

**SEVILLA- SAHARA  
29 APRIL 2020  
FERIA DE SEVILLA 5 DAYS**

**DEPARTURE DATE: April 29<sup>th</sup> , 2020**

**Wednesday APRIL 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 SEVILLA - CHEFCHAOUEN - MEKNES**

05:45 hrs. Assemble in Seville, Prado de San Sebastián

06:00 hrs Depart to Algeciras; get the return tickets for the ferry.

Board the ferry to Tanger Med, Morocco.

09:00 hrs Ferry leaves Algeciras. \*Make sure to bring your passport. During the journey you have to stamp your passport at the Moroccan police desk.

Upon arrival in Tanger Med we will travel to Chefchaouen, an unforgettable little BLUE town in the Rif mountains. Its blue and white houses form a labyrinth of vivid colors not to be missed.

Guided visit to points of interest.

Afterwards you will have some free time to eat and then travel to Meknes.

Arrival in Meknes and visit Bab el Mansur and the market.

Arrival to the hotel, Check in and dinner in the hotel.

**THURSDAY APRIL 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 MEKNES - MERZOUGA**

Breakfast and check out.

Depart for the south of Morocco to the Sahara desert, crossing the middle atlas –where you can see the wild apes- and the high Atlas. Stop on route to eat and continue to the oasis of Merzouga where you get your first taste of the Sahara. Its dunes stretch infinitely into the horizon and some rise more than 150 meters skyward.

Arrival to the desert.

In the evening camel trek in the dunes and free evening to enjoy the Sahara.

Dinner on haimas.

We spend the night in haimas (communal tents) in the desert.

**FRIDAY MAY 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 SAHARA TOTAL**

Early wake up call into the Erg Chigaga dunes for sunrise. We guarantee that the experience of a Saharan sunrise is well worth the journey. It is absolutely breathtaking. This is one of the highlights of the trip and a memorable way to start this day.

Breakfast

Half-day excursion in 4X4 to Merzouga and the Great Erg Chebi "Desert of Dunes of the Finest Sand in which we will see the virgin desert, we will pass by the small oasis visited by the Berber nomads, the hamada (desert of stones) and places where fossils of millions of years old are found. During this trip in 4x4 we will make the stops you want to take pictures, walk and observe anything that catches your attention during the trip.

Return by 4x4 to the kasbah.

Lunch included.

Free evening to enjoy the dunes of the Sahara.

Dinner.

After dinner we will depart FROM THE RECEPTION OF THE ALBERGUE for the north of Morocco overnight on route to Fez.

**SATURDAY MAY 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 MERZOUGA - FEZ**

Breakfast on route.

Arrival to Fez.

Morning Tour of the old medina of Fez with a local guide. The old Medina is a true labyrinth, with more than 9,400 streets, tall buildings, and winding and narrow pathways that allow little light to reach the floor. We will explore the mysteries and wonders that fill the city of Fez. Fez was founded in the IX century and boasts the oldest Medina in Morocco, as well as one of the oldest universities in the world. The city is divided into three parts, and still maintains traditions that were lost to the Occidental world decades ago, like the artisan hide tanning. Walking through the streets of Fez is like taking a trip back in time, where potters, founders, and artisans coexist with foreign visitors. The sights, sounds, and smells of Fez are unforgettable.

Check in and lunch at the hotel.

Free evening.

Free time for dinner in Fez (Optional dinner show)

**SUNDAY MAY 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 FEZ SEVILLA**

Breakfast at the hotel and check out.

Departure for sightseeing in the coastal village of Assilah.

Later we continue to Tanger Med where you will board the ferry to Algeciras.

Transfer to Seville and end of the tour.

## **PRICE PER PERSON IN DOUBLE / TRIPLE ROOM 309 €**

### **THE PRICE INCLUDES**

All transportation by private bus in Spain & Morocco with driver  
Tour guide from Seville  
Return Ferry ticket from Algeciras to Tanger Med and port taxes.  
1 night in Hotel Mounia 3\*, lunch and breakfast.  
1 night in Khaimas in the desert in Kasbah Le Touareg\*  
2 dinners & 1 lunch in Merzouga  
1 night in the Hotel Rif 4\* in Meknes, dinner and breakfast  
Camel ride to the dunes  
Half day Excursion to the sahara by 4x4  
Guided Tour of Chaouen & Fez with local guides  
Travel insurance

### **NOT INCLUDED**

Beverages of the meals

### **Tips**

Single room supplement 80 €

### **Passport Control**

It is obligatory to bring a valid passport that allows for more than one entrance into Spain.

Upon arrival to the port, you will be given a registration card for entrance to Morocco. Please fill in the information and give it to the police desk on board in order to receive your entry stamp.

It is very important that you stamp your passport along with the registration card before the ferry arrives to Morocco leaves the port. Your passport will be returned to you stamped by the police.

### **Visas**

**Please consult the LIST OF COUNTRIES to see if you need a visa to enter Morocco (Spaniards, Members of the EU, U.S. and Japanese citizens do not need visas).**

All citizens of non-EU countries should be sure that their passport allows for more than one entry into Spain in order to avoid problems with the border guards upon re-entry.

### **Bus**

For the tours starting in Seville. The bus will leave from "La Torre del Oro" at 06:00 AM. Please arrive 15 minutes early in order to check in.

### **Meals**

In Morocco there is vegetarian food, please inform the guide if you have any special dietary needs.  
4 dinners, 2 lunches and 3 breakfasts are included on the tour. All other meals are not included, although the guide will provide you with information on alternative options.  
Drinks are not included in any of the meals; you must pay the waiters directly.

### **Money**

Although the euro is accepted almost everywhere, Morocco's Money is the Dirham. Approx. Exchange rate: 1 euro = 10,50 Dirham

### **Safety Suggestions**

Don't use the word "Moro" as it offends the Moroccans. Use Moroccan or Marroquí.

Do not walk around by yourself at night; groups of 4 are better

Always ask before taking a picture of someone

Do not give out the particulars of your stay in the country (who, where, when)

### **Practical Information**

We suggest the use of the **petit taxis** (blue with a yellow stripe) to move around the city, they hold up to 3 people and have taxi meters. If the driver does not start the meter, you should remind him to do so. The average trip should not cost more than 1 €.

Take your swimsuit just in case you want to enjoy a Hammam or take a dip at the beach or in the hotel pool.

All tours will be conducted in Spanish

Be careful drinking tap water or drinks with ice cubes as it may provoke diarrhea or similar stomach problems

**Haggling:** divide the initial price by 4 and let the final price be decided by the vendor.

There are many vegetarian menus available in Morocco

Tips are not included in the prices and 10% is customary in restaurants and .50 € per bag for luggage handling

Alcoholic drinks are excessively expensive in restaurants so be aware. Also, it is illegal to drink any alcohol in the streets of Morocco.

Women traveling to Morocco are advised to wear discreet clothing

### **Alcohol and Tobacco**

Alcohol and Tobacco are fairly expensive in Morocco. We suggest that you buy these products in the duty-free shop onboard the ferry. Keep in mind that these items can be exchanged for items and souvenirs while in Morocco.

### **Money, travelers checks and credit cards**

**We recommend that you bring cash because some cash machines tend to take cards and not return them and traveler's checks are not always accepted.**

**Always ask before each purchase, especially in bars and restaurants.** Don't accept food or drinks that you have not ordered or without knowing the price.

**Haggling and Bargaining** are a big part of shopping in Morocco. However, there are basic prices of which you should be aware. Remember: they will always ask for a lot of Money at the beginning. Bargaining is the only way to get a good price.

### **At the end of the trip**

You will be asked to fill out a questionnaire in order to rate your experience with us and to help us improve our services by giving us your suggestions. We would appreciate your cooperation in filling out these questionnaires and turning them in to the Tour Leader upon completion.

### **CANCELLATION CHARGES:**

A fee of 15 € will apply to all cancellations once the flight is booked and the tour confirmed

Cancellations made up to 15 days before the departure time will receive a full refund of payment.

Cancellations made up to 10 days before the departure time will receive 95 % refund of payment.

Cancellations made up to 3 days before the departure time will receive 85 % refund of payment.

Cancellations made up to 2 days before the departure time will receive 75 % refund of payment.

Absences on departure or no show will not receive any refund

Please note that cancellations will affect to the final price and this will be revised according with the indicated prices above.



**ORGANIZATION OF THE TRIP:**

This trip is organized by Calín Asesores de Viajes CIAN 41810-3

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