, NY to Casablanca
- 09 nights' Accommodations
- Transportation in air-conditioned coach
- Complimentary private airport transfers are included for arrival with the group
- Tours and entry fees to sites listed on the itinerary are included
- Moroccan Cooking class
- Lecture on Moroccan Women
- Pre-departure Orientation
- Personalized Souvenir Luggage Tags

### **EXCLUSIONS**

- Passport
- Round trip airfare JFK / Casablanca / JFK - \$1006
- Tips and Gratuities to the Driver & Guide, etc.
- Beverages
- Anything of a personal nature, phone calls, etc.

## **Accepting Applications**

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