

TREKKING IN STYLE IN THE HIGH ATLAS MOUNTAINS OF MOROCCO

5 NIGHTS IN THE MOUNTAINS



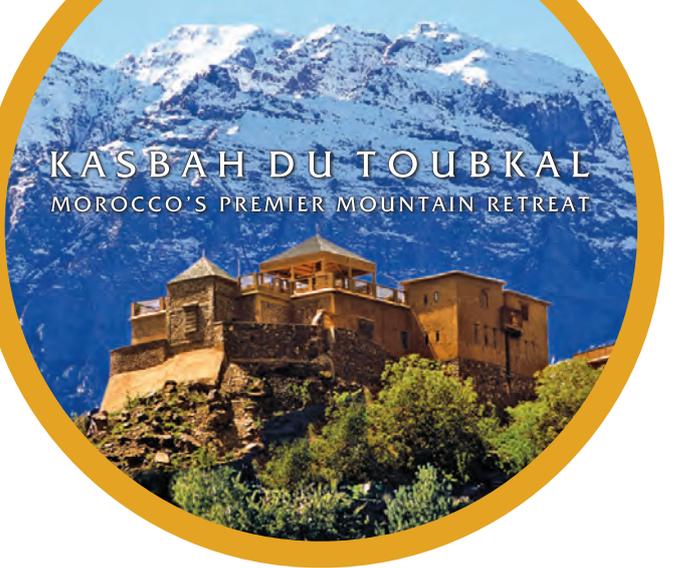
TREKKING IN STYLE is a new concept in trekking that allows visitors to stay in luxury accommodation without all of the hardships traditionally associated with trips to this spectacular region. Our *Trekking in Style* package also provides each couple with their own personal mountain guide who will be on hand for the duration of your stay to help with planning treks. You can choose to walk as little or as much as you like!

Guests will stay on a full board basis in our luxury accommodation at Dar Imlil (or the Kasbah) in the trailhead village of Imlil (just 40 miles from Marrakech, but seemingly a thousand miles from the hubbub of the city!), and also in our Trekking Lodge in the remote Azzaden Valley where peace and tranquillity prevail.

All trekking is fully supported with a mule and muleteer to carry your luggage whenever required.



KASBAH DU TOUBKAL
MOROCCO'S PREMIER MOUNTAIN RETREAT



“HOW MANY MOUNTAIN REFUGES in the Alps offer rose water to sprinkle on your hands and face after a hard day’s hike? If that and other traditional Berber touches sound tempting, then look no further...than the Kasbah du Toubkal’s recently opened three-bedroomed lodge.”

Tala Skari, TIME Magazine



The High Atlas Mountains

The High Atlas Mountains, which dominate the skyline to the south of Marrakech, have always played an important role for the city, not least with regard to commerce. Whilst Marrakech is in itself a fascinating city, a whole new experience awaits those who venture south into the mountains.

With several peaks above 4000 metres, the Western High Atlas is part of a larger chain of mountains that spreads from the Atlantic Coast in the west to Tunisia in the east. The mountains are home to the indigenous Berber people who have inhabited Morocco for at least 5000 years. The Berbers live in small clusters of earthen adobe houses which cling precipitously to mountainsides and are often only accessible by mule or foot.

Our treks take us from the village of Imlil along footpaths and mule tracks which mount through the lush, irrigated terraces, apple orchards and walnut groves to other villages where you will have a glimpse into a way of life that has barely changed for centuries, and where traditional values and hospitality have been largely unaffected by the outside world.

ITINERARY



Day 1

Private transfer from Marrakech Menara Airport or your accommodation in Marrakech to Imlil (approximately 90 minutes) where you will meet your personal mountain guide and have the opportunity to discuss your preferences for walks and treks. Depending on your arrival time, there will be the option of an introductory walk in the area. Dinner and luxury accommodation at Dar Imlil will be provided.

Day 2

A day to relax and enjoy free time in the Imlil area, or a chance to explore the Imlil valley with your personal mountain guide. This can be separate morning and afternoon walks or one full day walk. Alternatively, you may wish to venture further afield to an outlying valley. A picnic lunch will be provided if required or lunch will be served at Dar Imlil. Dinner and luxury accommodation at Dar Imlil.



Day 3

A supported trek of 3-4 hours' duration* with guide, mule and muleteer to our remote trekking lodge in the Azzaden Valley, a beautiful setting barely touched by the modern way of life. A picnic lunch en route with dinner and luxury accommodation at Azzaden Trekking Lodge is provided. You may wish to enjoy a relaxing hammam (steam bath) on arrival.

* longer routes available

Day 4

After breakfast, a day to explore the stunning Azzaden Valley with your personal mountain guide. There are several treks of varying lengths to choose from. You may choose a moderate walk amongst the villages of the Azzaden Valley or a taxing 7-hour circular route passing the Lepiney refuge hut and the Tizi n'Tzikert col at 2930 metres, or indeed anything in between. Other options of a similar length include the slightly easier and very beautiful 7-hour circular walk passing the cols Tizi n'Teouti at 2450 metres and Tizi n'Tougdalt at 2700 metres. A picnic lunch en route will be provided on full day walks, otherwise lunch will be served at the lodge. Dinner and luxury accommodation at Azzaden Trekking Lodge.

Day 5

After breakfast, depart Azzaden Trekking Lodge and trek back to Imlil via a route of your choice with your personal mountain guide. A picnic lunch en route will be provided. Dinner and luxury accommodation at Dar Imlil.

Day 6

After breakfast, depart Imlil and return by private transfer to Marrakech Menara Airport or to your accommodation in Marrakech.



COSTS



Trip reference: DLD

Return journey from Marrakech to Imlil by private transfer for two people sharing a room on a full board basis throughout the five-night trip (excluding flights and insurance):

888 euro per person

571 euro single supplement

Included in the price...

- Private transfer from Marrakech to Imlil and return journey on day of departure.
- The services of a qualified guide and muleteer for the duration of your stay in the mountains.
- All food and soft drinks on a full board basis, commencing with lunch or evening meal on Day 1 and ending with breakfast on Day 6. (Please feel free to bring your own alcoholic drinks if you wish.)
- The use of a private hammam when staying at all accommodation in the mountains.
- All taxes include a 5% levy to the Village Association (further details on request).
- An upgrade to Kasbah du Toubkal may be available in lieu of accommodation at Dar Imlil (further details on request).
- All accommodation approximately 1800 metres above sea level.



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