

The Imperial cities (From Marrakech)

Key points :

- 📍 Imperial cities (Marrakech, Rabat-Salé, Fez, Meknes)
- 📍 Volubilis ruins
- 📍 Hassan II Mosque in Casablanca

Day 1 : Marrakech

Arrival in the Red City. We take you to your hotel.

Day 2 : Marrakech

We visit the medina of the Red city, former Almoravids' capital : Koranic school (medersa) Ben Youssef, Palace of the Bahia, Saadian tombs, ... and of course Jemaa El Fna square, listed on intangible World Culture Heritage (Unesco), where you can admire the Koutoubia, one of the most beautiful minarets in North Africa, and visit the gardens at its feet. Outside of the medina, we also visit the Majorelle Gardens

Day 3 : Marrakech - Fez

We pass by Beni-Mellal and Aïn-Asserdoune sources, and then the cedar forests of the Middle Atlas, with their numerous Berber Apes, on a road with wonderful view points over the valleys.

Day 4 : Fez

We visit the medina of Fez, the oldest of all imperial cities. Founded in 789, it grew in 818, welcoming the Muslims chased out of Cordova, and continued growing in concentric circles till the XVII° century, when the Alawites abandoned Fez for Meknes. Listed as a World Heritage, Fez medina has some of the most beautiful Muslim monuments, like Karouiyine Mosque, Koranic schools (medersa) Bou-Inania and El-Attarine, zawiyas Moulay Idriss, and the foundouk (hotel) El-Najjarine, now a museum. You can also visit the tanneries. We go back to Meknes, where we sleep.

Day 5 : Meknes

In the morning, we visit of the Roman ruins of Volubilis. The city was formerly the capital of Tingitania Mauritania (Western Africa), and remains a monumental Triumph Arch, facing the Plain of Rarb, and many mosaics. In the afternoon, visit of the medina of Meknes, which fortified walls have the largest doors in Morocco. Inside, we see the splendid Moulay Idriss Mausoleum, the House of Water (Dar-el-Ma), the former granaries of Moulay Ismail (Heri es-Souani) and the large Agdal water pool.

Day 6 : Meknes - Rabat

Visit of the Kasbah des Oudayas, its white and blue houses, its small narrow streets, and the monumental doors of the medina, its museum and the Andalusian garden, Mohammed V Mausoleum, Hassan Tower, and Chellah necropolis.

Day 7 : Rabat – Marrakech

Before going southwards to Marrakech, we go to Casablanca in order to see Hassan II Mosque, the biggest in the world after Mecca's one. Built facing and over the sea (two thirds of the 9ha site have been taken from the sea), its 210 metres high minaret can be seen nearly anywhere in Casablanca. It was made thanks to the know-how of the best craftsmen in Morocco.

We then leave for Marrakech, where we arrive before dinner.

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Day 8 : Departure

We transfer you to your airport or another place when you stay in Morocco (in that case, possible extra costs, please ask us).

8 DAYS

Dates : All year

Price : 600 euros per person (for a group
of 4-6 people)

Accommodation : Hotel



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