

Abercrombie & Kent



MOROCCO: IMPERIAL CITIES – A CONNECTIONS BOUTIQUE GROUP JOURNEY

Explore exotic Morocco, dining in an authentic riad, navigating Marrakech by horse-drawn carriage, sitting down to a meal with a local family and meeting the Berber people in their village beneath the Atlas' peaks.

Small Group Journeys, Connections Boutique Group Journeys



North Africa & Arabia, Morocco



8 days, from AU\$6,105



24 Guests

Journey Overview

Journey Highlights

Discover the full breadth of this diverse African country, exploring its historic cities and mountain villages, and meeting its welcoming Berber people

Spend three nights in fascinating, action-packed Marrakech

Explore Meknes and Volubilis, both UNESCO World Heritage sites, to unveil Morocco's unique culture and past

Experience Moroccan hospitality when you dine with a local family in their Marrakech home

Get to know the local Berber people with a visit to their mountain village



Itinerary

Day 1 Arrive Casablanca, Morocco

Arrive in Casablanca and transfer to your hotel. Gather tonight for a special welcome reception and dinner at a local restaurant.

Le Casablanca Hotel | Meals: D

Day 2 Casablanca | Fes via Rabat

Explore the towering Hassan II Mosque, a wildly intricate building that holds 25,000 worshipers; an additional 80,000 can be accommodated in the squares around it. Soaring above the ocean, its minaret stands as the tallest religious structure in the world. Drive to Rabat, the capital of Morocco, and explore the 12th-century Moorish Hassan Tower. View the mausoleum of Mohamed V, founder of modern Morocco, and visit Oudaya Kasbah; its gate is considered among the most beautiful in the Moorish world. Continue to Fes, arriving at day's end at your boutique hotel set on a scenic hilltop.

Hotel Sahrai | Meals: BL

Day 3 Fes | The Medieval City

Step back in time into ancient and remarkably untouched Fezel-Bali ("Old Fes"), the cultural heart of Morocco. Wander among the 9,000 lanes, alleys and souks that comprise its old quarter, where locals conduct their day-to-day business. See an elaborate mosaic-tiled fountain in Nejjarine Square. Later, discover Fezel-Jadid ("New Fes"), built in the 13th century. Fezel-Jadid is home to the Mellah, the old Jewish quarter, with its wrought-iron-decorated windows and carved wood balconies. Tonight, dine at a traditional Moroccan riad with a special guest who shares insight into Moroccan life.

Hotel Sahrai | Meals: BLD

Day 4 Fes | Roman Ruins of Volubilis & Imperial Meknes

After breakfast, drive to Volubilis, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and home to Morocco's largest and best-preserved Roman ruins with excellently preserved mosaics. Continue to the city of Meknes. A UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the imperial cities of Morocco, it was built in the 17th century by the powerful sultan Moulay Ismail to rival the court of Louis XIV. Return to Fes to enjoy your evening at leisure.

Hotel Sahrai | Meals: BL

Day 5 Marrakech | The "Red City"

Fly to Marrakech, arriving in the afternoon. Considered the "Pearl of the South," Marrakech was once the capital of an empire that stretched from Spain to Senegal, and is sometimes known as the "Red City" for the distinctive hues of its brick buildings.

Naoura Barri re Marrakech | Meals: B

Day 6 Marrakech | Palaces and Performers

Discover Marrakech's ancient medina, the old walled section of the city. Explore the Dar Si Said (Museum of Moroccan Arts), a former palace. Continue to El Badi Palace and the 12th-century Koutoubia Minaret, the most perfect Islamic religious structure in North Africa. Stroll through Djemaa el-Fna square where fire-eaters, mime artists and street musicians perform. Return to your hotel by private horse-drawn carriage. This evening, enjoy a unique dining experience when you share a dinner with a local family.

Naoura Barri re Marrakech | Meals: BLD

Day 7 Marrakech | Atlas Mountains

Today, choose to remain in Marrakech or enjoy a full-day excursion to the High Atlas Mountains. Visit a picturesque village at Imlil Valley, meeting with local Berbers and visiting them in their homes. Your farewell dinner tonight is held at a charming traditional riad.

Naoura Barri re Marrakech | Meals: BLD

Day 8 Depart Marrakech

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

Accommodation

Le Casablanca Hotel



With smart white facades and decadent interiors, Le Casablanca is an urban oasis. Seamlessly blending Moroccan style and art-deco design, the retreat feels more like a splendid private residence, dressed in rich tonal reds, gleaming chandeliers and lashings of gold

Rooms are similarly glamorous yet homely with soft-sinking pillows (choose from a pillow menu), grandiose headboards and Italian marble bathrooms.

The spa feels just as decadent with its own traditional hammam and sensory pool. Choose from an extensive menu including custom-made bio-electro facials and purifying black soap scrubs.

Adjacent to the pool and the garden, the Terasse Jasmin offers breakfast through to dinner among the foliage and under lantern chandeliers. For a more formal affair, Le Brasserie creates duck dishes flavoured with local spices and honey roasted racks of lamb. In the morning, The Pavilion feels like a Parisian patisserie with pretty cakes and croissants displayed at breakfast.

Why we like it

- Art-deco architecture

- Two swimming pools
- Pampering spa with traditional hammam

Dates & Pricing

Prices are in AUD, per person, based on double occupancy

Nov 20, 2019 - Nov 27, 2019

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
AU\$6,105 pp	AU\$2,200	Included	Call for Availability

Nov 30, 2019 - Dec 7, 2019

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
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Dec 16, 2019 - Dec 23, 2019

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
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