



University of Minnesota Morris Morocco: History, Story, Myth
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 May 18 - June 5, 2006

<u>Day</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Program</u>
1	Thursday	May 18	Depart Twin Cities	Depart 1:12 p.m. on Northwest Airlines (NW) #734 to New York's JFK Airport; arrive 4:59 p.m. and proceed to connecting flight, Royal Air Maroc (AT) #201 departing at 7:40 p.m. to Casablanca, nonstop service
2	Friday	May 19	Arrive Casablanca	Arrive 06.40, meet tour manager and transfer to Hotel Farah; visit local mosque; <i>possibly view movie (subject to availability)</i> ; Group Dinner at the hotel READING: articles on Moroccan history/ periods Article on Moroccan royal dynasties (D)
3	Saturday	May 20	Casablanca/ Rabat	Morning departure for tour of Rabat; Moroccan History Lecture; overnight at Hotel Majliss READING: <u>The Road to Fez (B)</u>
4	Sunday	May 21	Rabat/Volubilis/ Meknes	Morning departure for Meknes, via Volubilis; overnight at Hotel Dalia Guide in Meknes: Ben (<i>Subject to availability</i>) READING: <u>The Road to Fez</u> Article on myth versus reality of Moulay Ismail (B)
5	Monday	May 22	Meknes/Fez	Morning departure for Fez and check-in at Hotel Royal Mirage (ex Sheraton); attend ALIF (Arabic Language Institute in Fez): Lecture on Islam and Judaism in Morocco (fundamentals of Islam – brief history, five pillars, etc. and then a brief history of Jews in Morocco and the relationship between Jews and Muslims) Evening: Sufi music READING: <u>The Road to Fez (B)</u>

6	Tuesday	May 23	Fez	ALIF: Lecture on Women in Morocco (new Family Code) <i>Visit some women weavers in their homes (subject to availability); Talk about the motifs in their weavings/the stories their art tells</i> READING: <u>Dreams of Trespass (B)</u>
7	Wednesday	May 24	Fez	ALIF: Lecture on moroccan myth and symbolism Medina and Medersa Visit rooftop and look at the vista of rooftops where women work. READING: <u>Dreams of Trespass (B)</u>
8	Thursday	May 25	Fez/Erfoud	Morning departure for Erfoud for check-in at Hotel Belere READING: <u>Dreams of Trespass (B)</u>
9	Friday	May 26	Erfoud/Merzouga	Morning departure for Merzouga (tent accommodations); 4x4 into the desert Lamb dinner and local music READING: Article on Moroccan stories and myths (B,D)
10	Saturday	May 27	Merzouga/desert	Camel ride to camp overnight; overnight in tents; Dinner Storyteller in the desert under the stars (B,D)
11	Sunday	May 28	Desert/Merzouga /Toudgha Gorge /Tinghrir	Travel to Toudgha Gorge en route to Tinghrir, including lunch; overnight at Hotel Boughafer (B,L)
12	Monday	May 29	Tinghrir / Ouarzazate	Travel to Ouarzazate, visiting casbahs and studios; overnight at Hotel Belere READING: <u>A Street in Marrakech (B)</u>
13	Tuesday	May 30	Ouarzazate / Marrakech via the High Atlas mountains	Travel to Marrakech, with sightseeing including Palais de la Bahia, Dar Si Said and the Museum of Moroccan Arts, Saadian Tombs; check-in at Hotel Semiramis Evening: Djemaa el-Fna and souq READING: <u>A Street in Marrakech (B)</u>

14	Wednesday	May 31	Marrakech	Touring to include the Jardin Majorelle and Museum of Islamic Art Dinner: Fantasia Chez Ali READING: <u>A Street in Marrakech</u> (B)
15	Thursday	June 01	Marrakech	Visit waterfall (Cascade d'Ouzoud) READING: <u>A Street in Marrakech</u> (B)
16	Friday	June 02	Marrakech / Essaouira	Travel to Essaouira for check-in at Hotel Des Iles READING: on stories that music tells (B)
17	Saturday	June 03	Essaouira	Lecture on Moroccan music <i>Optional henna application</i> Gnoua music performance (B)
18	Sunday	June 04	Essaouira / Casablanca	Play on the beach /work on final project Return to Casablanca late in the evening (after supper) for overnight at Hotel Farah (B,D)
19	Monday	June 05	Casablanca/ Twin Cities	Transfer to airport for 11.20 departure on AT #200 for New York; arrive JFK 3:30 p.m., clear customs and proceed to connecting flight, NW #735 departing at 5:41 p.m. for the Twin Cities; arrive 7:55 p.m. (B)



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