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DAY ONE CASABLANCA

- → Upon arrival at Casablanca airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel for check-in and lunch.
- → HASSAN II MOSQUE Afternoon guided tour of the third largest mosque in the world. Its minaret has a height of 210 meters (690 ft). Considered as the most ambitious structure ever constructed in Morocco, the Hassan II Mosque rises above the Atlantic Ocean and dominates much of the city's skyline.
- → Overnight Casablanca

DAY TWO CASABLANCA - RABAT - FES

- → Travel to **RABAT** (1 hour drive), the capital of Morocco and a cultural hub of art galleries, museums, and theatres.
- → Visit HASSAN TOWER, the MAUSOLEUM OF MOHAMMED V and the ANDALUSIAN GARDENS.
- → **OUDAIAS KASBAH** This 12th century Kabash was built for defensive purposes; beautiful and made up of the Old Town and Medinas of Rabat. It is full of blue and white buildings, shops, and gardens
- → **CHELLAH** A fortified Muslim necropolis with a mosque, minaret and royal tombs dating back to the 14th century.
- → ROYAL PALACE OF RABAT Where you can walk the palace grounds and take a photo of the palace from a distance.

 Take lunch in Rabat and continue to Fes (2 hour drive), for the night.



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DAY THREE FES

- → **FES** A 1,200-year-old city. Visit sites where very little has changed since the city was first established. Explore the labyrinth of narrow streets and main thoroughfares lined with fresh fruit, mounds of spices, intricately woven Berber carpets and many other Moroccan artisanal items.
- → KING'S PALACE Renowned as the best-preserved ruins in Northern Africa, the archaeological site offers a unique glimpse into ancient Morocco. You will also visit tanneries, and experience more of Fes's ambience. We encourage you to stop for lunch in the Fes Medina. After lunch, you will complete the tour and return to your hotel for the evening. Dinner will be in a local restaurant.



DAY FOUR FES - SAHARA



- → Set out on your excursion across the **MIDDLE ATLAS MOUNTAINS** (6.5 hour scenic drive). Most of the day will be spent making your way through the beautiful forests, jagged rock faces, arid landscapes, and Berber villages as you cross the mountains and begin your descent towards the Sahara Desert.
- → At **ERFOUD**, you will set out by 4-wheel drive through the arid landscape, encountering majestic sand dunes across the Sahara until you reach your tented camp. In the late afternoon take a camel trek (1 hour) and experience a magical desert sunset.



→ Luxury Camp options



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DAY FIVE SAHARA - OURZAZATE

→ Wake up to the grand dunes and enjoy a delicious breakfast including many local flavours. Your 4X4 driver will take you back to **Erfoud** to reunite with your tour driver. From Erfoud, it's off to the picturesque **TODRA GORGES** (2 hour drive) and if time allows, you can take a short walk into the stunning gorge. From Todra, continue through to **Ouarzazate** (2 hour drive), nicknamed the door of the desert, a city and the capital of Ouarzazate Province. Spend the night there. Dinner will be at the hotel.

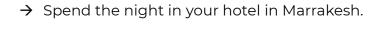


DAY SIX MARRAKESH

→ An early breakfast, the group will depart for MARRAKESH. The first stop along the way will be at the KASBAH AIT BEN HADDOU where films such as 'Gladiator' and 'Lawrence of Arabia' were filmed. The ksar, are a group of earthen buildings surrounded by high walls; a traditional pre-Saharan habitat. The houses crowd together within the defensive walls. It is the best-preserved kasbah complex and the best example of its type in Morocco. You will then drive to Megzouga (5 hours), a beautiful spot in the Sahara Desert.



→ The spectacular drive to Marrakesh will take you up and through the **HIGH ATLAS MOUNTAINS** which separate the Sahara Desert from the Mediterranean Sea and the Atlantic Ocean.







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DAY SEVEN MARRAKESH

- → After breakfast, you will have a guided tour of Marrakesh. Some of the sights include:
- → **THE PALACE OF BAHIA** A 19th century building, consisting of rooms decorated with stunning stuccos, paintings, mosaics, and a set of gardens.



- → **SAADIAN TOMBS** Are the only remains of the Saadian dynasty, founders of Marrakech, the resting place of over 60 members of the Saadi family, plus dozens of other bodies.
- → **KOUTOUBIA MOSQUE** The largest mosque in Marrakesh is an iconic landmark. Built in the 12th century, it is one of the oldest and most impressive mosques in the country. Its grandeur and beauty have made it a popular tourist destination.



- → **DJEMA EL-FNA** A square and marketplace in Marrakesh's medina quarter (old city). It remains the main square of Marrakesh, used by both locals and tourists.
- → The tour will conclude with a stop by a souk (market) lined with fresh fruit, mounds of spices, intricately woven Berber carpets and many other treasures. Dinner will be in a local restaurant.



DAY EIGHT MARRAKESH - MADRID

→ After breakfast, transfer to airport for flight to Madrid by IB 3621 at 11:55 am. Arrive 15:00 pm. Rest and stay overnight in Madrid



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DAY NINE MADRID

- → Enjoy a full day of guided tours in Madrid city. Among its other attractions, Madrid is full of communal squares, where friends and family gather to meet, stroll, and have food or drinks *al fresco*-style.
- → You will visit plazas including the Plaza de Oriente, Plaza de España, Parque del Oeste, Príncipe Pío, el Puente del Rey, la Ermita de la Virgen del Puerto, ending at Segovia's Bridge, one of the best viewpoints of the Royal Palace and the Cathedral of Almudena.
- → Continue to Puerta de Toledo, Plaza de la Villa, Plaza Mayor, Puerta del Sol, Las Cortes, Plaza de Neptuno, Atocha, Paseo del Prado, Puerta de Alcalá, Alcalá street, the Retiro's Park and Las Ventas Bullring.
- → We will return to the city centre through Plaza de Colón. new Madrid, with its modern buildings, gardens, the great avenue Paseo de la Castellana, until Plaza de Castilla (Europe's Gate) Plaza de Cibeles, Gran Via and Plaza del Callao, and Plaza de Isabel II.







→ Drive to **TOLEDO** (1 hour drive), a city full of history where several cultures converged. The most outstanding buildings in the city are the Cathedral, the church of Santo Tome, famous for housing a painting by El Greco: *The burial of Count Orgaz*. Remains of the Jewish community are still preserved in the city in the synagogues of Santa Maria la Blanca and El Transito since medieval times. Some of these monuments were designated World Heritage Sites. A stay in Toledo is not complete without a visit to the craft shops with damascene handicrafts, Toledo's ancient, unique way of engraving gold.

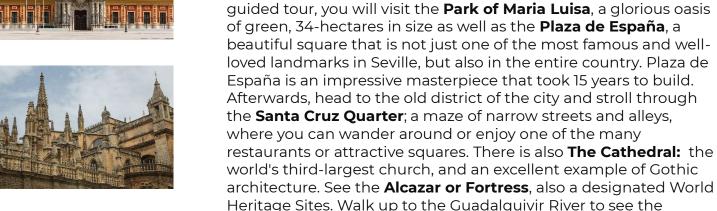




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DAY ELEVEN TOLFDO - SFVILLF



Golden Tower and the Maestranza.



DAY TWELVE SEVILLE - MALAGA



→ Driving along the White Villages Route you will arrive in **RONDA.** Built astride a huge gash in the mountains carved out by the Río Guadalevín, Ronda is a brawny town with a dramatic history littered with outlaws, bandits, guerrilla warriors and rebels. Its spectacular location atop **El Tajo gorge** and its status as the largest of Andalucía's white towns have made it hugely popular. The ravine divides the city in two: the old and the modern part. The best bird's eye view is from the **New Bridge**. The Old Part has narrow and picturesque streets with typical ironwork balconies. You can also visit Collegiate Church.

→ Depart for **SEVILLE**, originally founded as a Roman city and now home to three UNESCO World Heritage Sites This city is the capital, largest and most emblematic of Andalusia. On your



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DAY THIRTEEN MALAGA - GIBRALTAR - COSTA DEL SOL

→ Driving south Costa del Sol, you will arrive to La Linea de la Concepción, which is the gate to the British enclave of GIBRALTAR. Take "The Rock Tour" that would give you a better view of the famous Rock. The visit takes about one hour and a half in which you will see the American War Memorial, the Royal Navy Headquarters and Trafalgar Cemetery as well as the **Trinity Lighthouse**. You will then go on to the Upper Rock Area, visiting St. Michael's Cave and perhaps encounter the infamous "Rock Apes", where Barbary Tail-less monkeys are roaming free. Passengers taking this excursion will also see from outside the Moorish Castle and will travel by the Cable Car to the very top of the Rock, where you can enjoy a breathtaking view. The tour ends at the Base Station of the Cable Car, which is approximately 200 metres away from the Main Street Shopping Centre. Depart from Gibraltar. On the way back, the group will have the opportunity to visit Marbella, a playground for the rich and famous, rich and infamous and the not-so-famous but rich. Overnight Costa del Sol (half an hour drive).

DAY FOURTEEN MALAGA – GRANADA

→ Leave for **GRANADA** (2 hour drive) with its magnificent **PALACE OF THE ALHAMBRA** and the **GARDENS OF THE GENERALIFE**,
highlights of Granada that were designated World Heritage Sites.
Your free time can be devoted to stroll in the Old Quarter, which
feels like going back to medieval times, while having the chance
to admire the Cathedral, the Royal Chapel, the arthusian
Monastery and other monuments. Attend a Flamenco show in an
old gipsy cave at Quarter of Sacromonte.



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DAY FIFTEEN GRANADA - MADRID

→ Depart for Madrid. Accommodation at the hotel with an afternoon at leisure for shopping, walking around the city or visiting museums.

DAY SIXTEEN MADRID - HONG KONG

→ Your morning is free, with a provided transfer to airport for flight EK 142 at 15:25 pm.



DAY SEVENTEEN HONG KONG

→ Arrive Dubai 00:35 am, connect via EK 382 at 03:15 am, Arrive in Hong Kong at 14:40 pm.

