From colourful Marrakech, discover the striking Ouarzazate and Todra Gorges, camp in the Saharan desert and visit the epic ancient Ait Benhaddou on this 8 day tour for families with teens aged 12 years and over.

HIGHLIGHTS AND INCLUSIONS

Trip Highlights
- Marrakech - Discover the UNESCO-listed Place Djemaa el Fna
- Bahia Palace - Visit the 19th Century palatial residence of the grand vizier Sidi Moussa
- High Atlas Mountains - Take in incredible views of Mt Toubkal, North Africa’s highest peak
- Erg Chebbi sand dunes - Spend a night under the stars and near sand dunes reaching some 250m high
- Merzouga - Discover the berber village and start point for our camel trek into the great Sahara
- Todra Gorge - Admire the towering red canyon
- Ouarzazate - Roam the city, home to Morocco's film industry
- Ait Benhaddou - Explore the UNESCO-listed fortified kasbah city

What’s Included
- Breakfast daily, 3 lunches and 6 dinners inclusive of a Berber camp dinner
- 6 nights 3 star hotels and 1 night camping at a Berber desert camp in the Sahara
- Camel trek into the mesmerising Sahara Desert
- Sightseeing and entrance fees to all included sites
- Escorted by an English speaking tour leader
- Specialist local guides at some sites
- Arrival transfer from Marrakech Airport on day 1
- All transportation and transfers in private 4x4 or mini van/touring vehicle
- All road taxes and tolls

What’s Not Included
- Tipping Kitty: USD$50pp, paid in USD or local currency
- International flights and visa
- Gratuity for your tour leader. We recommend USD$25 – 35 per adult for the entire tour. Tipping your tour guide is an entirely personal gesture

ITINERARY

Day 1: Welcome to Marrakech

Welcome to Morocco! Upon arrival at Marrakech International Airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Why not relax by the pool before the pre-departure meeting at 18.00 where you will meet your fellow travellers. **Overnight - Marrakech (D)**

Day 2: Optional tour to the film studios

After breakfast we head south to the film capital of North Africa - Ouarzazate. After a local lunch we have the chance to take an optional tour of the film studios - famous for many blockbusters including Gladiators, The Last Temptation of Christ and James Bond's - The Living Daylights! We can also opt to go quad biking and further explore the town. **Overnight - Ouarzazate (B, L, D)**
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Day 3 : Into the Sahara for our camel Trek

This morning we take a stunning drive towards Erg Chebbi. Afterwards we head to Merzouga to enjoy some free time for swimming before transferring to our camels for a trek into the Sahara. We spend the night at our traditional Berber Camp. We enjoy local food, music and an amazing night out under the Saharan stars. **Overnight - Erg Chebbi (B, L, D)**

Day 4 : Todra Gorge

After a tasty breakfast in the Sahara we climb back on board our trusty camels and head out of the Sahara. Once out of the sand we get back on the road, stopping to explore ancient irrigation wells run which have been created from an intricate network of underground canals, dating back to the 14th century they run for more than 300km all the way from the Atlas mountains to the Sahara. We arrive into Todra Gorge this afternoon, where we will enjoy lunch at our hotel. This 1000ft gorge is hemmed in on all sides by vertical limestone cliffs and is also called Morocco’s Grand Canyon.

Later this afternoon we’ll have the opportunity to explore the the gorge or even take part in some optional Rock Climbing. We’ll then continue to Tizgui, this beautiful old village in some optional Rock Climbing. We’ll then explore the gorge or even take part in some optional Rock Climbing. We’ll then continue to Tizgui, this beautiful old village in 

Day 5 : UNESCO world heritage Ait Benhaddou

Arriving at the UNESCO world heritage site of Ait Benhaddou this afternoon we enjoy lunch before taking a guided tour of the Ksar. This traditional pre saharan habitat is a maze of tightly packed houses offering defence from the outside with adding reinforcement coming from the 4 large corner towers. This evening we will enjoy dinner together, soaking in the atmosphere and enchantment of this incredible place. **Overnight - Ait Benhaddou (B, L, D)**

Day 6 : Crossing the High Atlas Mountains

This morning we traverse the towering High Atlas Mountains en route to Marrakech. Arriving into Marrakech this afternoon you can enjoy an optional guided tour of Marrakech with a local payment of 100 Dirhams per person, alternatively you can explore the city yourself or relax by the pool. Marrakech has some amazing places to explore, the winding streets and bustling souks, visiting Bahia Palace, the Jewish Quarter and the beautiful Koutoubia Mosque - the landmark of Marrakech, which towers over the ancient Medina. This evening is free for you to explore the lively hustle and bustle of Djemaa El Fna square or simply relax at the hotel. **Overnight - Marrakech (B)**

Day 7 : Optional awe-inspiring hot air balloon ride

Early this morning there is the option to start the day with an awe-inspiring hot air balloon ride. Alternatively you can have a relaxing morning before enjoying some free time to further explore Marrakech.

This evening we come together as a group for a sumptuous group meal in the exciting and exotic Djemaa El Fna square. **Overnight - Marrakech (B, D)**

Day 8 : Farewell, until your next adventure....

Our tour ends after breakfast with check out at the hotel. **(B)**

HOTELS

Highlighted below are some of the hotels which we frequently use on this tour, though we reserve the right to substitute these hotels to ones of a similar standard. **Please refer to your Tour Voucher for your confirmed arrival hotel and further arrival information.**

El Andalous Hotel & Spa

Just 10 minutes from the airport, the El Andalous Hotel and Spa offers a welcome respite from the hubub of the city. Evoking the golden age of Arab-Andalousian culture; exotic and romantically rich. Guest rooms are well furnished with excellent en suite facilities as well as private balconies. The hotel pool is great place to relax by and enjoy a tasty beverage or two. The medina is just a 20
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minute walk from here or a cab can get you there in a few minutes!

Les Jardins

A fairly new hotel in Ouarzazate, the Hotel les Jardins is in the traditional style of a Moroccan kasbah, with spacious rooms. The hotel is set in exquisitely manicured gardens, which provide guests with a much needed breath of fresh air. The experience is complete with a pool and restaurant, where visitors can while away the hours in the warm, starry evenings. The hotel is on the outskirts of Ouzarzate and has numerous restaurants and shops nearby.

Desert Camp

Camping out in the Sahara Desert is an incredible experience, enabling you to sit on top of a dune to watch the setting sun, sit around a camp fire for dinner and lie back and see the stars. No alcohol.

PRICES / DATES INFO

Departure dates noted with a ‘G’ are guaranteed to operate. All other departure dates are guaranteed with a minimum of 2 persons. Prices shown are per person when there are 2 persons sharing a room. On all of our family tours we guarantee that parents and teenager rooms will be side by side or directly adjacent. This trip is intended for families travelling with teens – bring the whole family! grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins and discover fascinating Morocco together. As long as you’re travelling with a teen aged between 12-18yrs, you’re a family in our eyes.

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