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Colors of Morocco

with Optional 4-Night Northern Morocco: Chefchaouen & Tangier Pre Tour Extension

January 14 – 28, 2027

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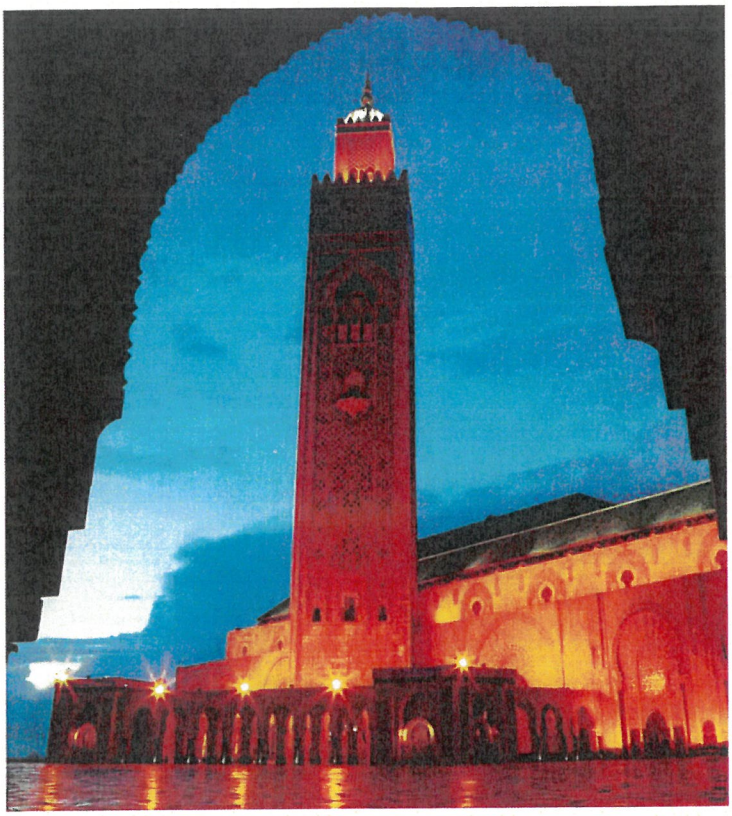


Small Group Travel rewards travelers with new perspectives. With just 12-24 passengers, these are the personal adventures that today's cultural explorers dream of.

15 Days • 27 Meals: 13 Breakfasts, 6 Lunches, 8 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Rabat, Fes, Sahara Desert Luxury Tented Camp, Camel Ride, Khamlia Music Village, Ksar of Ait-Ben-Haddou, High Atlas Mountains, Marrakech, Cooking Class, Casablanca, Hassan II Mosque

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Flower Town Hotel & Spa, Rabat
Days 4 – 6	Safae Riad Fes, Fes
Day 7	Kasbah Xaluca Erfoud Hotel , Erfoud
Days 8, 9	Relaxing Desert Camp, Merzouga
Day 10	Hotel Xaluca Dades, Boumalne du Dades
Days 11 – 13	2Ciels Boutique Hotel & Spa , Marrakesh
Day 14	Barcelo Anfa Casablanca , Casablanca

On some dates *alternate hotels may be used.*

Day 1: Thursday, January 14, 2027 Overnight Flight On a captivating adventure through a land of centuries-old culture and customs, discover the "Land of Sunset" and "Gateway to Africa" – the country called Morocco.

Day 2: Friday, January 15, 2027 Casablanca, Morocco - Rabat Welcome to Morocco! After you land in Casablanca you'll transfer to Rabat, which is approximately an hour and a half journey. With no scheduled sightseeing today, spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Depending on your arrival flights, you may join your local Tour Manager on a vicinity walk to get acquainted with the area around your hotel in Rabat and join in a first toast to the tour.

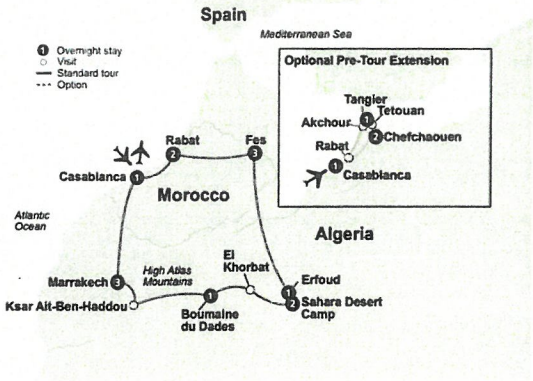
Day 3: Saturday, January 16, 2027 Rabat Come to know Rabat on an in-depth tour* with a local guide who'll share his knowledge of this city and its architectural gems. Visit the Chellah, a walled town containing both Roman ruins and a medieval necropolis. Explore the mausoleum of Mohammed V, the epitome of modern Moroccan design. The mausoleum's ornate woodwork, marble, and bronze ornamentations make this a tomb truly fit for a king. See the Kasbah de Oudaias and its whitewashed buildings. Enjoy free time to explore on your own in the afternoon. At the end of your day, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant.** *(B, D)*

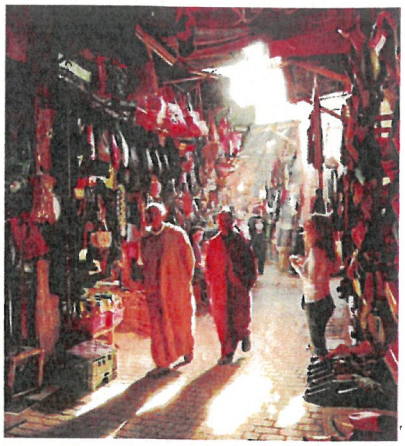
Day 4: Sunday, January 17, 2027 Rabat - Fes Depart Rabat for Fes this morning. On your way to Fes, make a stop at a winery estate for a tour and a delightful, paired lunch. Enjoy a guided tour through the vineyard and cellar, where you'll take in the vines' stunning views and gain insight into customs involving wine in a Muslim country. Then continue on to Fes, where you'll spend the next three nights at a *riad*. *(B, L)*

Day 5: Monday, January 18, 2027 Fes Get ready to discover Fes, one of the holiest cities in the world. Learn about its history as a center of government, philosophy, medicine, and religion. Visit the Al-Qarawiyyin University (UNESCO), the oldest continuously operating university in the world, admiring its high arches and Andalusian influences. Take a deep breath before getting a closer look into an ancient tannery. Some Fes tanneries date back to the 11th century and continue to operate using traditional methods, offering a unique glimpse into the ancient craft of leather-making. On a walking tour of the ninth-century medina, explore the alleyways and stalls of this ancient market. *(B, D)*

Day 6: Tuesday, January 19, 2027 Fes Enjoy your day at leisure in Fes. Explore the city further, strolling through marketplaces or maybe visiting a museum, like the Nejjarine Museum of Wooden Arts & Crafts, where you can admire displays of fine woodwork and artifacts inside a restored caravanserai. Perhaps you'll join an optional tour to the archaeological site of Volubilis, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with its impressive and well-preserved Roman ruins, to then venture to one of Morocco's more remote and unique villages, where tourists rarely tread. Here, you'll be warmly welcomed by the locals and treated to an authentic local lunch. *(B)*

Day 7: Wednesday, January 20, 2027 Fes - Erfoud Cross some of Morocco's most breathtaking desert landscapes on the way to the Sahara. En route, pause to bask in majestic views of the Middle Atlas Mountains. Arrive in Erfoud, called the "Door to the Desert," and where many famous movies were filmed, including *The Prince of Persia* and *The Mummy*. *(B, L, D)*





Per Person Rates*:

Double $5,599; Single $6,599; Triple $5,499

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Los Angeles Intl Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers
Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of $699 per person

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- * Elite Air pricing (Premium Economy, Business Class or First class) is valid until 8 months prior to departure, after which rates are subject to change and will be quoted based upon availability.

† Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

* *All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change*

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is guaranteed once deposit is received and booking confirmed by Collette. Your price is not subject to increase after the deposit is received and booking confirmed, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. (See registration form for consent.)

Day 8: Thursday, January 21, 2027 Erfoud - Sahara Desert Today, enjoy some free time in Erfoud, a fascinating oasis town known as the "Gateway to the Sahara." You may want to relax at your hotel or take this chance to explore more of Erfoud. Consider visiting the ancient fortified village, Ksar Maadid, admiring the Royal Palace, strolling through the souk, or relaxing at a local café with some mint tea. In the afternoon, make your way into the Sahara in a Jeep 4x4 for a two-night stay under the stars in a luxury tented camp in the desert. On the way, make a stop at a date farm to explore the significance of an oasis. Learn about the traditional methods of irrigating the fields, passed down through generations. Discover how these ancestral techniques have sustained agriculture in arid regions for centuries. *(B, D)*

Day 9: Friday, January 22, 2027 Sahara Desert Rise early to watch the sun illuminate the Sahara in stunning hues of orange, yellow, and red. This morning you'll have the opportunity to ride through the dunes on the back of a camel. Continue your day by traveling to the village of Khamlia. Meet with locals for an eye-opening and meaningful discussion before experiencing traditional sub-Saharan *Gnawa* music. Return to your camp as the sun sets over the desert. This evening, sit with your Tour Manager and learn more about the importance of Islam in Morocco through the centuries and its impact on today's day-to-day life in sub-Saharan Africa. *(B, L, D)*

Day 10: Saturday, January 23, 2027 Sahara Desert - El Khorbate - Boumalne du Dades Return to the edge of the desert this morning and marvel as the sun illuminates the sweeping sands. Visit the fortified village of El Khorbat. Dating back to the 17th century, this village showcases Jewish and Muslim architecture and artifacts. Learn more about Berber culture while visiting the museum within the village. Enjoy a simple lunch at a local restaurant. This **Impact Moment** supports a business whose profits are used to conserve the cultural heritage and improve the living conditions of this small community. Later, arrive in Boumalne du Dades, where a golden sun lights up the gorge's river valleys, palmeraies, and burnished mud-brick homes. *(B, L, D)*

Day 11: Sunday, January 24, 2027 Boumalne du Dades - Ksar Ait-Ben-Haddou - Marrakech Follow the rugged "Road of a Thousand Kasbahs," where turreted fortresses rise up like sandcastles along this ancient trading route. Arrive at the UNESCO site of the Ksar of Ait-Ben-Haddou and discover the earthen buildings, defensive walls, and corner towers that make the Ksar a striking feat of Moroccan architecture. Before you reach the exotic city of Marrakech, enjoy a homemade meal, then continue along the Tizi n'Tichka Pass in the High Atlas Mountains, a scenic route through lush oasis valleys, imposing mountains, and Berber villages. *(B, L)*

Day 12: Monday, January 25, 2027 Marrakech This morning, **it's your choice!** Explore the Bahia Palace with its stunning architecture and gardens on a locally guided tour **-OR-** visit the Moroccan Culinary Arts Museum to discover the fusion of Arab, Amazigh, Mediterranean, and French influences in Moroccan cuisine. Then, wander through the vibrant streets of Marrakech and the Medina, and you may want to take a moment to delve into the world of spices and their enchanting uses or enjoy some free time for exploring the intricate alleyways, a perfect opportunity for shopping and savoring the local flavors at your own pace. This afternoon, visit the enchanting Jardin Majorelle, an iconic site beautifully showcases Morocco's rich cultural heritage. *(B, D)*

Day 13: Tuesday, January 26, 2027 Marrakech Visit a women's training center during today's **Impact Moment**. With your visit, support a program that empowers women seeking social and financial stability through culinary training. Enjoy an interactive cooking class, gathering fresh herbs and vegetables from the

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garden and learning the secrets to making *tagine*, while also getting to know the stories of the chef trainees and the stigmas they face around women's roles in society and the workplace. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure. This evening, perhaps you'll join an optional horse-drawn carriage ride through Marrakech, followed by dinner at a local restaurant. *(B, L)*

Day 14: Wednesday, January 27, 2027 Marrakech - Casablanca Depart Marrakech for Casablanca this morning. Upon arrival in Casablanca, visit the largest functioning mosque in Africa, the Hassan II Mosque. Learn about the history and the significance of this mosque on a privately led tour. Gaze upon the intricate, colorful artistry of the ceramic tile and hand-carved stone of this architectural wonder. Then say goodbye to your Tour Manager and fellow travelers during a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. *(B, D)*

Day 15: Thursday, January 28, 2027 Casablanca - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close this morning. *(B)*

Important Tour Information:

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal. A moderately paced two-and-a-half-hour walking tour, covering several miles, hills, and uneven surfaces, is no problem for you. Walking four miles over the course of a day is very doable, as is climbing into and out of various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.). You can climb three flights of stairs easily and handle altitudes between 6,000 and 9,000 feet. Expect some longer days with early mornings or late nights balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. This level is not a fit for travelers who require mobility assistance devices.

Travel with an average of 18 people (maximum of 24).

If you require a walker or wheelchair, or have difficulty walking, you may not be able to access some of the areas on this tour and may want to consider an alternate tour with us. Our Client Care Agents can provide additional information or assistance to help you determine the perfect trip for you.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

From mid-June to mid-September, temperatures can easily reach 95 degrees.

*The Rabat city tour can change due to royal or government official business.

Days of features are interchangeable.

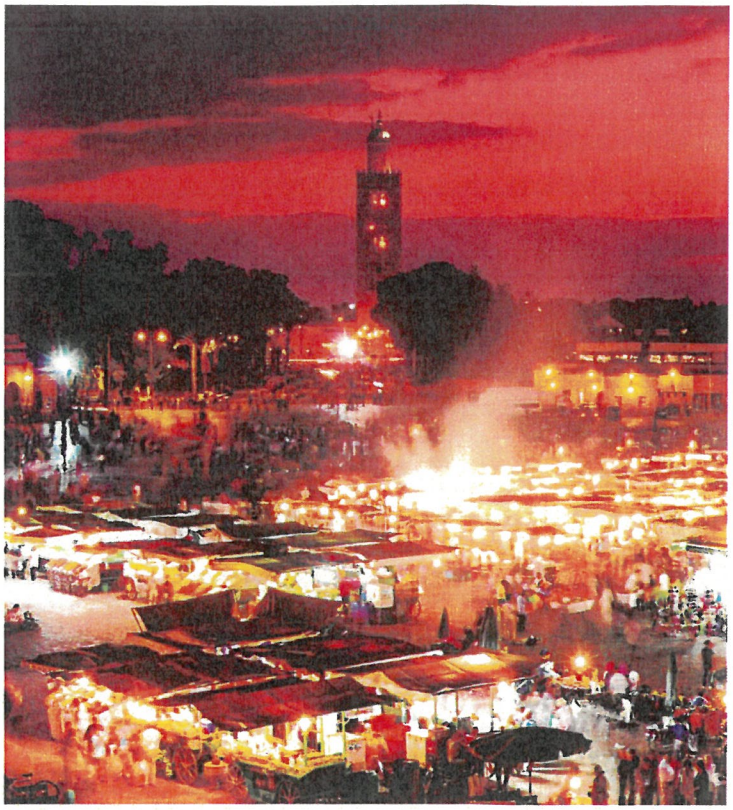
Museum visits and shopping may be affected by observance of religious or local holidays such as Ramadan and Eid. If traveling during the month of Ramadan, please note that the order of some features will vary and that some meal experiences may be replaced with meals in the hotel instead of local restaurants/venues. Some shops on the street may also be closed. Traveling during Ramadan also offers a unique chance to immerse yourself in local culture, witness spiritual traditions, bond with communities during iftars, explore diverse cuisine, enjoy quiet serenity, and experience hospitality and generosity from locals. Ramadan observances are from February 7-March 8, 2027. Eid al-Fitr will take place March 9-11, 2027.

**Some local restaurants in Morocco typically don't serve alcohol due to cultural practices.

The fully equipped Berber-style tents offer beds, linens, pillows, a flush toilet, running water, shower, and solar lighting to make for an authentic yet enjoyable stay in the desert.

Due to luggage size and weight restrictions, please bring an overnight bag for the two-night stay in the Sahara. Your main luggage will be stored during this stay.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.



For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Please be advised, many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Prepaid tipping is not available on our tours therefore payment of customary end-of-trip gratuities for your Tour Manager, driver, local guides, hotel housekeepers, and cruise ship waitstaff should be handled individually when applicable during the course of your tour.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

Travel Requirements:

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.
IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Collette will provide all necessary information, updates and supporting documents for your travel requirements, including visa and Electronic Travel Authorizations (ETAs) (if required), approximately 60-90 days prior to your departure.

A deposit of $698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the seat reduction date of June 08, 2026 are based upon availability. Final payment due by October 16, 2026. Deposits are refundable up until June 15, 2026.

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