

# K.O.R.A. TRAVEL

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Flavour of Morocco, Anti-Atlas, Desert, Marrakech



*Enjoy the treasures of the Anti-Atlas and Marrakech*

Location:

**Agadir - Kasbah Tizourgane - Tafrouit - Foug Zguid - Nkob - Merzouga / Erg Chebbi - Todra & Dadesschlucht - Ouarzazate - Ait Benhaddou - Marrakech - Agadir**

Arrival from: Agadir

Duration from: 10 days

Accommodation: Specially selected Riads and Kasbahs, Desert camps and interesting Desert Hotels

## **Sample the different Moroccan lifestyles.. but in luxury.**

This is a fantastic opportunity to immerse yourself into the various exciting and specially selected experiences. We will be staying in a whole cross-section of luxury accommodation furnished and restored to the highest standards, each with its own distinctive ambience.

You could stay in a Kasbah, a cave, a Ksour, Riad, Auberge, Hotel and Desert camp, enjoying the authentic atmosphere in typical Moroccan settings.

We will take the opportunity to sample the huge variety of local and regional cuisine and learn the many techniques and methods of cooking. We visit the local souks, filled with colour and the aromas of the many spices lingering in the air. You get to taste the bountiful fresh local produce in an energy filled environment

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## Example of a typical tour

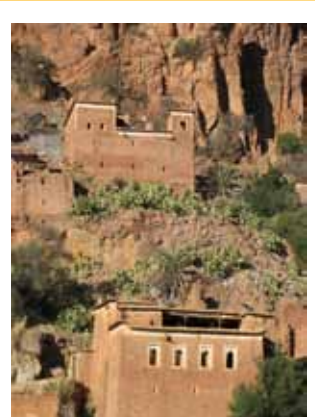
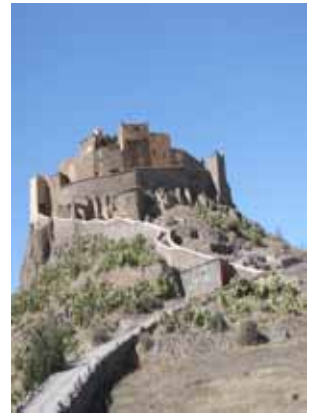
\*At the airport you will be welcomed by your tour guide. Your first night will be spent in **Agadir** which is situated on the Atlantic coast and has magnificent beaches.

\* We drive through the foothills and valleys of the **Anti-Atlas** surrounded by black volcanic mountains opening up into an oasis with its huge Argan and Almond plantations. We arrive at the Kasbah Tizourgane which is located in a truly spectacular, peaceful and remote setting. It is a fascinating ancient monument and feels like a step back in time. Excursions are available to the markets, Hamman, Henna Painting, and an opportunity to cook traditional Moroccan food. Stay 1 or 2 nights

\* We continue our journey to **Tafraoute** set in a mix of oasis and mountain landscape. Surrounded by huge rock formations it is one of the quietest most friendly villages where we see how the old traditional clay houses were built. You can walk into the sands of the desert to see the spectacular colourful rocks. In this area we visit a ladies cooperative and a very different medina. Stay here for either 1 or 2 nights.

\*The next day we go eastwards and make our way to **Tissint** with its wide deserted streets and small settlements. The changing hilly landscapes with magnificent colour structures lead us to a 30 meter deep dry river bed, which then opens up into wide open plains and the oasis village of **Foum Zguid** We spend the night at Bab Rimal in a very interesting and luxurious desert hotel with bungalows built in the style of a nomad tent.

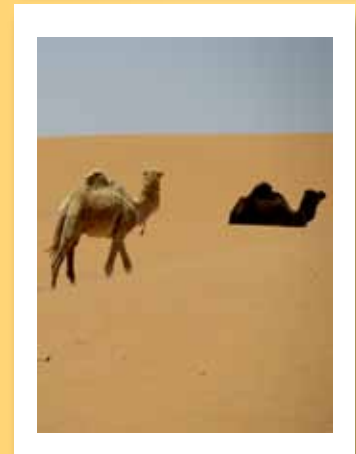
\*The next day we head through the hilly, rocky landscape, with many small oases over the Tizi-n-Hamdel-Rhomane pass at a height of 1395m. We cross the **Draâ**, the largest palm oasis in the country and reach the desert suburb of **Nkob**, with its 45 Kasbahs. We stay here for at least one night at the Kasbah Imdoukal and take a stroll around the **Djebel Sarhro**



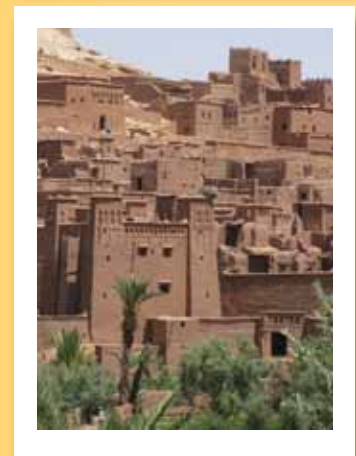
\*We drive through a mile-long plain, accompanied by stunning views of the mountain ranges and the peaks of the High Atlas in the distance, arriving in **Rissani**. Beyond it the desert awaits. The first small oasis appears, and we see the constantly changing colours projected onto the sand dunes. To experience either the sunrise or sunset we ride the camels into the dunes, entering the darkness of the desert camp, illuminated by the glowing campfire and flickering candles. The silence, the space, the stars, a truly magical experience. Spend 2 nights here or should you wish, in a stylish hotel or Kasbah.



\*Today we have planned a wonderful desert 4x4 experience. witnessing the life of the local nomads whilst being a guest at their camp. We then visit a former ore mine, discover fossils under the desert sand and listen to the songs of the former slaves the Gnaoua. We have lunch in a desert inn at **Erfoud** and after this we visit the local marble industry, which produces unique high quality black marble furniture and other objects containing fossils. We head for the fascinating canyons, and gorges diving deep into the bizarre and colourful mountains, stopping to enjoy the **Dades and Todra Gorges**, visiting the 'blue men' of **Tinghir City**.



Moving on to the Hollywood of Morocco and the film studios in **Ouarzazate** where many of the famous classics such as Lawrence of Arabia and Gladiator were produced. Explore the outstanding Berber Kasbah **Ait Benhaddou**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and savour the unique atmosphere. Overnight stay.



\*The next day we continue our journey across the **High Atlas** and make our way over the gigantic **Tizi n Tichka** pass with its stunning views, reaching our final destination **Marrakech** where we enjoy the evening. Stay here between 1 and 3 nights



\*On our last day we make a leisurely journey back to **Agadir**