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A World Apart

The story of travel involves more than a ticket and a passport. It should weave together discovery, education and humanity, the best elements of any compelling tale. Your personal travel story begins with our commitment to delivering authentic experiences with local people.

The incomparable value of your journey lies in the personalized care you receive from your Travel Director and the knowledge you gain from expert guides and lecturers, who call this area home.

By eliminating logistical worries, your multilingual Travel Director allows you to immerse yourself comfortably in your surroundings. This high-caliber professional makes you feel safe and important by creating a convivial, welcoming atmosphere.

The other important characters in this story are the guides and lecturers, whose regional expertise shines in their insider perspective and commentary.

From shaded souks to centuries-old squares to the stunning stretch of the Atlas Mountains, become intimately engaged in the unique rhythms and scenes of Morocco, adding another memorable chapter to the rich story of your life.

Above: Marrakech medina | Cover photo: Medina street

Inspiring Moments

- Thrill to **Morocco's** captivating blend of African, Arab and European cultures.
- Encounter the beating heart of Marrakech in **Jemaa el-Fna square.**
- Marvel at **Casablanca's Hassan II Mosque**, an architectural wonder.
- Lose yourself in the lush beauty of Marrakech's **tranquil gardens.**
- Explore Rabat's Islamic ruins and splendid **Hassan Tower.**
- Visit with a **Berber family** during an outing to the Atlas Mountains.
- Savor delicious cuisine and music at a **traditional Moroccan feast.**



Dear Johns Hopkins Alumni and Friends,

Join us on an eight-night adventure through Morocco, an exotic kingdom that has lured traders and explorers for centuries. We'll explore bustling bazaars and legendary landmarks, immersing you in the sights, sounds and tantalizing cuisine of this spectacular land.

Begin in Marrakech where serene gardens meld into red-earthen cityscapes. Witness ancient architecture; visit tangled souks, pungent with spices; and listen to melodic calls to prayer. Continue to Casablanca, a symbol of Morocco's bygone era and home to the striking Hassan II Mosque, and discover the cultural highlights of Rabat, the gentle capital city. From its beguiling walled medinas to its hospitable people, Morocco will dazzle and delight!

This trip combines the security, ease and value of group travel with opportunities for independent exploration. Space on this exclusive journey is limited, so make your reservations today!

Sincerely,

Marguerite I. Jones

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Rabat





Ben Youssef Medersa

Day 1 | In Transit

Depart your gateway city for Marrakech, Morocco. 🌍

Day 2 | Marrakech, Morocco

Transfer ➡ to the Sofitel Marrakech Palais Imperial.

Kick off your Moroccan adventure during a Welcome Reception tonight.

Day 3 | Marrakech

Enrichment: Moroccan History. From the Berber dynasty to modern day Morocco, gain insight into the fascinating history of this remarkable country.

Discovery: Exploring the Monuments of Marrakech. Exotic Marrakech is a melting pot of African, Arabian and European cultures. Begin today's walking tour at Ben Youssef Medersa, a Quranic learning center with elaborate wooden latticework. Then step into the city's honeycomb souks to experience the pulse of local life. These shaded, maze-like markets are a cacophony of sounds and colors, where stalls display olives, nuts, rainbow-hued spices and vials of potions. Emerge from the souks and thrill to the ambience of Jemaa el-Fna, the immense main square that is home to artists, food stalls, dancers, snake charmers, storytellers and musicians. Finally, visit Dar el Bacha Palace to admire its carved cedarwood and tilework.

Delight your palate during a delicious lunch.

Free Time: The afternoon is yours to enjoy Marrakech. Perhaps return to the souks to purchase spices or leather goods, or simply settle near the square with a sweet mint tea.

Celebrate the day over a dinner of traditional Moroccan cuisine.

Day 4 | Marrakech

Discovery: Gardens and Bahia Palace.

Relish the tranquil Jardin Majorelle, a peaceful oasis bursting with flora, reflecting pools and vivid cobalt architecture. Visit the nearby Yves Saint Laurent Museum, named after the genius designer who lived in Marrakech for more than 40 years. The museum features an extensive collection of his haute couture and accessories. Continue to the 19th-century Palais Bahia. Built by architect El Mekki for Si Moussa, the elaborate palace boasts luxurious apartments, mosaic floors and serene gardens, perfect for a relaxing stroll. Next, witness the beautiful 12th-century Koutoubia Mosque, a blend of Moorish and Islamic architecture. One of Marrakech's most familiar symbols, the mosque is easily recognized by its minaret that towers 253 feet!

Enrichment: Moroccan Culture. Learn how a rich tapestry of Arab, European and African influences, religions and traditions created Morocco's captivating culture.

Day 5 | Marrakech | Atlas Mountains

Discovery: Atlas Mountains. Journey outside of Marrakech through a dramatic



Terraced fields of the Atlas Mountains

landscape to the gorgeous Atlas Mountains. Visit an authentic Berber settlement. Rich with history, the Berber civilization reaches back more than eight millennia. Today, most Berbers continue to herd livestock and use age-old farming methods, living lives closely intertwined with the land. Meet a Berber family in their traditional home. Learn about their beguiling traditions and culture over authentic homemade Berber bread — called *khobz* — and sweet Moroccan mint tea. During your outing, enjoy lunch surrounded by a stunning landscape of terraced fields, mountains, red earth and olive trees.

Day 6 | Marrakech

AHI Connects: Arabic Calligraphy and Moroccan Cuisine. Indulge your inner artist during a calligraphy lesson with a local expert and try reproducing the beautiful patterns, lines and curves! Then treat your senses to the aromas and flavors of Moroccan cuisine. Walk through the souks and medina with a guide, sampling almonds, dried fruits and other delectable goodies. Afterward, enjoy a cooking lesson.

Free Time: The afternoon is yours for exploring the wonders of Marrakech. You may wish to visit the Saadian Tombs, home to 60 tombs and over 100 gardens, or wander around Jemma el-Fna with a refreshing orange juice made from local blood oranges.

Join your fellow travelers for dinner.

Day 7 | Marrakech

Free Time: Enjoy a full day at leisure.

Discovery: Moroccan Banquet. Gather



for a delicious, authentic dinner accompanied by music. Traditional Moroccan melodies often feature appealing rhythms and lyrics created by a mix of wind and string instruments.

Day 8 | Marrakech | Casablanca

Transfer to Casablanca this morning.

Discovery: Casablanca Tour. Explore cosmopolitan Casablanca. Visit the Hassan II Mosque, one of Morocco's most spectacular religious buildings, and admire its richly decorated interior and imposing minaret that stands at nearly 700 feet tall. Experience Casablanca's vibe and distinctive Mauresque architecture at its central piazza, Place Mohammad V. Then see the façade and stained-glass windows of the Church of Notre-Dame de Lourdes.

After lunch, check in to the Sofitel Casablanca Tour Blanche.

Free Time: Enjoy leisure time in Casablanca.

Raise a toast to Morocco and celebrate your adventure at a Farewell Reception.

INCLUDED FEATURES

Accommodations

(with baggage handling)

- **6 nights** in Marrakech, Morocco, at the deluxe Sofitel Marrakech Palais Imperial Hotel.
- **2 nights** in Casablanca at the deluxe Sofitel Casablanca Tour Blanche.

Transfers

- Deluxe motor coach transfers during the Land Program, plus baggage handling.

Extensive Meal Program

- 7 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 3 dinners, including tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.
- Opportunities to sample authentic cuisine and local flavors.

Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history:
 - Encounter storied sites in Marrakech.
 - Witness serene gardens, the Yves Saint Laurent Museum and Bahia Palace.
 - Journey to the Atlas Mountains and engage with a Berber family in a village.
 - Learn calligraphy and taste local cuisine.
 - Delight in a traditional Moroccan feast.
 - Join a tour of Casablanca.
 - Discover Rabat's inspiring treasures.
-  **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.



UNESCO World Heritage

1. **Medina of Marrakech**
2. **Rabat, Modern Capital and Historic City: a Shared Heritage**



Day 9 | Rabat | Casablanca

Discovery: Rabat Walking Tour. View the impressive façade and landscaped gardens of the Royal Palace, the residence of Morocco's royalty. Next, witness two notable treasures: the Mausoleum of Mohammad V and the inspiring Hassan Tower. Continue to Kasbah des Oudaias, a peaceful neighborhood with whitewashed houses; then visit the Citadel of Chellah, an enclave that once thrived as a port. Today, the grounds are filled with Roman ruins, Islamic artifacts, gardens and a doorway decorated with Arabic calligraphy.

Day 10 | In Transit

Transfer  to the airport for the return flight  to your gateway city.

Note: *Itinerary may change due to local conditions.*

 *Flights and*  *transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.*

A Note About Activity Levels

We want you to have a comfortable and enjoyable experience. That's why we have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program's physical expectations. Depending on the excursion, more leisurely alternatives may be available. Please call or visit our website to review the itinerary for full details about our activity levels.

Excursions on this program require:

- ▶ walking on unpaved paths and/or uneven surfaces
- ▶ getting on/off motor coaches



Sofitel Marrakech Palais Imperial Hotel



AHI Travel Expertise

From your reservation to your return home, we are here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

Before you go:

- ▶ **Travel Consultants** | These experts stand ready to answer your questions about activities, meals, accommodations and more as they guide you through the reservation process.
- ▶ **Passenger Service Representative** | Once you have reserved your spot, enjoy personalized assistance from this specialist, your one point of contact who will help you with everything from arranging flights to booking elective activities to fulfilling special requests.
- ▶ **Travel Information** | Receive extensive destination information and travel tips compiled by our travel-savvy team to prepare you fully for your journey.

Once you arrive:

On the ground, three layers of top-quality professionals offer their insiders' perspective. From suggesting the best café or pub to sharing a laugh over the stories of the day, our dedicated team takes your adventure to the next level.

- ▶ **Travel Director** | Throughout your journey, you will be in the care of a seasoned AHI travel professional who will manage all the logistics, allowing you to relax and simply soak up the ambience. Resourceful, knowledgeable and attentive, your Travel Director helps to ensure you enjoy an unforgettable travel experience.
- ▶ **Expert Guides** | Who better to show you around than the people who live there? We've specially selected informed and enthusiastic local professional guides who understand the needs of our educated and curious travelers. Warm and genuine, they're ready to share their passion for their country with you.
- ▶ **Lecturers** | Coming from all walks of life, our entertaining local lecturers open your eyes to history and current events. The breadth of their knowledge deepens your appreciation for the region and its heritage.



Sofitel Casablanca Tour Blanche



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CASABLANCA**



Our travel experts have carefully selected these deluxe properties for their prime locations. They are ideally located for exploring the region's renowned landmarks, while providing opportunities to immerse yourself in local life. Of utmost importance is the superior quality of the services, amenities and accommodations, allowing you to enjoy your stay fully.

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I/we authorize you to make my/our reservations as follows:

Land Program and AHI FlexAir

☐ I/we reserve the Land Program and request the AHI FlexAir to Marrakech,
Morocco, with a return from Casablanca to depart from:

Departure City

Land Program

☐ I/we will make my/our own air arrangements and transfers.

Single Accommodations

☐ I prefer single accommodations at an additional \$745 (limited availability).
☐ I request assistance in securing a roommate but will accept a single, if one is
available at this time, and pay the single supplement. Should a roommate be
found, I understand the supplement will no longer apply.

Reservations are subject to availability and processed on a first-come, first-served
basis. Reservations to be paid in full by **January 5, 2020** (75 days prior to depar-
ture). Reservations received after this date must be accompanied by payment in
full. Final payment may be made by personal check, MasterCard, Visa, Discover or
Amex. Make checks payable to AHI Travel.

Note: A small portion of the cost of your trip supports the Johns Hopkins Alumni
Travel Program.

Eligibility: At least one member of the traveling party is required to make a sustain-
ing financial contribution of \$50 or more to the Johns Hopkins Alumni Association
within the fiscal year. Please visit alumni.jhu.edu/support.

☐ I understand the conditions stated in this brochure and submit my reservation
as indicated.

Signature _____ Date _____

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(Signature as it appears on credit card)

Please note: Any payment to AHI Travel constitutes your acceptance of the terms and
conditions set out herein, including but not limited to the cancellation terms.

PROGRAM DATES

Air Program dates: March 20-29, 2020
Land Program dates: March 21-29, 2020

LAND PROGRAM

Full Price	Special Savings	Special Price*
\$3,745	\$250	\$3,495

*Special Price valid if booked by the date found on the address panel.

VAT is an additional \$295 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Single accommodations are an additional \$745 (limited availability).

Let us arrange your flights!

- AHI FlexAir** | Our experts are ready to assist you in booking flights. Our personalized air program offers the following advantages:
- **price guarantee** to protect you from fuel surcharge increases after ticket purchase.
 - arrival and departure **transfers** on group dates.
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Citadel of Chellah

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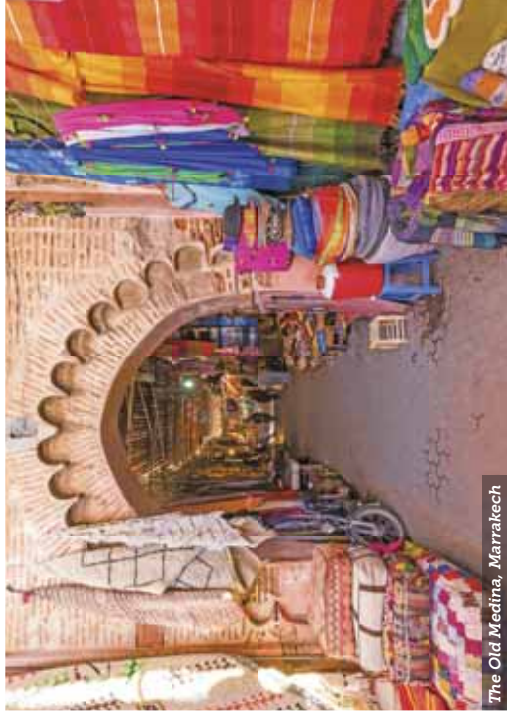


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