

# Morocco

*Textiles Arts Crafts Desertscapes*

November 1–14, 2024

With Optional Essaouira  
Nov 14-17

*“To visit Morocco is still like turning the pages of some illuminated Persian manuscript,  
all embroidered with bright shapes and subtle lines.” – Edith Wharton*





*Experience a place where mystique and enchantment are always waiting around the next corner*

*Stunning landscapes, beautiful architecture, and unique lifestyles are a given in this endlessly fascinating country.*

*In addition, journey deep into a magical land of shifting sands where centuries of history have created a passionate crafts culture*

### **14 days immersion in Morocco**

- Several UNESCO sites
- Intimate exploration of Morocco's royal walled cities
- Luxury accommodations in 4-5\* heritage riads
- Sahara luxury camp stay
- Four hands-on textile workshops with women socio-preneurs including Berber natural dyeing demo and workshop
- Zellige and arts and crafts demos
- YSL Majorelle Gardens and Berber Jewellery Museum
- Medina and monument tours with expert guides
- Lecture by professor of Women Studies, Univ. of Fes
- Route of 1000 Kasbahs
- Jemaa el Fna, Marrakech

*"Morocco with eyho was a spectacular trip in every way possible! The physical landscape was utterly astonishing - our drives through the High Atlas Mountains and through five completely different landscapes in a single day. Riding a camel into our tented camp in the Sahara in the afternoon heat and staying overnight was a huge highlight—that incredible landscape, dinner outside on the sand with a table illuminated by a string of lights and then the moon rising, deepening shadows on the dunes, as we sat by the light of the fire and listened to the drumming. The quick morning cup of Espresso out of the trunk of a car at the edge of the camp is a story I will tell many times! Our guide was a huge force. He was able to talk about history, agriculture, politics, hydroelectric projects, climate change and green energy, women's rights, and sharia law. And you, dear, beautiful Shila. The planning, hard work, endless phone calls, troubleshooting behind the scenes to make our trip so unforgettable and memorable. Our accommodations, meals and excursions were of the highest comfort and appointment. Each property was truly unique. I am filled with wonder and gratitude – Suzanne Cross, Toronto*

*"EYHOS's tour of Morocco is one of the best travel experiences I have ever had, partly due to the knowledge, organizational skills, kindness, generosity, and just plain good sense of our trip leader, Shila, and our guide, Hisham, who made each day interesting. I started looking forward to changing hotels when I began wondering what grand little gem Shila had in-store for us that night. We never stayed in a hotel that could be anywhere. Some cultures wear their grandeur on the outside. As Shila always says, Morocco's riches are on the inside. It was an incredible treat travelling with you. Thank you for fulfilling my dreams of Morocco! – Janice C., Cleveland, OH*

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## Your destination awaits

*From the rugged, breathtaking face of the Atlas Mountains to the shifting golden dunes of the Sahara, Morocco is a place of unparalleled natural beauty.*

*Not to be outdone, Morocco's craftspeople instill their work with the rich palette and texture of their surroundings. E.Y.H.O. will take you into the homes and workshops of Morocco's talented artisans to learn of their sense of design, shape, form, colour, and texture. You'll have a chance to work alongside masters of their craft while exchanging stories of your own craft.*

*You will visit jewel box-like medinas, mosques, and villages carved from rock, experience a night under the stars in deluxe Berber tents and wander lush palmyra gardens.*

*This trip is a sensitively curated "best of" a kaleidoscopic country.*

## What I love about this itinerary

*What's not to love about this veritable jewel box of a country? Treasures abound, from fabled royal cities, charming mountain towns, the Sahara, Atlas Mountains, and the exotic chic that is Marrakech. We will explore it all. If that isn't enough, we will go deeper by camping with Berbers in the desert, and meeting artisans who craft exquisitely with their hands and hearts. We will work alongside women who have newly found their voice and vocation. Few attempt the scope of this itinerary, and even fewer do it well. With options for branching out later according to your desire, this trip promises to make your "best-ever" list.*

~ Shila

*"Morocco with E.Y.H.O was the dream trip of a lifetime, a beautiful combination of adventure and cultural appreciation, thoughtfully and thoroughly conceived". – Jessica Bradley, Montreal*

## 14 days (13 nights)

- 1 night Tangier
- 2 nights Chefchaouen
- 3 nights Fes
- 1 night Erfoud
- 1 night Sahara – Merzouga
- 2 nights Ouarzazate
- 3 nights Marrakech
- Tour begins Tangier. Escorted Casablanca-Tangier train transfer \$
- Tour ends Marrakech. Transfer back to Casablanca or Tangier \$

Cost USD pp	10-11 pax	12-14 pax
Double occ. pp	4620	4480
Single supplement	990	990
Essaouira extension	790/ add 350 single	

# Costs and inclusions

## What's included

- hosted by experienced E.Y.H.O Tours leader
- expert English-speaking monument guides
- air-conditioned ground transport
- accommodation in riads (boutique heritage 4-5\*)
- all activities and entrance fees
- Berber weaving workshop with lunch
- Berber natural dyeing workshop with lunch
- Needle-button making workshop with lunch
- Moroccan embroidery workshop
- Zellige and arts and crafts demos
- All breakfasts and daily lunch or dinner
- local taxes and fees

## What's not

- International airfare
- Tipping guides, drivers, meals, personal spending
- Travel insurance

Minimum 10 / Maximum 14

Fall 2024	Double occ.pp Min 10-11 pax	Double occ.pp 12-14 pax	Single supplement
Cost pp USD	\$ 4620	\$ 4480	\$ 990
Essaouira ext.	790	790	350

Casablanca-Tangier escorted high-speed first-class train: \$ 75  
Extra nights and airport transfers Casa and Tangiers, please enquire.

Registration with USD 800 deposit

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Extend your love-affair with Morocco! *Essaouira* extension

### Enquiries

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## Our tour participants speak...



*"Shila, our fearless leader, you are a dream tour organiser, always attentive and always wanting us to have the best memories. Big thanks for an unforgettable adventure. Your spirit of generosity, infectious love of travel, and curiosity are an inspiration"* – Jessica Bradley, Montreal

*"We wanted to tell you again how much we enjoyed our recent tour of Morocco with E.Y.H.O. Tours. The itinerary was fascinating, accommodations top-notch, and organization flawless – quite an achievement given the challenges of travelling these days. Hicham, was exceptional, could always be counted on to make our experiences of Morocco more remarkable. Not to mention cinematographic skills during our camel trek! Driver, Sliman was also terrific – reliable, punctual; we always felt safe when he was behind the wheel, whether in rush-hour traffic in downtown Casablanca or on twisting mountain roads in the High Atlas. Simply put, we had a great time."* Mary & Scott Gibson, Toronto

*"An all-encompassing tour of Morocco with the best team I've ever experienced . . . felt like dear friends by the end of the tour."* Becky Sharp Dean, Nashville, TN

# Accommodations

A sample of 4-5\* accommodations selected for location, comfort, ambiance, superior service, and cultural relevance



## Fes

Located in the heart of the medina, this exquisitely appointed palace is renowned for its interpretation of Fes cuisine. Meals are served in the inner courtyard in the traditional style. Steps from shops and the buzz of Fes markets.



## Marrakech

One of the most beautiful riads in the heart of the medina has been meticulously restored to former magnificence as the residence of the *caïd* Sebban. Ideal location from Jamaâ el Fna and souks, with rooftop terrace, views of the Medina, patios, plunge pool, fountains, and on-site spa.



## Sahara

**Luxury Tented Camp**  
From atop a camel, arrive at a very special place in the desert. Live like a Berber royal in this tented camp with plentiful hot water, fine dining in Moroccan tents with floors covered by Berber rugs. As darkness falls, dance to the beat of ancient Berber drumming under a sprangled milky way.



## Ouarzazate

In an authentic yet modern setting, this Ksar blends in with its stunning environment. Pool, gardens, and shaded seating areas all converge to create your own oasis in the desert. Consistently rated impeccable hospitality and service.

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Essaouira

14-17 Nov, 2024

UNESCO city's dual heritage can be seen in the mighty walls that surround this old Moroccan trade centre. Once a Portuguese fortress, its rusting cannons between the ramparts still point out to sea. Narrow winding streets are filled with the sound of Gnaoua singing, women in white haiks weave their way through the alleys of the old medina, and palm trees cast their shadows across the walls of whitewashed houses. At its heart Essaouira is, and always has been, a Moroccan city.

Essaouira is consistently rated as a "must" by our travellers for a perfect, leisurely wind down after the main tour. The hammams are legend!

4 days, 3 nights

- 4\* riad
- Breakfast daily
- Guided tours: Silversmith mellah, medina, and fish market
- Transportation to and from Essaouira



### Essaouira Itinerary

#### Nov 14

Marrakech to Essaouira/ orientation walk in medina

#### Nov 15

Short walking tour inside the medina of Essaouira. Visit Melah Squala silver factory, fish market, and soak in the laid-back vibe of this seaside retreat.

#### Nov 16

Free day in Essaouira. Optional: a visit to argan oil co-operatives to see women grinding the nuts, making the oils and pastes, Learn to cook with argan oil (\$). Farewell dinner.

#### Nov 17

Transfer to Marrakech (inc) or 3 hrs to Casablanca (\$) for international departure

**USD 790 pp double occ/USD 350 single supplement**

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