

SPAIN & MOROCCO

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DAY 1: ARRIVAL MADRID



Meet and greet at Madrid – Barajas Airport by our local representative and transfer to Madrid. We arrange for prayers in **Spanish Mosque Madrid M30**.

Proceed to enjoy the views of **Bullring of Madrid Las Ventas**, visit **Real Madrid Stadium Santiago Bernabeu** -one of the best clubs worldwide- (Tour Bernabeu).

Early **Halal dinner**, transfer and check-in at hotel. Overnight in Madrid.



DAY 2: MADRID – HIGHLIGHTS TOUR



Breakfast. City tour enjoying the main highlights: **Plaza Oriental**, **Royal Palace**, **Plaza Mayor**, **Puerta Del Sol Square**, **Arab Wall**, **Old Quarters**, **Cibeles Fountain**, **Puerta de Alcalá**, **Plaza España**, **Gran Via Avenue**.

At **Preciados Fashion Street** we could get delighted with Spanish world renowned fashion brands such as *Massimo Dutti*, *Mango*, *Zara*, *Bershka*, as well as international branding. **Halal lunch**.

In the evening we travel with our guide to the Outlet Madrid **Las Rozas Village®** www.lasrozasvillage.com. **Halal dinner** and overnight in Madrid.



DAY 3: MADRID – CÓRDOBA – SEVILLE



Breakfast. Check out and travel to the magnificent city of the Caliphate "Córdoba". Start your Tour in *Qurtuba* with a stroll through the cobbled streets of this jewel city of the Middle Ages. Be spellbound by the **Mezquita**, the exquisite mosque started by Abdul Rahman I and expanded by his successors.

The Great Mosque -Aljama- of Córdoba as it is also known, built during the period of Moorish occupation, is the most splendid Islamic monument in the western world. Its construction commenced in 785, when Abd Rahman established Córdoba as capital of Al-Andalus; it was extended during successive periods by Abd Rahman II, Al-Hakam II and Almanzor.

Halal lunch. Prayer in **Mosque of Avorroes** and meeting with head of Muslim Community of Córdoba and Imam of Masjid Avorroes **Ibn Rushd**. Crossing the **Roman bridge** till the **Calaà Hurra**, the Islamic fortified gate in the historic centre. Free time for Souvenirs and shopping. Proceed to **Sevilla**. **Halal dinner** and overnight in Sevilla.



DAY 4: SEVILLE - GRANADA



Breakfast. As it is commonly known, *Ishbiliya* or Sevilla is Spain's most beautiful city. The Muslims left a rich legacy in this historical city that gave birth to a culture which was the epitome of the refinement of the Moorish-Andalusian heritage. Visit what was once the main Mosque, which was demolished and replaced by a **Gothic Cathedral**. The marvelous minaret, the **Giralda**, is still standing and is one of the most awesome sights to behold.





Visit **Plaza de España** or Spain Square, located in the Parque de María Luisa, built in 1928 for the Ibero-American Exposition of 1929; stop by the **Golden Tower**, built in the 13th century by the Almohad dynasty in order to control access to Seville via the Guadalquivir river. Proceed to **Granada** -the City of Faith and Justice-. **Halal Dinner** and overnight in Granada.

DAY 5: GRANADA – ALHAMBRA

Breakfast. Also known as *Gharnada*, this magnificent kingdom produces astounding architecture and a rich tradition that still influences the lives of the people of present-day Andalusia.

Embark on a walking tour to unravel the Islamic heritage of this enchanting kingdom, its Arab baths, its guest houses, its markets.

Finally, marvel at the architecture, the **Alhambra***, the red fortress built on top of a hill and the biggest attraction in Spain. It is a fairy-tale fortress created by Muslim architects, engineers, artists and craftsmen who put their heart and soul, inspired by the Quran to build an exquisite abode, where the motto is "There is no Victorious but Allah".

Explore this incredible fortress with its Quranic scripts and Arabic poetry, crowning our visit by admiring the Jannat al-Arif, the garden of paradise, now called the Generalife. See how light, wind and water have been utilized to create a serene and relaxing bliss.

After Maghreb prayers at the **New Granada Mosque**, explore the old city of **Albaicin**, where the medieval mystique atmosphere is still alive. Enjoying the Elvira Street Al-Qaisaria, founded by Yusuf I and called Yussufiya, as one of the famous Madrasa in Islamic Heritage of Al-Andalus. Free time for shopping at Serrallo Plaza. **Halal dinner** and overnight in Granada.

* Alhambra Tour pending on available access to Nazaris Palaces tickets.



DAY 6: GRANADA – TARIFA – TANGIER

Check on board a ferry at the port of Algeciras and cross the **Strait of Gibraltar**, which separates the Atlantic Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea, to **Morocco**.

Halal lunch upon arrival at the port of **Tangier**. Start our day visiting **The Medina**, a walled city lively with its alleyways which are filled with shops and tea-houses.

Located high on a hill in Tangier with some good views of the ocean is **The Kasbah**. The **Old Sultan's Palace** (built in the 17th Century), lying within the Kasbah's walls, is known as *Dar El Makhzen* and is now a museum that houses fine examples of Moroccan Art.

Tangier's **Grand Mosque** is a large mosque in the Grand Souq area of central Tangier. It was built on the site of a former Portuguese cathedral which in turn stood on a Roman temple dedicated to *Hercules*. The mosque dates back to the Moulay Ismail period and was expanded in 1815 by Moulay Suliman.

Hotel transfer and **Halal dinner**. Overnight in Tangier.





DAY 7: TANGIER – FEZ

Breakfast. Depart for **Fez** or as some spell it, *Fes* – the Moroccan city with the shortest name and the longest past! Your City Tour of Fez will include viewing the exterior of **The Royal Palace** though general public are barred from entering the Palace, but it is still an impressive sight even from outside. The **Mosque of Bouanania**, built between 1350 and 1357, is the biggest in Fez, and the hallmark of Merenid architecture. The **University of al-Qarawiyyin** is a university located in Fez, Morocco. It is the oldest existing, continually operating and the first degree awarding educational institution in the world according to UNESCO and Guinness World Records and is sometimes referred to as the oldest university. The al-Qarawiyyin mosque-religious school was founded by Fatima Al-Fihri in 859 with an associated madrasa. Transfer to hotel, **Halal dinner**, overnight in Fez.

DAY 8: FEZ – MEKNAS – RABAT – MARRAKECH

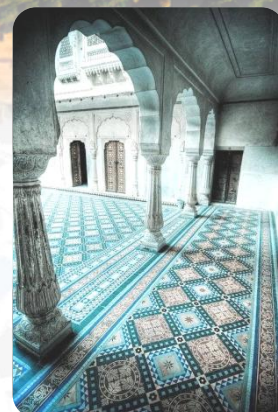
Breakfast. Departure to the Imperial City of **Meknes**, 17th century, surrounded with big old walls, gardens, nice places and squares, charming streets of the Old Medina, *Souqs*, Moulay Ismail Mosque and square with its old shrine of this Sultan and enormous arcs. Continue into **Rabat**, the elegant and green administrative Capital of Morocco. Visiting the Royal Palace area, the mausoleum of King Mohammed V, the Hassan's Tower. **Halal lunch** and proceed to **Marrakech**, the Pearl of the South and one of the Imperial cities of Morocco. **Halal dinner** and overnight in Marrakech.

DAY 9: MARRAKECH

Breakfast. Serving as the capital of southern Morocco, the city of Marrakech is one of the most visited countries and this colorful oasis retains a rather exotic flavor with some of its 16km mud brick ramparts still standing. Marrakech is now something of a Moroccan tourism heaven and is home to the south's premier *Souq* (market). Founded almost 1,000 years ago, the character of Marrakech remains quite unchanged, being hot, full of energy and somewhat African. Spread around the Medina and Djemaa El Fna square, the Koutoubia Mosque is one of the most eye-catching of Marrakech. **Halal dinner** and overnight in Marrakech.

DAY 10: MARRAKECH – CASABLANCA

Breakfast. Continue to Casablanca to visit the Beautiful pearl of the Atlantic Ocean, the city of Islamic heritage and today the most luxury and wealthy city of Morocco, a city not only for Kings and Princes with the beautiful surroundings and the beautiful Mosque of king Hassan II. The atmosphere has a unique beauty and mystic which you will never find in the world. You will be taken through the most beautiful locations like the old city and to enjoy the beautiful harbor of "Ainsbai".



DAY 11: CASABLANCA – DEPARTURE

Breakfast. Transfer out to Casablanca Airport for departure with warm memories.

PRICE INCLUDES

Transfers in-out
Meet & Greet
Program on Halal full board starts with dinner and ends with breakfast.
Entrance fees according program
Modern transportation Madrid
Muslim English speaking escort guide
Official local guide in Alhambra
Official local guides in all cities of Morocco
Ferry boat from Spain to Morocco
1 liter of water for each 4 pax during meals
1 bottle of water 330 ml daily during the tour

PRICE EXCLUDES

Other services or extras
Insurance
Beverages during meals Lunch or Dinner
Porters at the airport or hotels
Tipping
Luggage services

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

MADRID

SANTIAGO BERNABEU STADIUM

Home of the Real Madrid F.C. Some truly memorable football has been placed within the walls of Santiago Bernabeu Stadium. It is not used only for football matches, though this will always be its main use for major concerts.

CÓRDOBA

CALAHORRA

It is a fortified gate in the Historic centre of the city, of Islamic origin. It is also the inside of the building featuring a museum which is of particular interest.

CÓRDOBA MOSQUE

Converted into the Cathedral of Córdoba, the structure is regarded as one of the most accomplished monuments of Moorish architecture.

SEVILLA

GIRALDA

It is a bell tower of the Sevilla Cathedral, and was originally built as a minaret during the Muslim period. The Giralda was registered in 1987 as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. The tower is 104.1 m in height.

PLAZA DE ESPAÑA

The complex is a huge half-circle with buildings continually running around the edge accessible over the moat by numerous bridges, representing the four ancient kingdoms of Spain.

GRANADA

ALHAMBRA

It was so called because of its reddish walls (in Arabic, *qa'at al Hamra*). It is located on top of the hill Al-Sabika, on the left bank of the river Darro, to the west of the city of Granada and the neighbourhood of the Albaycin.

FES

QARAWIYYIN MOSQUE

Also known as *Al-Qarawiyyin Mosque*, was founded in 859. It is incredibly old and it has served as a home for the University of Al-Karaouine for centuries – giving cause for the Guinness Book of World Records to name the university as the "oldest existing educational institution in the world".

MARRAKECH

BAHIA PALACE

A Palace and a set of gardens built in the late 19th century, intended to be the greatest palace of its time. The name means "brilliance". As in other buildings of the period in other countries, it was intended to capture the essence of the Islamic and Moroccan style. There is a 2 acre (8.000m²) garden with rooms opening onto courtyards.

SAADIAN TOMBS

The tombs were discovered in 1917. The mausoleum comprises the interments of about sixty members of the Saadi Dynasty that originated in the valley of the Draa River.

DJEMAA EL FNA

Is a square and market place in Marrakech's medina quarter (old city). During the day it is predominantly occupied by orange juice stalls, youths with chained Barbary apes, water sellers with traditional leather water-bags and brass cups, and snake charmers.

