Morocco

Travel Facts

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise increased caution in Morocco due to terrorism. Consult its website via the link below for updates to travel advisories and statements on safety, security, local laws, and special circumstances in this country.

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport is valid at the date of their entering the country. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for any entry stamp and or visa that will be required. A visa is required, but US citizens may obtain the visa upon entering the country.

US Embassy/Consulate

[212] 537 637 200; US Embassy Rabat, Km 5.7, Avenue Mohamed VI, Souissi, Rabat 10170, Morocco; ACSCasablanca@state.gov; https://ma.usembassy.gov/

LGBTQ+ Travelers

When venturing abroad, LGBTQ+ travelers can face unique challenges since laws, attitudes, and legal protections vary from country to country. Consult the website via the link below to learn what precautions to take before and during your trip. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/lgbtqi.html

Telephone Code 212

Local Emergency Phone Ambulance: 15; Fire: 15; Police: 19

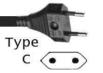
Vaccinations See WHO recommendations. http://www.who.int/

Climate Mediterranean, becoming more extreme in the interior

Currency (Code) Moroccan dirhams (MAD)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

220 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): C, E





Major Languages

Arabic, Berber languages (Tamazight, Tachelhit, Tarifit), French

Major Religions

Muslim 99% (virtually all Sunni, <0.1% Shia), other 1% (includes Christian, Jewish, and Baha'i)

Potable Water Opt for bottled water

Time Difference

UTC 0 (5 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1 hour, begins last Sunday in March, ends last Sunday in October

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side Right



Tourist Destinations

Marrakesh (includes Medina, Majorelle & Secret Gardens, Museum); Hassan II Mosque (Casablanca); Rabat (includes Royal Palace, Udayas Kasbah, Hassan Tower); Fes el Bali; Tangier; Chefchaouen; Volubilis; Atlas Mountains; Ouzoud Waterfalls; Ait Benhaddou

Major Sports

Soccer, kickboxing

Cultural Practices

Traditionally, food is taken only by the right hand, with three fingers. Bowls of water are prepared for washing hands before and after meals.

Tipping Guidelines

In restaurants, if a service charge has not been added, leave 20-30 dirhams or 10% of the bill. Tipping the bellhop 10-20 dirhams is reasonable. Round up taxi fares. Leave 5-10 dirhams per day for housekeeping.

Souvenirs

Silver and brass tea sets, Argan oil, ceramics/tagine clay cooking pots, leather goods including bobouche slippers, jewelry

Tagine — chicken stew with spices, vegetables, olives, and preserved lemons served with couscous

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