

# TREASURES OF MOROCCO & SPAIN

## Featuring - Casablanca

<b>DURATION</b> 17 Nights / 18 Days	<b>GROUP SIZE</b> 18 People	<b>AIRPORT</b> JFK	<b>PRICE STARTING FROM</b> Twin Occupancy Price Per person - \$5,901.00 Single Supplement Price Per Person - \$1,499.00
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### OVERVIEW

Embark on a captivating journey through Morocco and Spain, immersing yourself in the rich tapestry of cultures, flavours, and history. Explore Morocco's bustling souks, majestic mosques, and ancient medinas in cities like Casablanca, Fez, and Marrakesh. In Spain, discover the architectural wonders of Madrid, Barcelona, Seville, and Valencia, from the Alhambra Palace to the Sagrada Familia. With expert guides leading the way, experience the vibrant colors of Moroccan bazaars, the passion of flamenco, and the beauty of Moorish and Gothic architecture. This tour promises an unforgettable exploration of two of the most culturally rich and diverse regions in the world.

### DEPARTURE

Start Date	End Date	Departure Gateway	Price Per Person
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## INCLUSIONS

- ◆ 16 Night's accommodation in TWN/DBL sharing basis at listed hotels or similar
- ◆ Daily Breakfast,
- ◆ 09 Dinners and 01 Lunch
- ◆ Full Day tour of Fez
- ◆ Admission to Great Hassan II Mosque in Casablanca and UNESCO World Heritage sites in Rabat
- ◆ Full Day tour of Marrakesh including Lunch
- ◆ Guided tour of Barcelona
- ◆ Guided city tour of Seville, the Andalusian capital
- ◆ Tour of Mezquita-Catedral, built as Mosque in 784 AD , became Catholic church in 1236
- ◆ Transportation in Deluxe Tourist Vehicle
- ◆ All sightseeing with admissions
- ◆ Services of English-speaking driver & guide
- ◆ **International return airfare ex-New York (Please check with us for pricing from other cities)**
- ◆ All taxes and surcharges
- ◆ All local applicable taxes

## EXCLUSIONS

- ◆ All other meals
- ◆ All other sightseeing or services
- ◆ Gratuities for meals, tourist guides, drivers
- ◆ Visa fee
- ◆ Travel Insurance
- ◆ Personal expenses such as alcoholic and other beverages, telephone calls, and laundry
- ◆ COVID-19 testing RT-PCR Fee
- ◆ Local city taxes if applicable to be paid directly at hotels upon check out
- ◆ Any other services or Items not mentioned above as included

# ITINERARY

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## DAY 1 Depart USA/CANADA [-/-/-]

Prepare yourself! You are leaving today for Morocco to start your Treasures of Morocco & Spain tour.

## DAY 2 Casablanca Arrival [-/-/D]

Upon arrival in Casablanca, claim your bags and proceed toward the arrival hall. Our representative will meet you and assist you with your transfer to the hotel. (Standard check-in time is 3:00 pm).

Check in at the hotel and catch up on your rest. You can unwind or tour the city throughout the remaining part of the day.

Overnight in Casablanca

## DAY 3 Casablanca -Rabat [B/-/D]

Start your day with breakfast at the hotel before meeting your guide in the lobby around 9:30 a.m. for a panoramic tour of Casablanca, Morocco's largest city and business hub. Begin with a visit to the magnificent Hassan II Mosque, boasting the world's second tallest minaret. Then, explore landmarks including Muhammad V Square, United Nations Place, the Central Market, the Habbous district, and the Anfa residential area. Afterwards, take a leisurely stroll along the ocean at Ain Diad, known for its chic coastline known as The Corniche. Enjoy lunch at a seafood restaurant (not included) before departing for Rabat, the political capital and one of Morocco's four imperial cities. Discover UNESCO World Heritage Sites such as the Hassan Tower, the impressive Mohamed V Mausoleum, the historic Kasbah of Udayas, and the vibrant medina. Conclude your day with dinner and an overnight stay in Rabat.

## DAY 4 Rabat - Meknes -Fez [B/-/D]

After breakfast, set off towards Fez, making a stop along the way to explore the archaeological marvel of Volubilis, designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Dating back to the 3rd century BC, Volubilis thrived as a regional capital of Ancient Rome. Continuing on,

you'll reach Meknes, often referred to as the "Moroccan Versailles," where you'll enjoy a panoramic tour after lunch (not included). Founded in the late 17th century by Sultan Moulay Ismail, Meknes boasts UNESCO-listed treasures such as Bab Mansour, the beautifully preserved gate, Hari Souani, and the ancient medina. Arrive in Fez in the late afternoon for dinner and overnight stay.

## DAY 5 Fez [B/-/D]

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before embarking on a full-day guided tour of Fez, renowned as Morocco's most ancient cultural and spiritual city. Begin your exploration with a visit to the medieval medina, the historic heart of Fez established in the 8th century. Here, you'll encounter architectural marvels such as the Andalusian mosque and the al-Quarawiyyin mosque, among others. Explore ancient madrasas, traditional religious schools and universities from the Middle Ages, and admire the iconic Nejjarine fountain. After indulging in a traditional Moroccan lunch (not included), wander through the bustling streets of the old medina, witnessing skilled craftsmen practicing their crafts in the age-old oriental tradition. Conclude the day with dinner and an overnight stay in Fez.

## DAY 6 Fez-Beni Mellal-Marrakesh [B/-/D]

Following breakfast, begin your journey towards Marrakesh, traversing through Imouzzar Kandar, Azrou, and Ifrane, nestled in the picturesque landscapes of the Middle Atlas, renowned for its majestic cedar forests. Pause for lunch (not included) in Beni Mellal before resuming your drive to Marrakesh. As you progress, the landscape transforms, with the rich red earth of the countryside standing out against the azure sky and lush green palm trees. Arrive in Marrakesh in the evening for dinner and an overnight stay.

## DAY 7 Marrakesh [B/L/-]

Start your day with breakfast at the hotel before embarking on a full-day guided tour of Marrakesh, hailed as the "Pearl of the South" and the second oldest

imperial city in Morocco. Begin your exploration in the morning with visits to the historic Saadian Tombs, the iconic 12th-century Koutoubia Mosque, the opulent Bahia Palace, and the serene Menara Gardens. After enjoying lunch at your hotel, delve into the vibrant and bustling souks, renowned as some of the most diverse and colorful in the country, where myriad trades intertwine in a captivating atmosphere. Wander through the labyrinthine streets of the old medina, culminating your tour at Jemaâ el-Fnaa, the city's bustling main square and a hub of continuous entertainment featuring storytellers, snake charmers, fire-eaters, and more. Conclude your day with an overnight stay in Marrakesh.

#### DAY 8 Marrakesh - Casablanca [B/-/D]

Indulge in breakfast at the hotel and savor a leisurely morning, immersing yourself in the vibrant ambiance of Marrakesh. Alternatively, you have the option to enhance your experience with an optional camel ride (\$) in Marrakesh Palmeraie (approximately \$45 per person, payable on-site), or simply unwind by the hotel pool. In the afternoon, commence your journey back to Casablanca. Conclude the day with dinner and an overnight stay at the hotel in Casablanca

#### DAY 9 Casablanca - Madrid [B/-/-]

Following breakfast, you'll be met by local representatives in the hotel lobby and transferred to the airport for your flight to Madrid. Upon arrival at Madrid airport, our local representatives will warmly welcome you after customs and accompany you to your hotel in the city. The remainder of your day is yours to unwind or begin your exploration of the dynamic city of Madrid

#### DAY 10 Madrid [B/-/-]

After enjoying breakfast at the hotel, embark on a journey to discover Madrid, renowned as one of Europe's youngest and most vibrant capitals. Delve into its rich history, marked by the legacies of the Habsburg and Bourbon dynasties, and explore its diverse neighborhoods, each with its unique village-like charm. Immerse yourself in the city's cultural offerings, including renowned museums like the Prado and the

Reina Sofia. Experience an engaging panoramic tour of Madrid, featuring iconic landmarks such as the bustling Gran Vía and Plaza de España, the majestic Plaza Mayor, the vibrant Puerta del Sol, the historic Puerta de Alcalá, and the legendary Santiago Bernabéu stadium of Real Madrid. The afternoon and evening are yours to further explore the enchanting streets of Madrid at your leisure.

#### DAY 11 Madrid - Cordoba - Seville [B/-/D]

Following breakfast at the hotel, embark on a journey towards Cordoba, traversing the vast plains of La Mancha. Cordoba stands as a testament to the convergence of diverse cultures, shaped by Roman, Jewish, Muslim, and Catholic influences spanning centuries. Today, the city exudes an authentic charm, characterized by its whitewashed buildings, tranquil squares, and adorned courtyards. Explore the city's rich heritage on a sightseeing tour, highlighted by a visit to its most iconic symbol of past grandeur, the magnificent mosque-cathedral (Mezquita-Catedral). Originally constructed as a mosque in 784 and later converted into a Catholic church in 1236, this architectural marvel epitomizes the pinnacle of Muslim presence in Spain. Additionally, delve into the Juderia, Cordoba's historic Jewish quarter, a labyrinth of narrow alleys surrounding the mosque-cathedral. Conclude your day with a journey to Seville, where dinner will be provided at the hotel.

#### DAY 12 Seville [B/-/D]

Start your day with breakfast at the hotel before immersing yourself in a guided tour of Seville, the vibrant capital of Andalusia and the largest city in southern Spain. Known for its sun-drenched streets, tantalizing tapas, passionate flamenco, and traditional bullfighting, Seville also boasts a rich architectural heritage that reflects its diverse cultural influences, including Gothic and Moorish styles dating back to the Middle Ages. Explore iconic landmarks such as the awe-inspiring Seville Cathedral and the iconic Giralda Tower, symbols of Moorish splendor. Marvel at the grandeur of Plaza de España and wander through the lush greenery of María Luisa Park, one of Seville's largest urban parks. Stroll through the picturesque Santa Cruz district, where charming cobblestone streets and blooming terraces come alive with energy

after dark. With the afternoon and evening free for exploration, you have the opportunity to delve deeper into the vibrant streets and captivating culture of Seville. Conclude your day with a delightful dinner and a comfortable overnight stay at the hotel.

#### DAY 13 Seville - Granada [B/-/D]

After enjoying breakfast at the hotel, embark on a journey towards Granada, renowned as the crown jewel of Andalusia. Nestled amidst the breathtaking Sierra Nevada mountains, Granada stands as one of Spain's most exquisite cities, drawing visitors from across the globe with its rich historical and cultural allure. Your visit will undoubtedly be highlighted by the awe-inspiring Alhambra Palace and its enchanting Generalife gardens, showcasing the pinnacle of Muslim influence in Spain and recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Additionally, be captivated by the unique charm of Sacromonte, where troglodyte houses carved into the rock still host intimate flamenco performances. Conclude your day with dinner and a comfortable overnight stay in Granada.

#### DAY 14 Granada - Valencia [B/-/-]

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before heading towards Valencia, passing through Guadix, Baza, and Puerto Lumbreras. On arrival in Valencia, Spain's third largest city, situated at the meeting point of the Turia river and the Mediterranean Sea on the southeast coast, spend the afternoon exploring this vibrant port city. Valencia is renowned for its architectural richness, blending centuries-old heritage around the stunning Plaza de la Virgen with modern marvels like the remarkable City of Arts and Sciences. Overnight in Valencia.

#### DAY 15 Valencia - Barcelona [B/-/-]

Following breakfast at the hotel, enjoy some free time to wander through Valencia's historic old town. Discover the magnificent Saint Mary's Cathedral, dating back to the 13th century, and immerse yourself in the vibrant atmosphere of the Central Market, known as one of the liveliest and most captivating markets in the country. Around midday, depart for Barcelona, the capital of Catalonia and a cosmopolitan hub in Europe. Spend the rest of the afternoon at your leisure,

beginning your exploration of Barcelona. Explore the charming district of La Barceloneta, bordered by a picturesque promenade adorned with palm trees and flanked by San Sebastia beach on one side and the historic Gothic quarter on the other. Formerly a fishing village, La Barceloneta is now bustling with bars and restaurants, serving as a popular gathering spot for both locals and tourists alike.

#### DAY 16 Barcelona [B/-/-]

After enjoying breakfast at the hotel, embark on a guided city tour of Barcelona, renowned worldwide for its unparalleled art and architecture. Begin your exploration on the Montjuic hill, where you'll encounter the park bearing its name, often referred to as the city's green lung, offering stunning panoramic views of the bustling port below. Nearby, witness the historic Olympic ring, marking the primary site of the memorable 1992 Olympic Games. Delve into the enchanting Old Gothic quarter, among the best-preserved in Europe, featuring notable landmarks such as the monument dedicated to Christopher Columbus, the picturesque Plaça Reial, the iconic Rambla, and the magnificent 15th-century Barcelona Cathedral. The remainder of the day is yours to continue uncovering Barcelona's treasures. Seek out the architectural marvels designed by Gaudi, a pivotal figure in the city's global acclaim. Don't miss the awe-inspiring Sagrada Familia, his masterpiece and a truly unique architectural wonder, as well as the enchanting Park Güell, both designated UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

#### DAY 17 Barcelona - Zaragoza - Madrid [B/-/-]

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before departing for Madrid. Along the way, make a stop in Zaragoza, the capital of Aragon, renowned for its abundant cultural and historical heritage. Situated along the Ebro river, Zaragoza offers a wealth of attractions to explore. During your leisure time, meander through the charming Old Town and marvel at the Basilica del Pilar, a significant pilgrimage site dedicated to the Virgin Mary. Additionally, discover the Aljaferia Palace, a medieval fortress dating back to the 11th century, showcasing remarkable Spanish-Islamic architecture. Afterward, continue your journey to Madrid. Upon arrival, check-in at the hotel and spend the night in Madrid.

After breakfast you, you will be transferred to Malaga airport for your return flight home.

## Payment Policy & Insurance

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**Deposit: US\$ 500 per person [Non-refundable / Non-transferrable]**

50% Deposit: 140 Days prior departure

Full Balance: 90 Days prior to departure

(Once the deposit is paid, the travelers can then pay any amount on any date. Travelers to ensure that the payment deadlines are met as above)

## Insurance Policy

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**We encourage everyone who books a VOYAGES HUB TOURS package, regardless of age or tour choice, to obtain a travel protection plan. While you intend to take that once-in-a-lifetime trip, illness, family emergencies, and other factors can derail your best-laid plans.**

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## Cancellation Policy

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- ◆ From the date of booking to 145 days before departure: \$300 per person Non-Refundable / Non-transferrable Deposit + interruption insurance cost (if purchased)
- ◆ 144-120 days before departure: 50% of the cost per person
- ◆ 119- 60 days before departure: 80% of the cost per person
- ◆ 59 days or fewer before departure: **No refund is available.**

### Note:

A person becoming single because of the roommate's cancellation must pay the single supplement

All payment cut-off dates are firm, and missing deadlines without approved extensions will result in cancellations without refunds being offered.

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