Join us for a journey to the fascinating Kingdom of Morocco and a three-night visit to Paris! Learn about the unique history and culture of Morocco, while considering the French influence in this part of North Africa.

Beginning in Casablanca, we travel to the cities of Meknès, and Fez before venturing into the eastern desert to see the oases and Kasbahs of Erfoud, Zagora, and Ouarzazate, ending in the famed city of Marrakech. For 14 days you traverse the exotic and extraordinary landscape of Morocco on the western extremity of the Arab and Muslim world, immersing yourself in its sights, sounds, smells, and sensations. Wander through the labyrinthine medinas of Marrakech and Fez; take a day-trip to the beautiful city of Essaouira on the Atlantic coast; explore the astonishingly rich architectural and cultural history of Morocco’s medieval cities and Berber Kasbahs; and ride with us into the stunning and beautiful arid desert landscapes of the Draa Valley and Merzouga.

Your journey to Morocco ends with a flourish as we spend three nights in Paris, where we visit the Grand Mosque, the Museum of the Arab World, and then have a full day free to spend however you wish in this beautiful city!

The only way to truly learn about a place is by being there. Join us in Morocco and Paris!

~Live and Learn~

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Registration Form

Please register for

✓ Morocco and Paris: March 1-March 17, 2016; $5,499

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✓ Reserve a room for two people (standard package).
✓ Request a single room ($768 supplement).
✓ I am interested in a roommate. Please let me know if one becomes available.

Payment Information

✓ Enclosed is a check payable to UW-Madison for the trip deposit of $1,000/person.

*Note: We accept credit cards for all subsequent payments. Future payment schedule and details will be included in your registration confirmation packet.

Your deposit is nonrefundable. We urge you to include trip cancellation insurance to recover your costs if you must cancel your plans to join us. Travel insurance information will be included in your registration confirmation packet.

If you have a disability and desire accommodations, please advise us when you register. Requests are confidential. Programs are designed to be accessible. A walking pace will be necessary for maximum enjoyment of this journey, but no extraordinary physical exertion will be required of anyone.

Price

$5,499. Price includes roundtrip international airfare from Chicago, international airfare from Morocco to France, all ground transportation in Morocco and France, all lodging, daily breakfasts and most other meals, all entry fees, all transfers, all guides and services. Tips and drinks are extra.

Visas are not required for U.S. citizens to visit Morocco or Paris.

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General Information

As with all of our trips, everyone is welcome to join us. There will be the usual amount of tourist walking as we explore the markets, mosques and souks of the Moroccan cities; and the palaces and desert oases. The stamina, balance, and willingness to maintain a group walking pace will be necessary for maximum enjoyment of this journey, but no extraordinary physical exertion will be required of anyone.

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Itinerary

March 1—Depart USA

March 2—CASABLANCA

Arrival at Casablanca Mohammed V airport and transfer to the hotel.

March 3—CASABLANCA to FEZ

After breakfast enjoy a sightseeing tour of Casablanca, the business capital of the kingdom. You’ll see the Medina, Mohammed V square, United Nations square, the Central Market, the Habbous quarter and the Royal Palace, with entrance into the fantastic Hassan II mosque.

After lunch depart for Fez visiting the imperial city of Meknès for a tour of the “Moroccan Versailles” founded at the end of the 17th century by Moulay Ismail, a contemporary of Louis XIV; then it’s on to Volubilis for a tour of the Roman ruins before arriving in Fez.

March 4—FEZ

After breakfast the whole day will be devoted to discovering the oldest of the Imperial Cities, Fez; the symbolic heart of Morocco. We’ll explore the medieval medina—one of the largest living medieval cities in the world—to discover the famous souks where craftsmen still work in age-old traditions, and visit Moulay Idriss Mausoleum and the Kairouine Mosque.

March 5—FEZ

Today enjoy another opportunity to explore this fantastic city. You’ll have free time to return to the medina, or wander wherever you desire.

March 6—FEZ to ERFOUD

This morning we depart for Erfoud through the beautiful Middle Atlas Mountains past the fortified village of Midelt, arriving in the desert town of Erfoud for a sunset camel ride.

March 7—ERFOUD

Today you’ll enjoy a half-day excursion to the stunning Merzouga dune fields.

March 8—ERFOUD to ZAGORA

Today we’ll travel further into the desert via Tansikht and Merzouga dune fields.

March 9—ZAGORA to OUARZAZATE

After a tour of Zagora we depart for Ouarzazate along a magnificent desert route punctuated by the oases and kasbahs of the Draa Valley.

March 10—OUARZAZATE to MARRAKECH

Departing Ouarzazate we travel northwest towards the famed city of Marrakech, the second oldest imperial city in Morocco.

March 11—MARRAKECH

Spend an entire day devoted to exploring, Marrakech, the “Pearl of the South.” We’ll visit the famous Saadian Tombs, Menara Gardens, Koutoubia mosque, Bahia Palace, the souks and the famous Jamaa El Fna square.

March 12—MARRAKECH

Today you’ll take a full-day excursion to the beautiful seaside town of Essaouira. Famed for her raparnts on the ocean wall and lovely buildings, it is also the center of the cabinet maker’s craft.

March 13—MARRAKECH

Your last day in Marrakech is completely unscheduled so that you can break away and explore this fascinating city on your own terms.

March 14—MARRAKECH to PARIS

Today you’ll depart Morocco for three nights in Paris.

March 15—PARIS

Visit the Grand Mosque and the Arab World Institute.

March 16—An entirely free day in PARIS!!

March 17—PARIS to USA

After breakfast we’ll transfer to the airport for your return flight to the U.S.

Hotels

Casablanca—Imperial Casablanca
hotelimperialcasablanca.com

Fez—Les Merinides
lesmerinides.com

Erfoud—Xaluca
xaluca.com/en/hotel/erfoud/

Zagora—Riad Lamane
riadlamane.com

Ouarzazate—Berbere Palace
hotel-berberepalace.com

Marrakech—Les Jardins de l’Agdal
marrakech-ma.html

Paris—Best Western Premier Opera Fau
hotel-opera-faubourg-paris.com/