

# MOROCCO

Off road and road

May 20th - 30th May 2011



MOTORCYCLE TOURS

## OVERVIEW

This is a trip of a lifetime, come and ride with us in Morocco, off road, the journey starts in Spain, where we meet you in Malaga. This 10 day adventure will show you some of the highlights of Morocco and give you a chance to feel part of this vibrant and fascinating North African country, so close to Europe yet so different – let your senses run wild with the sounds, smells and views of the continent of - Africa.

The scenery is beautiful and spectacular in every way from the Atlas Mountains, rolling green hills, amazing snake passes to the red sand dunes of the Sahara desert – it's all waiting to be seen...

Stay in comfort and style on your way through Morocco, indulge in fascinating food and get a chance to meet the real Moroccan people. Our guide has spent many visits off the tourist routes, travelling in the desert, taking groups to the real Morocco, sleeping in the desert, you will get a chance to experience his first hand knowledge of this great country.

## OFF ROAD

This trip should only be undertaken by riders who have some competence of off road riding the routes have been designed for large adventure style bikes, the off road is varied, with loose grit, sand, rocks and other various types of surfaces to navigate.

Piste riding is fun and can be quick, but also some of the days can be long – we have pre booked hotels and must reach these each day before night fall, so you must also only come if you have an "open" mind and expect that you are not in Europe and you are off road in North Africa and things change and may also not be exactly what you imagined.

The country is vast, more than most people think, and once we are away from habitation we must look after ourselves and be prepared to help others.

Safety is a main concern for this trip, so all guides and support vehicle staff will carry satellite phones, first aid kits, we can not stress highly enough to understand that if you have an accident in these remote areas it will not be easy to get you quickly to any medical facility of any substance, so you will be advised to take the pace slowly and with in your capabilities.



## HIGHLIGHTS

- › Atlas mountains
- › Todra and Dades gorges
- › Tizi-n-Tichka pass – in the high Atlas mountains

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1 – Arrive to Malaga

Meet other riders, dinner together

### DAY 2 – Malaga - Chefouen in Morocco , 195 miles

We head down to Gibraltar before catching the ferry in Algeciras which will take us to Ceuta, a Spanish tax free enclave in North Africa. We cross over in to Morocco and take a road to the town of Chefouen on the edge of the Rif mountains. A 4 star hotel awaits you of the evening. Dinner is included.

### DAY 3 – Chefouen - Fes

Off road trails towards Fes, followed by road to Fes. A gentle start to Morocco.

### DAY 4 – Fes – Erfoud, via the Atlas Mountains, 300 miles,

We head South to the pine forests near Azrou – off road – we will re join the tarmac to take us over the Atlas and South towards Erfoud. 4 star hotel, dinner included.

### DAY 5 – Erfoud – Merzouga - Erfoud

Off road piste riding to Erg Chebbi and then try your hand at Sand riding if you wish. Back to same hotel.

### DAY 6 – Erfoud - Merzouga– desert day

Off road day exploring the desert deep in the South, a real adventure day.  
4 star hotel. Dinner included.

### DAY 7 – Merzouga – Dades Ride the Todra and Dades gorges

Today we cross the Jbel Oughat hills on our way to Dades. Off road day. Stay 4 star hotel, Dades, dinner included.

### DAY 8 – Dades – exploration in to the Atlas - Dades

Off road day exploring the area around the two gorges of Dades and Todra in the Atlas, a great day. The ride today is

- › Merzouga – visit the Erg Chebbi sand dunes
- › Meknes and Volubis – Roman ruins
- › Ceuta – Spain

truly spectacular, and the ride in the famous Todra and Dades gorges one that you will remember for along while to come. The scenery is varied and stunning. Stay same hotel, dinner is included.

### DAY 9 – Dades – Meknes

Big day – the highest passes at 10,000 feet, right over the Atlas, Off road from Dades heading North, to Agoudal then to Ouauriou then to El Kebaba to join the main road near Khenifra, before using the tarmac to take us to Meknes for the night 4 star hotel, dinner included.

### DAY 10 – Meknes – Ceuta, 220 miles via Volubis

If we leave the hotel at 8.30AM, with a stop at the ruins and no hanging around we will arrive to Ceuta for 6PM, see notes below. We have to reach the customs by 3PM, as we loose 2 hours with a time change and around 30 – 45 minutes at customs, making our arrival time to Ceuta around 6PM. Stay Ceuta , in the same paradore. When we started. Dinner included.

### DAY 11 – Ceuta – Malaga, 90 miles

Morning crossing from Ceuta to Algeciras, then to Malaga Arive Malaga 3PM, flights home in the evening.

**Back up support** - Bill, our specialist guide, has been leading trips out in to Morocco and the desert for many years, along with the other team members you will be in good hands The vehicle also has the capability to tow 2 bikes, via their front wheels.



## WHAT'S INCLUDED

- › 10 nights accommodation, in 4 star hotels in Morocco, with breakfast, private
- › facilities – 2 nights in Spanish Paradores
- › Guides –
- › Support / luggage vehicle in Morocco – with facility to carry a bike, tools, first aid
- › equipment
- › 10 evening dinners
- › End of tour gift
- › Route book
- › Ferry crossing from Spain to Morocco return

## PRICES – BOOKING

- › £1295 sharing with another rider, price per person, £350 supplement for a single room.
- › Deposit – £300 – none refundable. payment – a further £500 is due 3 months
- › before departure, and is none refundable, the remainder of the balance is due 8 weeks before departure. No refunds given after full payment is made.

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