

# Know before you go Morocco



**Population:** 36.9 Million | **Currency:** Moroccan Dirham dh (MAD) | **Capital City:** Rabat



**Official languages**  
Arabic and Tmazight



**Greeting**  
Salaam  
Alaikom



**Most popular city for expats and tourists**  
Marrakech and Agadir



**National animal**  
Barbary lion



**Tipping**  
While tipping isn't mandatory in Morocco, rounding up the bill and leaving tips of 5-15% at restaurants and cafes is standard practice



**Famous national food**  
Cous Cous, Tagine, Harira

## Cost of living & travel in Marrakech



- **Standard bus ticket:** 4 MAD
- **Daily (24hr) pass for all transport:** 100,000 MAD
- **Taxi fare:** 7 MAD (initial charge); 5 MAD (per km)



- **Standard pint of beer:** 30 – 50 MAD
- **3-course meal for 2 people:** 270 – 370 MAD



- **Typical hotel for 2 adults:** 421 MAD (per night)
- **Average rent for 1-bedroom apartment:** 3,595 – 4,480 MAD (per month)



- **Doctor's visit:** 230 MAD

Costs are based on average in Marrakech, Morocco in July 2021; costs will vary from region to region.

## Celebrating Moroccan culture



**National holidays**  
Enthronement on 30th July,  
Green March Day on 6th November,  
Independence Day on 18th November



**Notable landmarks**  
Hasan II Mosque, Djemma el-Fna Square,  
Bahia Palace

**National sport**  
Football

