اتحاذ القفاصل الفضريين بالمغرب UNION DES CONSULS HONORAIRES AU MAROC Mombro de la FIGAC





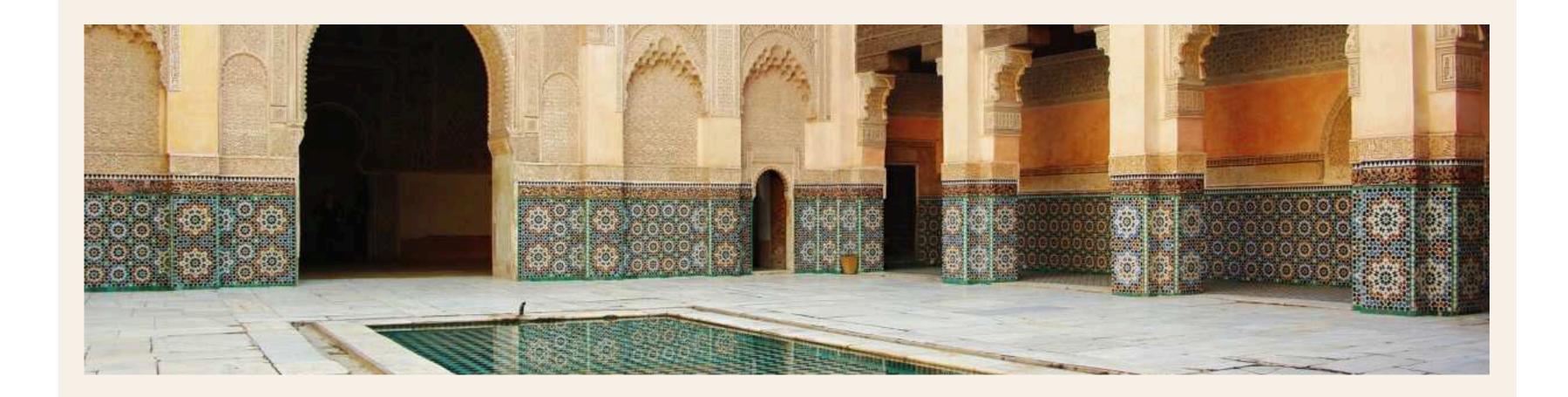


TABLE OF CONTENTS

- 1. Overview
- 2. Practical information
- 3. Iconic Venues of Marrakech

(Selected for the Annual Meeting of the World Federation of Consuls)

OVERVIEW

The 14th World Congress of Consuls 2025 brings together honorary consuls from around the world for key diplomatic discussions and cultural experiences.

This edition, held in Marrakech, offers a unique platform to explore global cooperation while highlighting Morocco's rich heritage. Over several days, participants will engage in high-level panels, bilateral meetings, and immersive visits to historic landmarks—fostering dialogue, strengthening networks, and celebrating the role of honorary consuls in international relations.





GENERAL INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPANTS

Welcome to Morocco! We are delighted to host you in Marrakech for the 14th World Congress of Consuls 2025.

Below are some key details to help you prepare for your trip.

HOTEL & EVENT LOCATION

Es Saadi Marrakech Resort Avenue Quadissia, Hivernage, 40000 Marrakech, Morocco

www.essaadi.com

The event sessions and official receptions will take place at or near the hotel venue.

CURRENCY & PAYMENTS

The official currency in Morocco is the Moroccan Dirham (MAD).

1 Euro ≈ 11 MAD (approximate rate, check updated exchange rate before travel).

International credit cards are widely accepted in hotels, restaurants, and major shops. However, cash is often preferred for small purchases or taxis. ATMs are available throughout the city.

ENTRY & VISAS

Please ensure your passport is valid for at least 6 months beyond your arrival date.

Visa requirements depend on your nationality. Many countries benefit from visa-free access for short stays. To verify if you need a visa and to apply for an eVisa, please consult the official Moroccan government portal:

www.acces-maroc.ma

This platform allows eligible travelers to apply for an electronic visa (eVisa) for tourism or business purposes.

EMERGENCY CONTACT & SECRETARIAT

For any assistance before or during your stay, please reach out to: UCHM Secretariat

+212 661 94 04 08

™ info@uchm.ma

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPANTS

ELECTRICITY

Electric power in Morocco is supplied at 220 volts / 50 Hz.

Standard European plugs with two round pins (type C and E) are used. If your devices use a different plug type or voltage, we recommend bringing a suitable adapter or converter.

TIME ZONE

Morocco operates on GMT+1 year-round.

TRANSPORTATION

Airport transfers can be arranged by your hotel or on request.

Taxis are available at the airport.

Ride-hailing services such as Careem and Heetch also operate in

Marrakech.

MOBILE & INTERNET

Local SIM cards (Orange, Inwi, Maroc Telecom) are available at the airport or in city shops.

Most hotels and restaurants offer free Wi-Fi.

WEATHER & DRESS CODE

In October, Marrakech experiences pleasant and mild weather, with average daytime temperatures between 25–30°C (77–86°F) and cooler evenings around 15–18°C (59–64°F).

Dress Code by Event:

Welcome Reception: Smart casual

Dinner & Folklore Show at Ali Belfalah: Casual

Gala Dinner & Award Ceremony: Black tie





ES SAADI MARRAKECH RESORT — HOTEL & PALACE

Located in the heart of the Hivernage district, the Es Saadi Marrakech Resort blends history, luxury, and Moroccan elegance across a vast 8-hectare estate. The complex includes a 5-star hotel, a prestigious palace, private villas, and a renowned casino — the oldest in Morocco.

The Es Saadi Palace, in particular, has hosted artists, and celebrities since the 1950s, offering suites decorated with zellij, marble, and traditional craftsmanship.

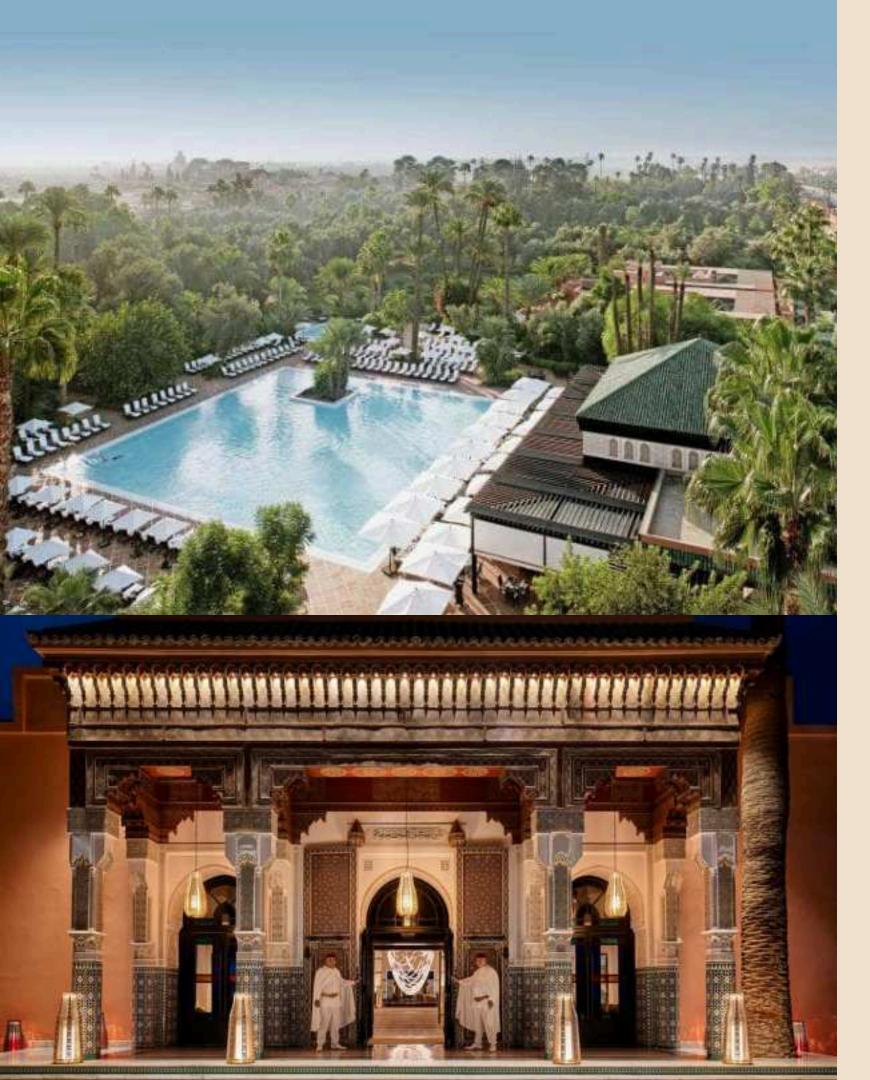
Guests enjoy lush gardens, a 3,000 m² spa, and direct views of the Atlas Mountains. With its prime location near both the Medina and Guéliz, Es Saadi is considered a cultural institution in Marrakech's hospitality scene.

DINNER & FOLKLORE SHOW ALI BELFALAH

Ali Belfalah is a renowned cultural and equestrian venue located on the outskirts of Marrakech. Known for its grand dinner shows and Arabian horse displays, the venue blends Moroccan folklore with spectacle.

Guests can experience fantasia performances, traditional music, and local cuisine in a setting designed to evoke Morocco's tribal and nomadic heritage.





LA MAMOUNIA

Once a legendary palace hotel, La Mamounia is a symbol of Moroccan elegance and hospitality, nestled just outside the ancient walls of Marrakech's Medina. With its majestic architecture, lush gardens, and refined interiors, it blends Moorish tradition with timeless luxury.

From its grand salons to its iconic gardens and terraces, La Mamounia offers a prestigious setting for high-level receptions, gala dinners, and exclusive cultural events.

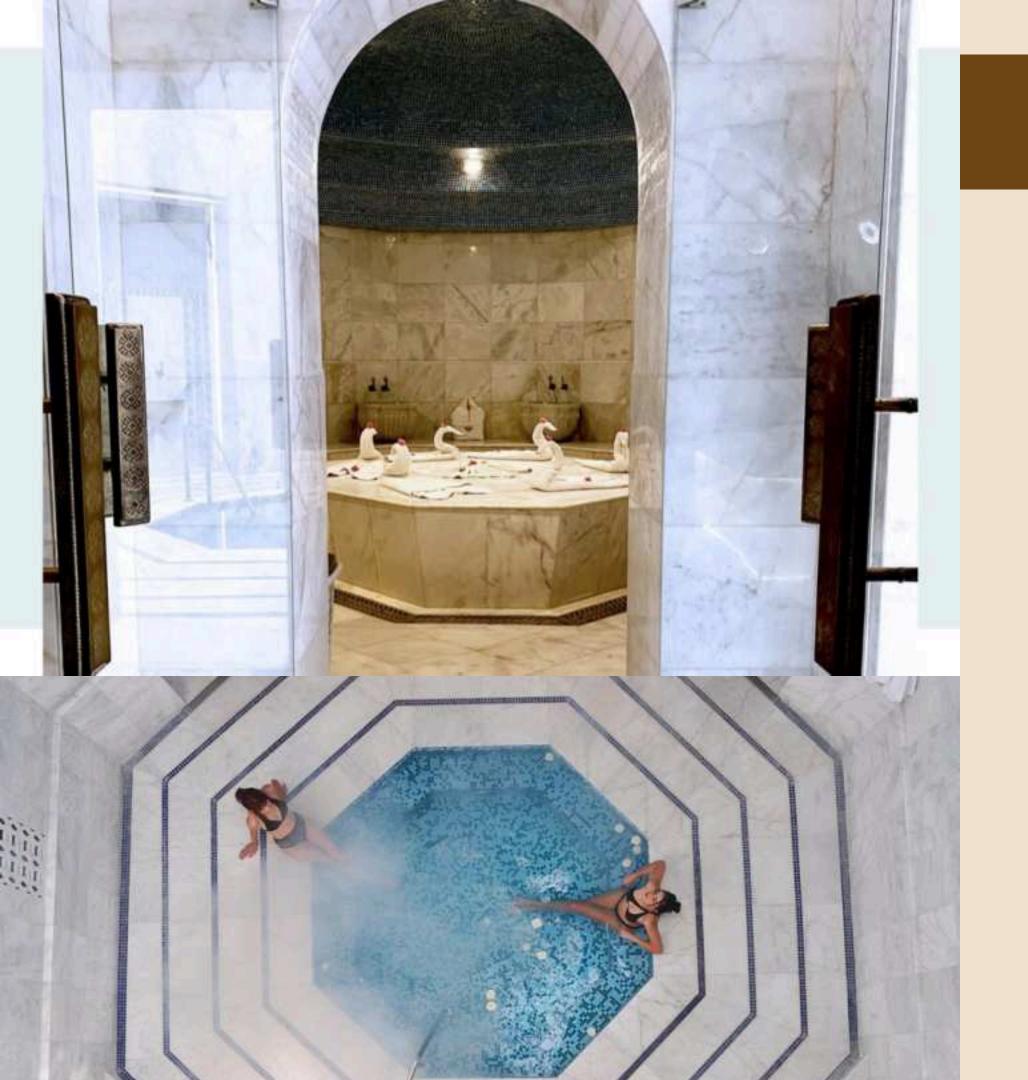
ROYAL GOLF MARRAKECH

Established in 1927 and frequented by Winston Churchill and King Hassan II, the Royal Golf Marrakech is one of Morocco's oldest golf courses.

It features 27 holes and is surrounded by mature trees—some nearly a century old—offering views of the Atlas Mountains.

The course combines history, elegance, and technical challenge, making it a favorite among international golf enthusiasts visiting Morocco.



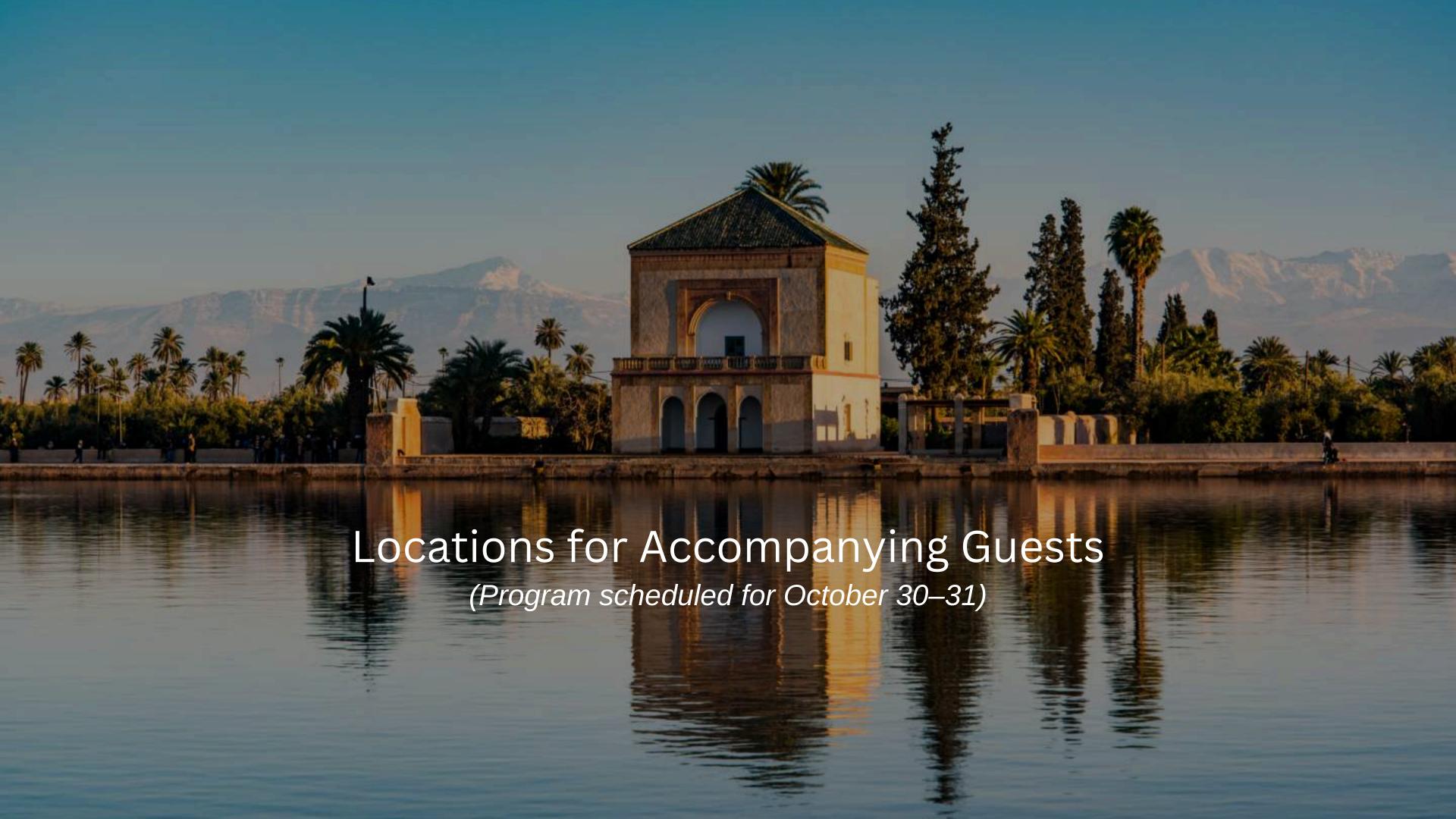


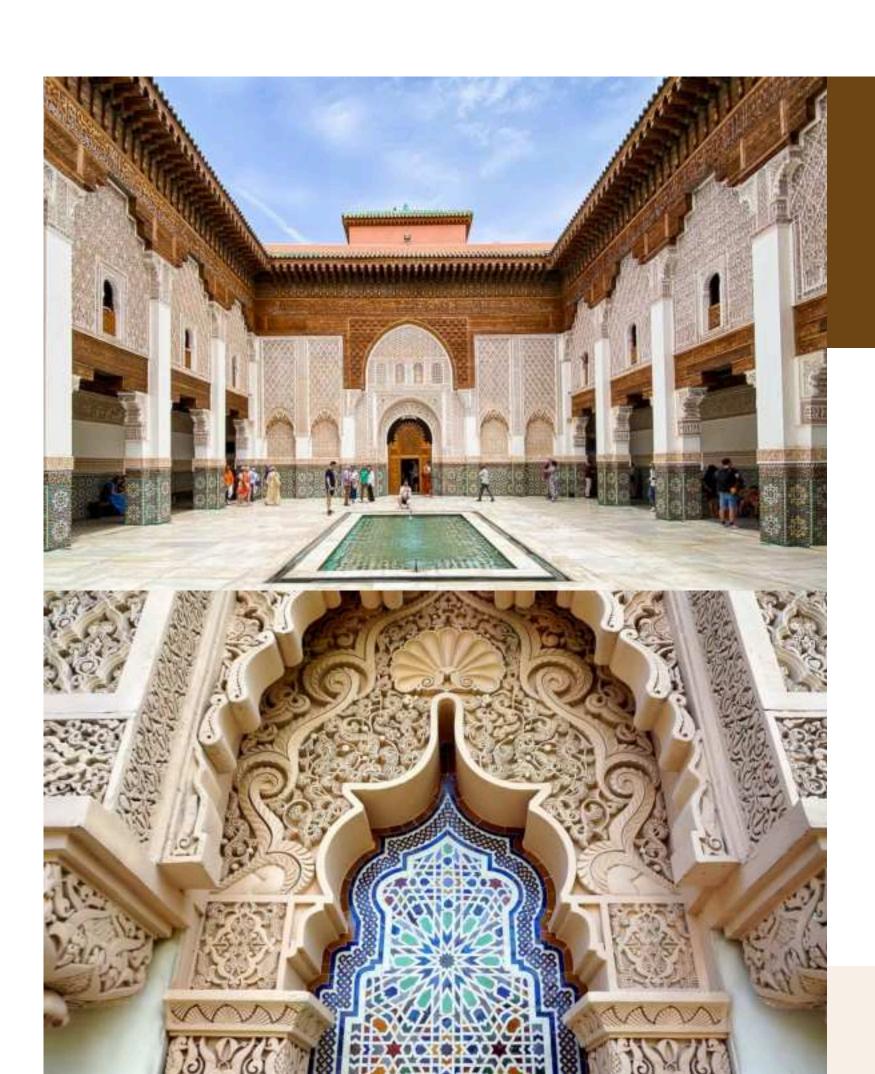
HAMMAM TARGA

Hammam Targa is a modern thermal and wellness complex situated in the Targa district, about 20 minutes from central Marrakech.

Combining Moroccan bathing traditions with spa-like amenities, the center includes separate sections for men and women, offering hammam rituals, scrubs, massages, and relaxation areas.

It attracts both locals and visitors seeking a more spacious and contemporary alternative to the cramped hammams of the Medina.



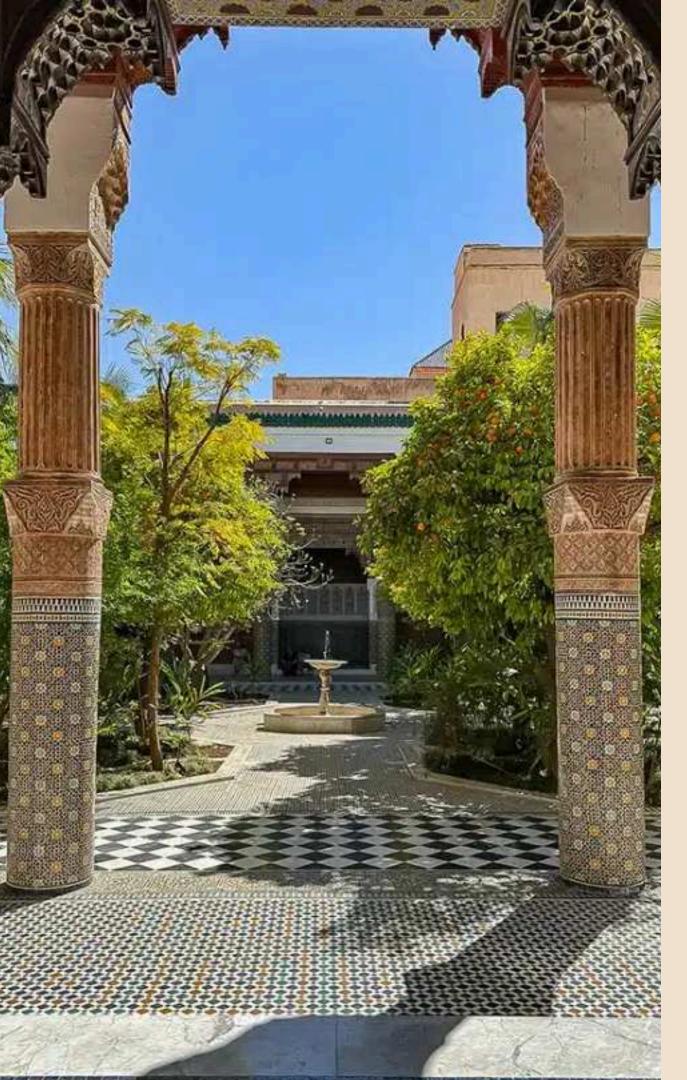


BEN YOUSSEF MOSQUE

Built in the 12th century by the Almoravids, the Ben Youssef Mosque stands as one of Marrakech's most historic and emblematic religious sites. Located in the heart of the old city, its presence is deeply rooted in the urban and spiritual fabric of the Medina.

The mosque once formed part of a larger complex alongside the famous Ben Youssef Madrasa, celebrated for its exquisite Andalusian-Moorish design.

Today, it continues to serve as an active place of worship and remains a central landmark for both locals and visitors navigating the Medina.



DAR EL BACHA - MUSÉE DES CONFLUENCES

Dar El Bacha, also known as the House of the Pasha, is an exquisite example of Moroccan architecture dating back to the early 20th century.

Once the residence of Thami El Glaoui, the Pasha of Marrakech, it was reopened in 2017 as the Musée des Confluences. The museum explores themes of coexistence and intellectual exchange across cultures.

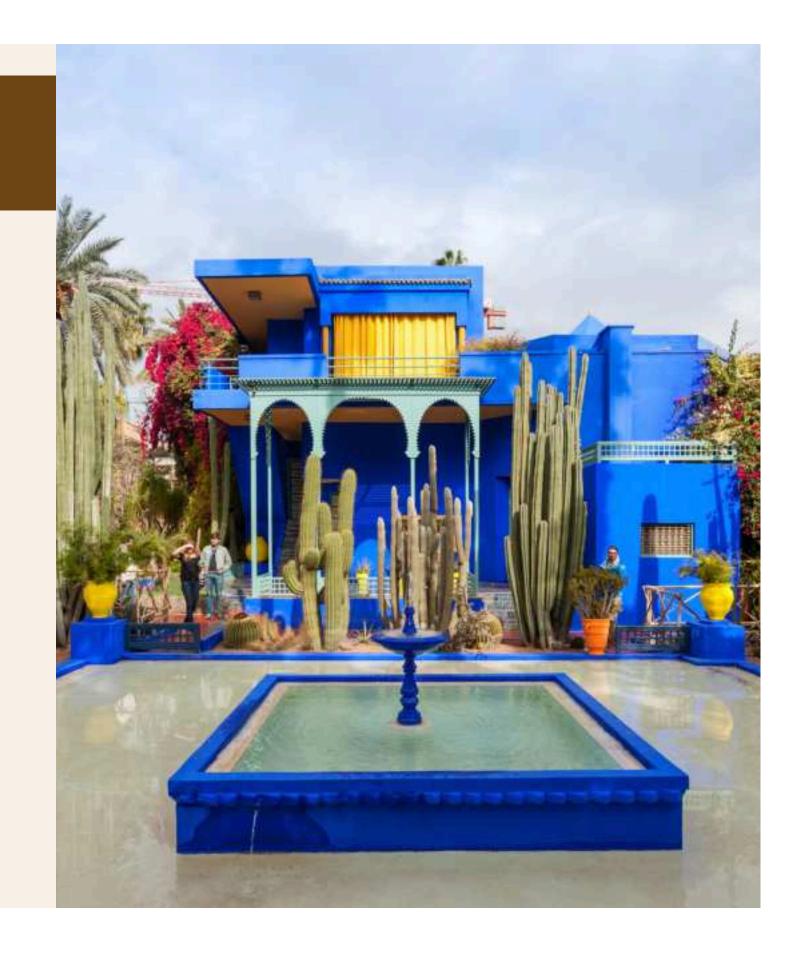
Highlights include Islamic manuscripts, antique objects, and rotating exhibitions, all set within a beautifully restored riad with lush courtyards.

JARDIN MAJORELLE

Nestled in the heart of Marrakech, the Jardin Majorelle is a botanical garden created by French painter Jacques Majorelle in the 1920s and later restored by Yves Saint Laurent and Pierre Bergé.

Spanning nearly one hectare, the garden houses over 300 plant species from five continents, including towering bamboo, cacti, and bougainvillea.

Its signature cobalt blue structures and art deco details make it one of the most photographed spots in Morocco. The garden attracts nearly 900,000 visitors annually, offering a serene escape from the city's bustle.





YVES SAINT LAURENT MUSEUM

Adjacent to the Jardin Majorelle, the Yves Saint Laurent Museum showcases the life and work of the iconic fashion designer who found lifelong inspiration in Morocco.

Opened in 2017, the museum spans over 4,000 square meters and features a permanent exhibition of YSL's creations, including sketches, runway pieces, and accessories.

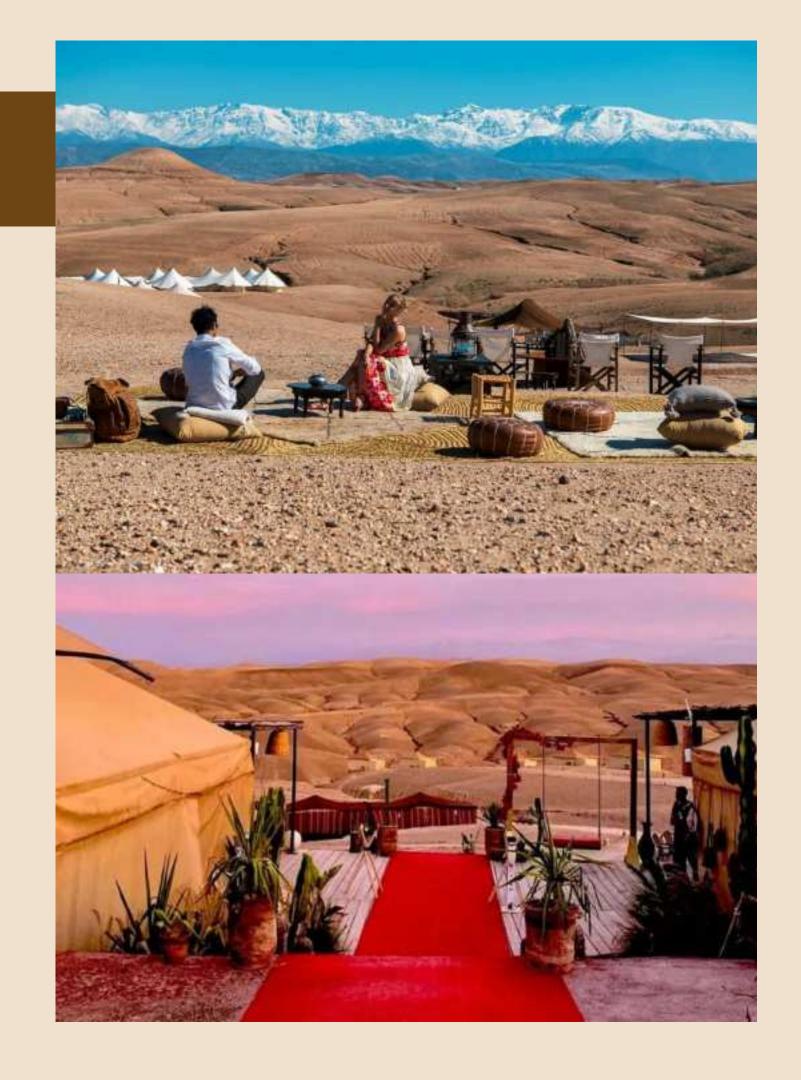
Designed by the French architectural firm Studio KO, the building is a modern homage to Moroccan aesthetics and craftsmanship.

AGAFAY DESERT & ATLAS MOUNTAINS

Located just 40 kilometers southwest of Marrakech, the Agafay Desert offers a stark, lunar-like landscape of rocky hills and golden plateaus.

Unlike the sandy Sahara, Agafay's charm lies in its arid beauty and panoramic views of the snow-capped Atlas Mountains in the distance.

Many travelers combine a visit to both: enjoying camel rides, quad biking, and stargazing in Agafay, then venturing into the Atlas for scenic hikes, Berber villages, and fresh mountain air.



MEDINA SOUKS OF MARRAKECH

The souks of Marrakech, located within the UNESCO-listed Medina, form one of the largest traditional markets in North Africa. These labyrinthine alleys are divided by trade: from vibrant textiles and handwoven rugs to brass lanterns and fragrant spices.

Negotiation is part of the experience, and many of the stalls are family-run, preserving centuries-old crafts. It's estimated that over 40,000 artisans operate within the Medina, making it a living economic and cultural hub.



