

## **The Salt Road Trek - sample itinerary**

### **8 days / 7 nights - Hiking, Culture and History**

#### **Day 1 - Arrival in Marrakech**

- Pick up at airport, transfer to a traditional riad in the Medina
- Free time to relax or explore the old souks
- Welcome dinner and tour briefing
- Overnight in Marrakech

#### **Day 2 - Travel Marrakech to Todra Valley**

After breakfast, we leave Marrakech early and drive towards the southeast of Morocco.

- Crossing the High Atlas Mountains
- Scenic views of valleys, kasbahs, and desert landscapes

Arrival in Todra Valley, surrounded by palm groves and red cliffs.  
Overnight in a beautiful traditional guesthouse in Todra Valley.

#### **Day 3 - Ait Hani to Salt Mine to Tamtatoucht (hike 10km)**

- Transfer to Ait Hani village, a remote and authentic Berber village
- Visit the ancient salt mine, once a key stop for caravan trade
- Start hiking along the ancient Salt Road

Hiking details

- Distance - approx 10 km
- Terrain - mountain paths riverbeds, villages. A sturdy pair of hiking boots/trainers are advised
- Landscapes - cliffs, oases, high plateaus and lush green valleys

Arrival in Tamtatoucht village, where life still follows old traditions.  
Dinner with locals and cultural exchange.  
Overnight in a local guesthouse.

#### **Day 4 - Tamtatoucht to Tatarakhssa Gorge to Todra Gorges (Hike 17km)**

- A spectacular hiking day.
- Walk through Tatarakhssa Gorge, wild and dramatic
- Continue hiking toward the legendary Todra Gorges

Hiking Details

- Distance - approx 17 km
- One of the most scenic trekking days of the trip

Arrival in Todra Gorges, with towering limestone walls.  
Overnight in Todra Gorges

#### **Day 5 - Todra Valley to Tinghir (Hike 14km)**

A gentle and cultural hiking day through oasis landscapes.

- Hike along the Todra River
- Walk through palm groves, fields, and small villages

## Highlights

- Picnic stop in Tinghir Valley
- Visit Ikelaln Mosque, one of the oldest mosques in the valley
- Explore the Kasbah of Asfalou
- Visit Ait Lhaj Amar or the Jewish Mellah of Tinghir

After the hike, drive about 1 hour to Iknouen village in the Anti-Atlas mountains. Overnight in a small village guesthouse.

## Day 6 - Crossing the Anti-Atlas and Caravan Route to Nkoub

A day dedicated to the great caravan history.

- Drive across the Anti-Atlas mountains
- Follow sections of the ancient caravan route
- Explanation of how salt, gold, and goods travelled from Morocco to Timbuktu
- Stops for panoramic views and photos of the Anti-Atlas landscapes

Arrival in Nkoub village, famous for its fasbahs and desert atmosphere. Overnight in Nkoub.

## Day 7 - Nkoub to Marrakech

After breakfast, drive back to Marrakech.

- Long but scenic journey
- Final evening to relax or enjoy a farewell dinner in the Medina

Overnight in Marrakech.

## Day 8 - Departure

After breakfast, transfer to the airport.

End of tour

## Why this Tour is special

- Follows an authentic historical salt caravan route
- Combines hiking, culture, history and landscapes
- Remote villages rarely visited by tourists
- Deep connection with Berber traditions and nomadic heritage
- Perfect for travellers who want to understand Morocco and not just visit it

**Cost per person starts at €1230**, all inclusive (including as much bottled water as is needed). This is a sample itinerary, so it can be adapted to suit your needs. Costs will alter accordingly.

Discounts are available of up to 20%, depending on size of group and time of year.

To show respect to the people and areas we will visit, no alcoholic drinks will be provided or can be purchased by you. On the last night in Marrakech, you may purchase at your own expense.

## What is not included

International flights

Visas

Alcoholic drinks (not allowed)

Tips for drivers, guides, porters

First and last night meals

Extra drinks and food ordered at your discretion, at scheduled stops.