

OVERVIEW

Whether you're looking to surf for the first time, catch some world-class waves, or just escape the winter weather, this Morocco surf camp is the place to be. Not only is Morocco home to some of the world's best and most consistent breaks (including one of the world's 'top 10' breaks), it's also one of the most interesting, vibrant and exotic countries on the planet.

Join us for the ultimate Morocco surf camp and you'll enjoy deserted breaks, expert instruction, beach-front accommodations, and exotic local cuisine. This trip is run by our surf partner in Morocco.
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IS IT FOR ME?

Our Morocco surf camp is ideal for surfers of all abilities, including first-timers. It is perfect for those wishing to enjoy great waves and expert coaching while also experiencing unique culture and scenery. Unlike other Morocco surf vacations, we do not limit ourselves to the beaches immediately north of Agadir, so this is also the ideal tour for those wishing to explore as much of Morocco's coastline as possible.

HIGHLIGHTS

- *Surf excursions to isolated beaches
- *Beach-front hotels
- *World-class, small-group coaching for all levels
- *Local guides to get us to the "secret" surf breaks.
- *Delicious food, vibrant markets, unique scenery

INSTRUCTOR TO GUEST RATIO

1:4

MAX GROUP SIZE

15

ITINERARY**Day 1**

Welcome to our Morocco surf camp! Prepare yourself for one of the most fascinating, colorful and culture-rich countries on the planet. Also prepare for some of the world's best surfing! We will pick you up at Agadir airport and drive you to our base, a stylish beach-front villa. If your flight arrives before noon, you'll have time to catch waves on your first day. If not, you should at least have time to witness an incredible sunset. Tonight, you'll get your first taste of delicious Moroccan cuisine with a delicious meal cooked by our local chef.

Day 2

Wake up to a breathtaking view, perfect waves, and the sights and sounds of Morocco. Depending on the swell, guests will receive their first day of coaching at one of the many local beach breaks that offer consistent waves. Thanks to its long, smooth, and crowd-free breaks, Morocco is an ideal place to learn to surf. After your first day in the waves we'll head back to our villa for a delicious dinner and well-earned rest.

Day 3

Conditions permitting, you will be able to head out to a beach with some challenges to try out your new skills. The surf beach is home to a long, smooth beach break; perfect for beginner/intermediates, and a quality point break for more advanced surfers. After a morning of surfing, lunch will be served and you can grab a board and go out with a guide or head into Agadir to visit the local 'souk' and the Kasbah overlooking the city. Dinner served at the Villa.

Day 4

Today we'll be out on the water, working on improving our surf skills. From our surf base north of Agadir, the Moroccan coastline extends south, almost unexplored, for nearly 1000 km (620 miles) to the border area of the Occidental Sahara. Dinner at the Villa. Another perfect day!

Day 5

We will continue surfing today.

Day 6

Day six of our Morocco surf camp is dedicated to more surfing at the myriad breaks close to our surf house. Today, you will have plenty of time to catch more waves and work with your surf coach on your technique. At the end of the day, we'll head back to the villa where you can unwind from the day's journey. Tonight we'll have another fabulous Moroccan meal.

Day 7

Today is the last full day of surfing, so you'll practice everything you've learned during the week to make the most of your last waves. If you were a beginner at the start of the week, by now you are almost certainly enjoying the thrill of catching and riding waves. If you were began as an intermediate or advanced surfer, you'll have had the chance to fine-tune your technique and enjoy an excellent week of quality, 'locals-only' breaks. Delicious food, deserted beaches, great surfing, and new friends; does it get any better than this?

Day 8

Our Morocco surf vacation ends. We'll drive you to the airport at Agadir for your journey home.

Please note: This itinerary is designed to give you an idea of what to expect during our trip but is not set in stone. What we actually do on a given day is flexible and can be tailored to swell conditions and the interests of the group.

INSTRUCTION

We are dedicated to offering the highest quality surf instruction on the market. We know there are a multitude of other surf vacations that you could choose from for your surfing lessons, but we believe that our program is unique thanks to the individual attention we give our clients and to the quality and nature of our coaches. Our program is also unique because rather than being confined to just one beach, as most surf schools and surf vacations are, our surfing lessons take place at a variety beaches and breaks along the spectacular Moroccan coastline.

OUR MOROCCO INSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Beginners: Our beginner program is tailored to guests who have never or rarely surfed before. To read more about this program, please check out our [beginners' section](#)

Intermediates: Our intermediate program is designed to ensure that intermediate surfers optimize their technique, develop their style, and challenge their performance. At the beginning of the trip we'll assess your particular development needs and then work with you to achieve them. The goal of our intermediate surfing lessons is to refine your technique, maximize your confidence, and get you working on new skills and maneuvers. Intermediate surfers who would like to perform more radical maneuvers will be encouraged to surf more confidently and aggressively by taking full advantage of the waveface. You will be taught to better control your board by performing drop-offs, precise bottom turns, and by working your boards through slow sections into fast pockets. Your surf knowledge will be enhanced through informal workshops on such topics as wave patterns, currents, tides, potentially dangerous situations, priority rules and surf report reading. Video coaching is also an important component of our surfing lessons and will be available in the evenings to help you solidify the skills you have learned during the day. (Video coaching is optional, and is not included in the price of the trip.)

Advanced: For advanced surfers we develop individual training plans aimed at developing your technique through specific exercises, individual instruction, video coaching and refined surf report reading. Special coaches with many years of competition experience will assist you with tips and advice.

We base our surfing lessons on the following points:

* **Individual attention:** most surf schools process so many clients each week, they cannot afford to give students the individual attention they deserve. Although our surfing lessons are group lessons, we treat each client as an individual; identifying their particular development needs and learning goals and working with them to ensure these needs are met.

* **Low instructor-to-guest ratio:** in order to ensure clients receive the attention they deserve, we use a much lower instructor-to-guest ratio than do most surf schools and camps. Our client-to-coach ratio is a maximum of 4-to-1 (often it is lower), whereas many surf schools use a ratio of 8-to-1.

- * **Proprietary coaching program:** our team of expert instructors has worked hard to develop an instruction program that maximizes client learning and is tailored to the specific needs of our clients.
- * **Maximum flexibility & all-day coaching:** Although we base our surfing lessons on a comprehensive plan, we nevertheless keep them as flexible, relaxed, and tailored to the individual as possible. The atmosphere we create is more one of surfing with friends than partaking in a lesson. Our instructors will surf alongside you giving you tips and encouragement; they won't line you up in a large group and teach from a generic lesson plan as you find in a typical surf school experience. Also unlike typical surf schools, we don't limit you to just a few hours of instruction per day; our instructors are available to encourage you and give you tips all day long. You can use our instructors as little or as much as you like, and you can push yourself as much as you choose.
- * **Highest quality coaches:** We work hard to select the best possible instructors. Our coaches are expert surfers (many are professional or competitive surfers) who have extensive coaching experience. Perhaps even more importantly, our instructors are fun, open and easy-going people who love to teach.
- * **Video coaching & workshops:** To maximize your learning, we use video coaching and informal evening workshops. This is an optional extra that you can decide to pay for during your trip.
- * **Long-term improvement:** Surfing is a challenging sport and you may not master all the skills and techniques you desire during your short time with us. One of the goals of surfing lessons, therefore, is to give you all the knowledge and advice that you need to be able to continue to learn from us months and even years after you've left us.
- * **Unforgettable experience:** although we want you to maximize your surf performance, our most important goal is that you have a fantastic time while traveling with us. For this reason we work hard to create a supportive, relaxed and fun atmosphere and to create an itinerary that is unique and full of variety.

BEGINNERS

Our surf vacations are open to surfers of all abilities, including beginners interested in learning to surf. If you've never surfed before, our beginner surf lessons are the ideal way to begin. Surfing is not an easy sport, so it's important that you get the right advice and technique from the beginning. This will help you to avoid the frustration that many untutored surfers experience during their first days in the water, and it will enable you to progress smoothly and safely. It will also help you to understand surfing etiquette -- essential if you plan to surf in other more crowded breaks around the world. Starting with the right foundation is critical to becoming good at any sport, and this is particularly true of learning to surf.

Our 'learning to surf' Instruction Program

Our learning to surf program is divided into two parts. In the first days of the trip you'll learn such fundamental skills as: sea-condition appraisal, sitting and paddling on the board, duck diving with your board, controlled wipe-outs, fluid stand-up movement in broken waves, surfing broken waves and turning front and backside with full control and confidence. In the second part of our learning to surf program you'll apply all these skills to real, unbroken waves, developing your skills and confidence under the careful instruction of your coach. In the evening there are informal workshops on such topics as wave pattern, currents, tides, potentially dangerous situations, priority rules, and surfboard care and waxing. In addition, for those guests who are interested, we'll check out and comment on the video footage taken from the day. You'll be surprised by how much you'll learn from watching yourself on tape. Our surf lessons will start each day with surf specific warm-up exercises.

To learn more about the fundamentals of our coaching, please see our [instruction section](#)

BREAKS

Morocco offers some of the best surfing in the world, and our surf vacation will take you to the kingdom's best breaks. The region where our surf vacation is based is the surfing hub of Morocco. It's world fame for the quality and frequency of its point, reef and breach breaks is well-earned. It is not uncommon to find waves breaking for at least one kilometer (half a mile) down the beach! There are breaks to suit all ability levels; from easy beach breaks to high point breaks that rise several meters. The surf in Morocco is remarkably consistent; there's nearly always swell to be found somewhere. Although a few hardcore surfers make the trek south each winter for surfing in Morocco, the breaks still remain largely crowd-free; you certainly won't find scores of beginners and factory-style surf schools crowding the breaks. What's more, most of those surfers who do make it down for surfing in Morocco stick to a few main beaches, so with a little local knowledge (our specialty!) and some transportation, you can reach completely deserted beaches within a short drive.

For quality and variety of breaks, water temperature, and crowd-factor, Morocco is hard to beat. Factor in the fascinating culture and exotic scenery and you have an awesome surf destination that's not to be missed.

ACCOMMODATION

We searched the Morocco surfing coastline long and hard to find the ultimate accommodation for our Morocco surf vacation, and we found it. Our hip, ocean-front villa offers beautiful ocean views and easy access to the beach. There are showers and bathrooms on each floor, a big rooftop sun terrace, chill out areas designed in traditional colorful Moroccan decor. It's the perfect place to relax after a day of surfing Morocco's waves. It's a very relaxing and peaceful location, away from the crowds and noise of the city, the perfect place to stay for a week of surfing in Morocco. Agadir is also close (17km) and transport can be arranged if you wanted to check it out.

FOOD

Although providing you with a fantastic surf experience is our ultimate goal, we think it's important that you enjoy other aspects of our Morocco surf vacations and that includes eating well. The cuisine of Morocco is rated among the best in the world, and to help you make the most of it, we provide you with delicious breakfasts, lunches and dinners. By day we'll eat fresh fish and salads on the beach, and by night we'll enjoy traditional Moroccan dishes such as Tagine (a mini cone-shaped clay oven stuffed full of vegetables, seafood, or meat and then steamed over hot coals). For those with less exotic tastes, we'll also have some more 'western' dishes available. Daily vegetarian meals are also available upon request. Our Morocco surf vacations include three meals per day. Chefs are local Moroccans. Breakfast is served at the restaurant, and we will have a picnic style lunch at the beach for lunch. Dinners are served at the villa

If you prefer your surf vacations with lots of crazy nightlife, this is not the trip for you. Our Morocco trip is about surfing, relaxing, eating well, and enjoying the incredible culture and beauty of Morocco. Although we'll probably head into nearby Agadir one evening and check out the cafes and restaurants, your evenings will mostly be spent back at the villa, eating good food, kicking back, and just generally having an easy and relaxing time.

DATES & PRICES

For detailed dates and pricing information, please see our website at <http://www.accesstrips.com>

TRAVEL INFO

1) ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Arrival and Departure Airport: You should arrive at and depart from Agadir International Airport (airport abbreviation: AGA). Agadir is a resort city that is well serviced by a variety of airlines and often provides some excellent airfare deals. The following airlines fly into Agadir: British Airways, Britannia, Royal Air Maroc, Transavia Airlines, LTU, Condor, Air Europa, Air Berlin, Austrian Airlines, Ryan Air, Easy Jet.

Pick-up & Drop-off information: We provide complimentary airport pick-ups and drop-offs. We will be waiting for you with a sign saying 'Access Trips' as you exit customs at Agadir Airport. If you would like to be picked up from or dropped off to somewhere other than the airport, please email us to discuss.

Airlines and Checking Equipment: If you intend to bring your own equipment, please check with your airline regarding policies for checking and transporting sports gear and equipment before you book your flight. This includes inquiring as to weight, charges and liability.

Flights: We do not book flights or insurance for our clients. For recommendations, [click here](#)

2) TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS

Travel Insurance: Travel insurance, including emergency evacuation coverage, is compulsory for all our trips. Please do not attend any of our trips without purchasing appropriate insurance coverage. We recommend that you purchase travel insurance that includes cancellation protection so that you will be covered in the event that you are unable to attend our trip (due to injury, illness or other unforeseen circumstances) or in the unlikely event that our trip must be cancelled. We do not provide travel insurance for our clients. Please contact your local travel agent to purchase travel

insurance.

Passports & Visas: All countries require a valid passport (with a minimum of 6 months validity). Citizens of some countries will also require a visa. To learn more about visa and entry requirements for Morocco, please check out the Morocco Tourism website at: <http://www.visitmorocco.com> or consult your local travel agent. Please note that it is your responsibility to ensure that you have the correct travel documentation.

Age: We do not have any age restrictions on our trips. The majority of our clients are between the ages of 25 and 45, but we also have many clients who are older and younger than this.

3) HEALTH AND SAFETY

Emergency Contact: If you need to contact Access Travel in an emergency, you can reach us during office hours at the following numbers:

Dialing within North America: 1 (650) 492-4778

Dialing outside of North America: +1 (650) 492-4778

If you feel that you need to contact us outside of office hours, one of our staff members will be available on the following mobile lines:

Mobile-phone: +1 650 521 2662 or +1 650 387 4249

If you do not receive an immediate answer when calling the above numbers, please leave us a detailed message and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Health requirements: Please carefully review the health information section of the following webpage for up-to-date health information, including information on the quality of medical care, the availability of medications and the necessity for vaccinations in the destination country: http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_975.html . You are responsible for ensuring that you receive any necessary vaccinations before embarking on your trip with us.

Fitness requirements: The majority of our trips are open to people who are beginners in our target sports. Nevertheless, you should have a reasonable level of fitness before attending any of our trips and you should enjoy physical activity and the outdoors. During the majority of our trips you will be able to take a rest if you find that you are over-exerting yourself, but in order to maximize your enjoyment of our tours you should ensure that you are in reasonable shape.

Safety & Security: To maximize your safety during our tours you should exercise common sense and caution at all times. We recommend that you always stick to set travel arrangements, and avoid unknown areas. We also recommend that you wear minimal jewelry and that you keep valuable items safely stored. Always keep a copy of your passport, airline tickets, travelers checks and credit card numbers separate from where you keep the originals. For information on safety and security in Morocco, please review the safety and security section of the following webpage: http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_975.html

4) WHAT TO TAKE

Equipment: We have high quality boards available for your use during the camp (equipment is included in the trip price), but if you would like to bring your own board you are of course welcome to do so.

What to bring: Many of our trips require us to move our base several times, so we recommend that you pack as lightly as possible. There will not always be someone available to help you carry your bags so you should only bring as much as you can carry on your own.

We suggest that you bring the following items:

Clothing & Equipment

- * Surf board & leash (if you don't own one, we can provide this equipment)
- * A 3/4length wet suit (we can provide)
- * A rash guard (you can buy this from any surf shop)
- * Towels (bath & beach; can be bought in Taghazout village)
- * Sandals with straps for walking on coastal & desert paths
- * Casual summer clothes (at the beach women can feel free to wear normal beach wear, but when we visit towns or cultural places it is polite to cover your shoulders and to wear trousers/skirts that go below your knees. It is not necessary to wear a headscarf)
- * A pullover and a pair of trousers because it can get cool in the evenings
- * Toiletries
- * Money belt
- * Sunscreen / sunglasses / hat
- * First-aid kit (should contain lip balm, aspirin, band aids, a cream for sore muscles (e.g. deep heat), Imodium or similar tablets for mild cases of diarrhea, rehydration powder, extra prescription drugs you may be taking)

Documents & Money

- * Passport (with photocopies)
- * Travel insurance (with photocopies)
- * Airline tickets (with photocopies)
- * Credit and/or debit card and/or travelers cheques and/or cash. MasterCard and Visa are the most commonly used. Maestro card is difficult to use in Morocco. You should always advise your bank that you are traveling to Morocco.
- * Any entry visas or vaccination certificates required

Spending Money

- * Meals - All meals are included in the trip price

- * Other expenses - there are no required additional expenses for this trip, but you might like to take spending money for such things as souvenir shopping, nightlife and internet caf  s.

5) USEFUL LINKS

Country Information: For additional information about traveling in Morocco check out

http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_975.html

<http://www.visitmorocco.com>

Currency Exchange: The currency in Morocco is the Moroccan Dirham. For the latest currency exchange information please go to: <http://finance.yahoo.com/currency>

6) ABOUT ACCESS TRIPS

Who we are: Access Trips is dedicated to offering a wide range of instructional adventure tours. If you're looking for a vacation that provides a huge sense of personal achievement while still being fun, exciting and rewarding, our tours are right for you. We coined the term `instructional adventure tour` to describe our unique style of travel because as far as we know, we are the only company in the world to specialize in offering a variety of such trips! Instructional adventure tours offer the best of both worlds - expert instruction to help you develop and improve in your favorite pastime (or, if you're a beginner, to help you learn a new pastime correctly from the start), and varied and exciting itineraries to give you a unique and memorable travel experience. Our tours are the perfect mix of a high quality instructional course and an exciting adventure vacation and you'll find there's nothing more satisfying than challenging yourself and reaching new heights in your favorite pastime, while also enjoying a unique and authentic travel experience. Our instructional tours encourage you to develop your potential in a relaxed and non-intimidating setting, regardless of your ability level, and reward you with carefully selected accommodation, delicious food, incredible scenery and unique cultural experiences.

We offer trips in all continents except Antarctica and we currently specialize in snowboarding, skiing, surfing, mountain biking and multisport tours. Our team is made up of instructors who are among the best in the world; we select them not only for their talent and experience (many are professional and competitive athletes) but also for their great personalities

and their passion for coaching. Our tours attract men and women of all abilities and ages and, thanks to the fact that all clients have a common interest, our trips tend to be fantastic social experiences in addition to great instructional trips.

Our commitment to our clients: Like many travel companies, we are dedicated to offering the highest quality, safest and best value trips that we can. But our client mission is much more than this: on top of offering an excellent product, we are committed to making a positive change in the lives of our clients. We at Access Trips have all benefited in meaningful ways from the remarkable power of having a passion in life - of having a pastime that brings you pleasure, friendships, a sense of achievement and a total escape from the pressures of everyday life. Some of us have found self-confidence, others friendships, and others motivation and drive as a result of our involvement in sports. We want our clients to also experience the pleasure of finding and pursuing a passion. It is our goal that clients return from our trips having found a new passion or solidified an existing one, having made lasting friendships, having experienced a deep sense of achievement as a result of reaching new heights in their favorite sport, and having acquired a new perspective on life as a result of the unique experiences that our trips provide. We have had more than a few clients who have returned from our trips and decided to make major life changes such as changing careers to pursue more meaningful work, moving countries to be closer to the outdoors, and changing universities to be around more like-minded people. We do not expect our trips to have such a dramatic impact on all our clients, but we do hope that all our clients can be inspired in some small way from the experience of sharing their passion with us.

Our commitment to others: Although we are ultimately a for-profit business, Access Trips is about so much more than just turning profits. We operate Access Trips because we are passionate about travel, sports and the outdoors and because we love to share this passion with our clients, our employees and the local people we encounter during our travels. It is deeply important to us that our business contributes to the world in a favorable way and that we use our resources to affect as much positive change in the world as we can. We believe that we have three major responsibilities: to our clients, to our employees and to the world at large (which includes the environment and local communities) and we are doing everything we can to serve these three groups to the best of our ability. Please see the company section of our website (<http://www.accesstrips.com/company/mission/>) to read more about the actions we are taking to fulfill our mission and to effect positive change in the world.

7) FINAL NOTE

The information contained in this document is provided in good faith. Due to the nature of travel, details in this document may change. You should thus use the above information as an indication only and not as a contractual obligation on the part of Access Travel, Ltd.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

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