



IMPERIAL CITIES 8 DAYS - 7 NIGHTS

CASABLANCA, RABAT, MEKNES, FEZ, MARRAKESH...



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DAY 1 – NEW YORK / MOROCCO: Depart for Morocco.

DAY 2 – CASABLANCA / RABAT: Upon arrival at Casablanca International Airport, you will be met and assisted. Begin with the sightseeing tour of Casablanca, the Business Capital of Morocco. Visit the exterior of the great Hassan II mosque; an optional interior tour may be offered. From the coach you will see the Medina, Mohammed V Square, the United Nations Place, the Central Market, the Habbous Sector, the residential area of Anfa and the magnificent Ain Diab Coast, dotted with swimming pools and gourmet restaurants. Proceed to Rabat, the White Imperial City, neatly laid out and covered in flowers. Your tour of the Administrative Capital begins with the Medina, teeming with life, the Kasbah of Oudayas, the Hassan Tower and the splendid Mohammed V Mausoleum. Overnight in Rabat. (D)

DAY 3 – RABAT / FEZ: Your visit this morning begins with the Roman Ruins of Volubilis, then the sacred town of Moulay Idriss Holy City where the founder of Islam in Morocco, is buried. Continue to Meknes, enclosed in a triple thickness of 40KM walls and bastions, formed of two conglomerates. On one side of the Medina is Bab el Mansour, the most beautiful preserved gate in Morocco. The sightseeing will also include a visit to Hari Souani and the old Medina. Overnight in Fez. (B, D)

DAY 4 – FEZ: The entire day will be spent visiting Fez, the most ancient of the Imperial Cities, founded in 790BC by Moulay Idriss II, becoming the religious center of Morocco. Visit the Medieval Medina the Medersas (Islamic Religious Universities), Bou Anania and Attarine, the Karouine Mosque and the famous Nejjarine Fountain. Visit a private building, which gathers different craftsmen still operating in the old Oriental tradition. You may want to buy some of their items displayed at reduced rates. Overnight in Fez. (B, D)

DAY 5 – FEZ / MARRAKESH: Depart for Marrakesh, crossing the region of the Middle Atlas, passing through Immuouzer du Kandari (a Berber Village) and the Lake D'Ait Aoua; the perfect setting for a rest. Also pass by Ifrane, a charming ski resort in the heart of a magnificent cedar forest and the important handicraft center in the village of Azrou. Stop at Beni-Mellal to enjoy a moment of relaxation and then continue to Marrakesh. Little by little, you will begin to notice the red earth of the country contrasting so well with the clear blue sky and the eternal green palms. Overnight in Marrakesh. (B, D)



IMPERIAL CITIES CONTINUED

DAY 6 – MARRAKESH: The entire day will be spent visiting Marrakesh, the second oldest Imperial City. It was founded in the 11th century by the Almoravides. Left behind in Marrakesh by the founders, are palaces, gardens and more. You'll visit the Saadiens Tombs, the Menara Gardens, the Koutoubia and the Bahia Palace. Visit the souks and the winding little streets whose décor will fascinate you. Also tour the famous Place Djemma el Fna with its nonstop entertainment. You'll find storytellers, snake charmers, fire-eaters and more. Dinner will be served at the famous "Chez Ali" Restaurant where you will savor a typical Moroccan meal under Caidal tents and enjoy their Fantasia performance including camel and horse shows, folkloric and belly dancers. Overnight in Marrakesh. (B, D)

DAY 7 – MARRAKESH / CASABLANCA: The morning is at leisure for a final plunge into the atmosphere of Marrakesh or to take some time to relax by the swimming pool. Depart for Casablanca in the afternoon. Overnight in Casablanca. (B, D)

DAY 8 – CASABLANCA: You will be transferred to Casablanca Airport for your return flight. (B)

DEPARTURE DATES & PRICES

DEPARTURE DAYS: MARCH 7, 14, 23, 28 / APRIL 4, 11, 18, 25 / MAY 2, 9, 16, 23

PRICES: LAND ONLY: \$1,460 SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$399

DEPARTURE DAYS: MAY 30 / JUNE 6, 13, 20, 27 / JULY 4, 11, 18

PRICES: LAND ONLY: \$1,275 SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$399

DEPARTURE DAYS: JULY 25

PRICES: LAND ONLY: \$1,370 SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$399

DEPARTURE DAYS: AUGUST 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

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DEPARTURE DAYS: SEPTEMBER 5, 12, 19, 26

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