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Moroccan Christmas

Stars 24th December 2021 at 10:00 AM- End the 5th January 2022

- **Places You will Visit During Your Trip:**

- Casablanca /1 Night.
- Rabat / 1 Night.
- Meknes and Volubilis
- Fes 3 Nights.
- Merzouga. 2 Nights.
- Dades Valley. 1 Night.
- Marrakech / 2 Nights.
- Essaouira/ 2 Nights.

Day 1 /24th Dec : Casablanca -- Rabat : 2 to 3 Hours Drive.

After Your arrival in Casablanca either one day or two days before the trip, you can please enjoy your time relaxing as we might share a list of things to do and see there before our group ready, as if you come a day or two days before we can take you on a trip to Chefchaouen the Blue town as it's not included in our trip, as if you land in Morocco that day of the tour starting please at 10:00 am we will meet you at the Hotel Club Val D'anfa, same with all others who will be there for the the tour.

Our team will escort you from there and Start our journey opening Your eyes in the Economical Capital of Morocco, Casablanca which is considered the Biggest city in the country within a big Population to make it grown fast, as Casablanca's must seen Cultural sites " Hassan II Msoque, Rick's Café, and Cornish Air Diab, afterward; we will drive towards Fes via the official capital " Rabat" One of Morocco's Imperial cities, and crowded as well, mostly administrative city, but has some of the very unique historical sites to see and discover as well, like Hassan tower, the Mosuluem and The Kasbah Des Oudayas. Overnight at Riad Kalaa / Or Similar. Bed and Breakfast.

Day 2/ 25th Dec : Rabat Meknes Volubilis Fes: 4 Hours drive.

After breakfast in the hotel, we will Travel to Fes via Meknes and Volubilis. In Meknes ,the ismaili capital of Morocco, you will see the fascinating gate Bab Mansour built by the sultan My Ismail, the granary and the Sahrij Souani used for irrigation and plantation. In Volubilis, the well preserved Roman empire dating to 225BC, you will see some mosaics that are still in very good shap and then continue to Fes via the countryside and the foothills of the rif Mountains . Overnight accommodation a Riad Fes Authentic Palace / Or Similar.

As Here Tonight we will have our Christmas Dinner at The Riad to enjoy our Moroccan Welcome Dinner too, and get introduced to Our Moroccan Fes Traditions and Local Cuisine.

Day 3-4/ 26th-27th Dec : Exploring Fes, Monuments and Market with Medina Exploring sites.

After breakfast in your riad , you will start an explorative journey of the cultural capital of Morocco, walking in its alleys and small streets. Our visit starts by the Royal Palace, the Jewish headquarter, the first Mellah ever built in Morocco. We will ensure that you visit all sites with cultural and historical interest including the famous Al Qaraouine University, the oldest in the region, The Museums and the Tanneries. After lunch, you will visit the ceramique factory and have a panoramique view over the whole Medina of Fes. In the afternoon, we will visit the new city for a drink. Overnight accommodation at Riad Fes Authentic palace/ Or Similar. BB

Day 5/ 28th Dec: Fes Ifran Azrou Errachidia Merzouga: 7 hours drive.

After breakfast in your riad, you'll leave Fes travelling towards Ifran, referred to as "the Switzerland of Morocco" and then to Merzouga via Azrou and the Ziz Valley. During this journey you'll experience glimpses of the Middle Atlas and Higher Atlas mountains. Stopping at Azrou, a Berber village in the middle of the famous cedar forest - the largest in Morocco – where you may well sight Barbary apes. You'll notice how the scenery changes to reveal hints of the desert as you approach the city of Errachidia. Your journey continues to Merzouga via the Tizi Ntalghamt pass and along the luxuriant Ziz Valley , stopping for panoramic views along the way. Arrive to Merzouga at the end of the afternoon. You'll be welcomed with a glass of mint tea before you check in to Hotel Apartment L'expert. DBB” Dinner, bed and Breakfast”.

Day 6/29th Dec : Merzouga area and the Camel trek:

After breakfast in the riad you will start an explorative journey of the area. You'll visit the Gnawa people, originally slaves brought from Sudan, to experience their music and lifestyle. Not far away there's the lake of Merzouga, with its bird populations. You may also visit the nomad wire house where many Berber handicrafts are priced lower than in the big cities. In the afternoon you will mount your camel, guided by an experienced camel man to explore within

the sand sea of Merzouga. Enjoy a wonderful sunset over the golden dunes and Overnight at Our Luxury Desert Camp in an Isolated Sand Dunes away from the Villages, to live the Most amazing Experience with a very unique Taste, for a Real Desert with a breathtaking dunes. Overnight stay at Bouchedor luxury Camp. Dinner, bed and Breakfast.

Day 7/30th Dec : Merzouga - Todra Gorges - Dades Gorges : 5 hours drive.

If you like, early in the morning, we will wake you up to watch what will be the best sunrise of your life. Afterwards, you'll peacefully camel-trek back to the village of Merzouga. Enroute you couldn't fail to appreciate the unique beauty of the spectacular Erg Chebbi sand dunes - changing with the light as the day progresses. After breakfast in the riad, you'll leave for Rissani, Tinghir, and Todra gorges - the highest, narrowest gorges in Morocco. After lunch in the heart of the gorge we'll drive through the Dades Valley, where you'll see the majestic sand castles and the amazing rock formations known as "monkey toes", drive through the Dades Valley towards Kalaa M'gouna and Marrakech. The route through Dades Valley where you will stay Overnight at Xaluca Dades Hotel. Dinner, bed and breakfast.

Day 8/31st Dec : Dades Valley- Ouarzazate- Ait Ben Haddou - Marrakech: 5-6 hours drive.

After breakfast will be on our way of the thousand kasbahs – providing numerous opportunities to take some of your best photographic shots of the trip. We'll stop at Kalaa Mgouna, "the rose city", to purchase the rosewater, which will make your linen smell good a long time after your trip is over. Then to see of the 17th Century Kasbah still standing in this Oases as it's a great symbol and sign for the region "Famous Kasbah of Amredil", Continue through Skoura and the birds valley; visit the Kasbah Ameridil, a well-preserved kasbah in this area. After some hiking in the valley stop in a restaurant, overlooking the whole valley, for lunch. On to Ouarzazate, "the Hollywood of Africa", whose geography and beautiful landscapes has attracted many world class movie producers. Here you may choose to visit the studios, containing props used in movies, you may have already seen, such as The

Mummy, Gladiator and the Last temptation of Christ. Before heading to Marrakech, we will go Through the famous Ait Ben Haddou Kasbah and the Tizi Ntichka Pass over the high Atlas Mountains. Your first stop will be at Ait Ben Haddou Kasbah, the largest Kasbah in Morocco. It was built by Et Hami El Glaoui, one of the last Berber chieftains during the 18th century, now a house of many Glaoui people. Your journey will continue through the majestic Tizi n'tichka Pass (2260m) over the High Atlas Mountains, before arriving in Marrakech. Stay overnight at Riad BB or similar »

Tonight of the New Year's Eve we will have Dinner together at the Riad Again as Celebrate that Night enjoying Marrakech tasty Cuisine and it's Colorful Dishes and Tastes.

Day 09/1st Jan : Exploring Marrakech:

After breakfast in the riad , you can start exploring Marrakech " the red city of Morocco". Your guide will ensure that you see the most important places of historical and cultural interest, including the Saadien tombs; the Palaces of El Bahia and El Badi; and the Ben Youssef Coranique School. Lunch at a restaurant near the square, then in the afternoon visit the gardens at Majorelle; Menara and the Koutoubia tower. After dinner you will have the opportunity to walk around the 'Square Jemaa El Fna' full with magicians, story tellers, snake charmers and food sellers. Overnight accommodation . will be same as First night. BB

Day 10/2nd Jan : Marrakech--Essaouira : 3 Hours drive.

After breakfast at the Riad, we will Travel to Essaouira a more laidback town on the Coast, After several stops for pictures , and since this is the land of Argan culture - this is an opportunity to visit the women's co-operative of Argan oil where they extract the oil that is famous for its culinary, cosmetic and medical properties. In Essaouira ,ou'll visit the Skala Fortress, the port, the souks and see Thuya wood carved by artisans; walk through the alleys of the medina and view hundreds of handicrafts.

before arriving at your accommodation in Essaouira. Overnight accommodation at Riad Mimouna. BB

Day 11/3rd Jan : Exploring Essaouira:

After Breakfast at your riad, then start exploring the city. You'll visit the Skala Fortress, the port, the souks and see Thuya wood carved by artisans; walk through the alleys of the medina and view hundreds of handicrafts.

Essaouira is known for its strong winds most of the year so it is known as the "City of the wind" thus it attracts surfers from all over the world.

Essaouira knew many civilisations - including the Portuguese occupation, which affects much of its architecture - however, it remains a small village with much history. Because of its size and its characteristic blue doors and washed walls, it is also regarded as Morocco's "Jewel of the Atlantics. Your visit includes the Mellah - the Jewish headquarter, and the beach. There is an annual festival of "Gnawa music", where many musical groups come from different parts of Africa and the world. Overnight at Riad Mimouna. BB

Day 12/4th Jan : Essaouira Casablanca By Coast: 6 Hours drive.

After breakfast at the riad in Essaouira, we will drive you via the Very beautiful coast passing by the City of Safi, El Oualidia, as we can stop for you to learn about this ceramic town, passing by the pottery handcraftsmen as you can have a chance to buy it from a local or even learn how to do some stages with this professional handicraftsmen, afterwards our next stop would be El Oualidia, where you can have lunch then take the motorway to reach Casablanca and overnight at Hotel Club val D'anfa or similar. BB.

Day 13/5th Jan : Casablanca—Departure:

After a Luxury breakfast at your accommodation we will drive you to the air-port where the tour ends depends on your flight's departure.

The cost is Euros 1880/person. Based on twin shared room.

Single Supplement: 1070 Euros.

*** The cost includes:**

- Land Transportation and Transfers, with an experienced skilled Driver, along with a fluent English speaking Guide Throughout the Trip.
- All accommodations as illustrated above.
- The city guides and the entrees fee in Fes , Marrakech and Essaouira.
- The camel trek and the overnight and Dinner at the Luxury desert camp.

*** Offers:**

- Christmas Dinner at The Riad in Fes.
- Berber Pizza Lunch in the Desert.
- New Year's Eve Dinner in Marrakech.

***it does not include:**

- Lunches, Drinks.
- Dinners in Rabat, Fes, Marrakech, Essaouira and Casablanca.
- Tips .
- Travel Insurance which is required in Case of Emergency.
- Your personal Purchase either Souvenirs, or any extra personal expenses.
- Airfares to and from Morocco, Extra Excursions or activities other than what's illustrated above.

- **Payment Terms:** 500 Euros Deposit during your Booking, for the remaining to be paid one Month before the Trip Begins. Non-refundable but Transferable in case of postponement.

