

RIAD
ANATA

My little Fez...
Travel with a conscience

Travel booklet

FEZ // MOROCCO

Brought to Fez by the fortunes of life, I immediately fell under the charm of the city. The city completely bowled me over. Initially, I wanted to create a simple home, intimate and friendly where I could come to relax and recharge with family and friends.

However, with my passionate nature and as someone who likes to introduce others to my discoveries, I decided to open a charming guest-house and to share my passion for travel and culture.

Riad Anata is a real project from the heart and a beautiful human adventure that started in 2008...

Riad Anata...



In Sanskrit, "ANATA" means energy from or "The Divine"... ♡

In this gem of a city I was supported by all kinds of men and women, by all cultures who helped and accompanied me in constructing this ancient masonry, the Riad in which I welcome you today.

Valérie Janczewski,
Your personal waitress

Valérie

Welcome to riad anata!

Welcome to my home!

Welcome home!

a true gem!



OF "ANATTA"
the heart



'Marhaba'!

Fez is the oldest imperial city. It was founded in 190 during Idriss's Hegira.

Fez is situated among the plains of Saïss and it became a major city



This travel guide aims to help you thoroughly enjoy your stay in Fez... I hope it will be your best friend during a break in time...

whose Merinide dynasty made it its capital in the late thirteenth century.

The fame surrounding Fez enticed Muslim students and scholars, Jews and Christians from all walks of life. Fez quickly became the intellectual capital but also the economic capital through its well-known arts and crafts.





Before leaving for Fez, consider calling your bank to arrange the use of your MAESTRO debit card in Morocco. Otherwise, you can withdraw cash using your VISA card or Mastercard.



Fez is home to Al Quaraouiyine University, considered the oldest university in the world still in operation. Fez is a spiritual, authentic and mysterious city.

Medina is a living witness of the past and continues to maintain its traditions through time. The Medina of Fez is also a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is considered the largest in the world.

Far from the fast-moving western cities, Fez offers

'Welcome'!

a stop in time. To discover its secrets, let yourself gradually penetrate its pace and energy of its own. Fez invites you to "be"... simply.

Back to Riad Anata, let yourself be pampered by the staff who are completely at your disposal!

Enjoy the fine cuisine, recharge your batteries, take time to talk, and relax far away from the teeming activities of the Medina... Take advantage of our many books, board games, library...





Just like

Our home, is your home! Each day, compose your own personal menu according to your wishes and the daily market produce. You can also rely on the daily inspirations of Riad Anata,. We ask just one thing: Order the day before at breakfast... Enjoy!

- ☺ breakfast: served from 8.30am to 10am (for earlier check-out, please ask for our breakfast box to take to the airport)
- ☺ Riad Anata is 100% non-smoking, except on the terrace of course!

... THE POSSIBILITY TO RENT PRIVATELY !

The Riad is exclusively yours. The personnel are at your disposal to take care of you and prepare your meals on request while you relax or go about the many various activities.

(Baby-phone available if needed during your stay) 😊

Ideal for wedding anniversaries, Christmas parties, hen and bachelor parties, family holidays, etc.. More information on our website!

www.riad-anata.com



home ...

THE ART OF FAMILY TRAVEL

Shuttle with baby seat available upon request, bottle warmers, kid's menu, baby cribs, baby chair, baby bath, baby phone, ... and even stroller! At Riad Anata, nothing is left to chance for our little darlings. Kids can also enjoy tailor-made activities : artcraft with hamza or yoga with Aditi (information available in Valérie's top adresses).



DISCOVER THE BEST MOROCCAN CUISINE!

MENUS OF 'ANATA'

Lunch

150 dhs / 15€

3 courses menu

250 dhs / 25€

(starter ♥ main dish ♥ dessert)

Kids menu

120 dhs / 12€

We offer a selection of tapas as starters, Spanish style! Choose from the following:

COLD STARTERS (salads)

Aubergine zalouk

Courgettes

Mcharmél (sweet and sour carrots)

Caramelised pumpkin

Beans

Sweet tomatoes

Tomates & peppers, olive oil and candied lemon

WARM STARTERS

Loubia (white beans in tomato sauce)

Lentils

Bissara (bean soup)



MAIN COURSES

Shoulder of lamb with stuffed dates
Lamb Tajine with prunes and sesame
Chicken Tajine with candied lemon
Lamb Tajine, artichokes and peas
Meat Kofta with eggs
Meat Couscous with vegetables
Vegetable Couscous (vegetarian)
Fish Tajine
Sardine Kofta

DESSERTS

Briwat with rice and almonds
Briwat with bananas and apples
Pastilla with milk
Dessert with milk and tangerines
Seasonal fruits
Tangerines and/or oranges with cinnamon and orange blossom water

DRINKS

Water	25 dhs
Soda & Fruit juice	30 dhs
Hot drinks	30 dhs
Gin Gordon's	90 dhs
Bacardi	80 dhs
Campari	80 dhs
Absolut Vodka	90 dhs
Martini bianco	50 dhs
Cocktail	95 dhs
Wine Domaine de Sahari Réserve	250 dhs
Wine Terres Rouges	350 dhs
Glass of wine	50 dhs
Beer	40 dhs

In Fez, the real local traditional cuisine can be enjoyed only in the Riads...



The class starts generally in the morning at 10am.
Length between 3 to 4 hours

550
dhs/pers

sign up today 😊
for a COOKING class

Hands - on
**COOKING
CLASSES**

Discover the secrets of the best Moroccan cuisine recipes in a genuinely relaxed atmosphere. With our chef "hands-on" approach you will be able to surprise your guests back at home. More than a traditional Moroccan cooking class, this is a complete immersion into the Moroccan culture. Learn to shop at the market like a local, choose the best ingredients & turn them into a delicious 3 courses lunch.

The class starts generally on the morning at 10 am and last about 3/4 hours.



**WE ARE ALREADY SHARING
ONE OF OUR SECRETS WITH YOU :
LAMB TAJINE WITH ALMONDS
AND PRUNES (FOR 2 PEOPLE)**

INGREDIENTS

- * 150Gr of prunes
- * 2 lamb shank
- * 40g whole blanched
- * 500Gr of onions
- * 50Gr of rancid butter
- * 1 pinch of cinnamon powder
- * 1 pinch of ginger powder
- * 1 desaffran pinch
- * a few of sesame seeds
- * salt Peppers
- * sugar or honey
- * Olive oil

Put the meat in a large pot, add the sliced onions as well as the spices, the oil, the butter, and let it cook gently for 1h30 min...

At term, remove the meat, leaving the onions in the pot until all the juices have evaporated, then add the honey in order to caramelize the onions.

In a small pot mix the spices, the prunes, a drizzle of olive oil and a bit of water and cook until tender.

Once cooked, add a bit more honey and caramelize them, pit the prunes and instead place a whole almond, which has been previously fried in a bit of oil.

Coat the stuffed prunes with the roasted sesame seeds.

Enjoy!

Do not hesitate
to discover our cooking
in image on
www.riad-anata.com
on youtube





At Riad Anata, everything is possible or almost everything! Just share with us your desires and we shall make the maximum to answer your expectations...





Smart tips...

HOW TO GET TO THE NEW TOWN

RED TAXIS

At Batha square, close to the Riad Anata, you will find small red taxis waiting to take you anywhere in the city for only a few dirhams. The price is displayed on the meter. Everywhere else, just wait on the side of the road in the direction you're going and hail a taxi when you see one.

☺ Taxis are collective and will take up to 3 people. Each 'group' should pay the amount shown on the meter. A great way of making new contacts!

☺ In Fez, we do not give the street name to the taxi driver, but the 'locality' near to where you actually want to go. Eg: 'Hotel Jnan Palace' to get to the 'la Maison Blanche' restaurant.

Why? Just because the taxi drivers do not know all the hotspots in the city!

ATTENTION: your passport must be valid 3 months after your return date!

We organize airport or train station pick-up.



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TIPS

For your stay, buy a phone card from one of these three operators: Morocco Telecom, Meditel or Inwi to make it easier to contact us and communicate among you. Foresee 20dhs for a new number. You can find them in all the small grocery shops...

You leave the Riad by car? Call the emergency number 160 in case something goes wrong !



SHOPPING IN MEDINA

☺ You wish to discover the Medina? We recommend you to take one of the official guides we work with. 400dhs/ day + 150 dhs/ visit Medina surroundings by car, head up for one of the best panoramas of the city, Borj Sud & Borj Nord, Merenid tombs, King's palace ramparts. Ideal departure: 10 am.

☺ What is the exchange rate for the dirham?

€1 equals approximately 11 dhs. Just divide the price you see by 10 to get the approximate price in euros! You can withdraw money or change euros at the bank Bab Boujloud (closed Saturday afternoon and Sunday), at any exchange shop along the perpendicular street (open on Sundays) or at the Riad.

Would you like to bring small gifts home from your travels? Think of soap, spices, argan oil, handmade carpets, pottery made with tadelakt in all kinds of colours, hand-carved bottle openers, but especially the speciality from Fez, cobalt blue pottery.

Some useful words in Derrija
(Moroccan dialect)

SALAM ALIKUM: Hello (literally: May the
peace be with you)

ALIKUMSALAM: Hello (says in response
to 'salam Alikum')

SCHAAL: How many

TAMELM-ZIEN: Good price

RALIB-ZEF: It's too expensive

NKASCHMIYA: Lower your price

M-ZIEN!: Good!

SAFÈ: That's enough

CHOUKRAN: Thanks

CHOUKRANB-ZEF: Thanks a lot

PSLEMA: Goodbye

INCH' ALLAH: If God wills

DELDI: Moroccan



Avoid the Medina on Fridays
during the days of prayer
and where most shops are
closed!





BOUTIQUE JARDIN DES DIEHN



CHEZ LAURENCE, MEDIN'ART

In the Medina, everyone
KNOWS each other...

Don't hesitate to ask
passerby's where to find
a shop or shopkeeper
that you are looking for!



TAMERLANE'S DAUGHTERS



ANAJAM HOME



CHEZ NINA ALAMI

BOUTIQUE JARDIN DES BIEHN

A selection of Moroccan artisanal products: pottery from Fez and Salé, basketry, weaving, babouches and jewelry chosen by Michel Biehn. Renowned collector of fabrics and antique costumes, here Michel Biehn offers embroidery from Fez and from the ancient world. FezFabrik designers come from all over the world and work with the artisans of Fez to create throws, bags, jewellery and accessories.

Tell our friends you came via Valerie and Audrey from Riad Anata, they will really appreciate it!

Audrey's
favourite
deco tips
décorator
at Riad
Anata



AT LAURENCE AU MEDIN'ART

A concept store in the heart of the medina, a spacious shop furnished by 'iron attitude' where you will find 'revisited' crafts, unique pieces; Everything is handmade & done in Morocco with a contemporary spirit. You will find brands such as: The Moors Collection, Kif Kif, Mr. Michelin, Mouhib, SissiMorocco, among other artists.

To get there, walk down the Talaa Srira heading to Place Nejjarine.

ANAJAM HOME

Rebecca Eve and Tara Stevens have put together a tightly curated collection of contemporary and vintage Moroccan homewares, all handmade by artisans, including 100% wool, chunky weave 'Debdou' blankets, cactus silk table linens, hand blown recycled glassware, hand-carved orchard wood serving bowls and modern Fez ceramics. To get to Anajam Home, first make appointment with Tara on WhatsApp +212691587751. Take a taxi to Cafe Barbados, (Narcissi). She will pick you up there. The show room is 2 minutes away. www.anajamhome.com

TAMERLANE'S DAUGHTERS

London based fashion and interiors designer Karina Duebner (half-German, half-Kazakh) whose work is featured in Vogue, Elle, Harpers Bazaar, and Architectural Digest owns a house in the medina and her exquisite range of 'Couture Cushions' is hand-made in Fez. Before being shipped for sale to Europe, Karina's cushions can be bought directly from her home in Fez when she is in town. To enquire send an email to karina@tamerlanesdaughters.com www.tamerlanesdaughters.com

AT NINA ALAMI

If you are looking for traditional handcrafts with a fresh modern perspective, definitively call the Palestinian-American textile designer Nina Alami. She sells her collection of handwoven scarves and blankets out of an unmarked, by-appointment-only in her atelier in the medina. Nina also offers sourcing services for the "serious shopper." artisanprojectinc@gmail.com Write her an e-mail or ask us to call her.

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ORIENTAL BEAUTY RITUAL ... NEW IN TOWN

The beauty rituals from Maghreb are an opportunity to reconnect with a natural beauty regime and organic products: black soap to ex-foliate, purifying Rasul, Argan oil to moisturise... Discover the secrets of the beautiful East...



IN MEDINA...

For a Hammam&Peeling in a '1001 nights' atmosphere, ideal for couple, we highly recommend the following spas:

RIAD LAAROUSSA
730 dhs/pers*

LE PALAIS FARAJ SPA
950 dhs/pers*

Find the location on our map of the medina (p.38-39)

*Price for hammam+massage

NAUSSIKA SPA
150dhs /pers

Traditionnal Hammam between friends. The hammam is not mixed! Local atmosphere!

Taxi reference: Anas Wahed neighborhood

LES BAINS D'INES
400dhs/pers*

Exclusively for women.

For a smaller budget but also very nice!
From 10am-8pm 7/7 days

Taxi reference:
Café Le Bouquet

AHMED BENNANI

Ahmed Bennani, a multidisciplinary artist who lives and works in Fez. His artistic approach attracts national and international galleries.

whatsapp : +212661351031



ARABIAN PORTRAITS

Would you like to dress up as an Arabian princess or a Berber prince ? Violeta Caldes offers personalized photo sessions in an ancient riad of Fez providing you with clothes, jewellery and make up. You'll have lots of fun during the session (3-4 hours) and leave with your digital photos. 250dhs

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EGGES ♡

CRAFT DRAFT

Want to take part in a craft workshop with Hamza? Craft Draft is a Multidisciplinary Art Studio that is keen to keep Traditional Visual Crafts of Fes Medina alive through offering workshops for all age groups.

Find more: facebook.com/Craft.Draft.Fez
Hamza +212 649 89 41 97



ALFRED BERLIN

Carmelo Tedeschi, an Italian artist and designer based in Berlin and Fez. Visit his showroom to see his beautiful leather accessories.

+212 631 04 36 30 (Right after NUR, on your right)

THE ATLAS APOTHECARY

A centre for the study of traditional medicine and healthcare in the old medina of Fes, Morocco.

Their goal is to share the deep knowledge of nature and its medicinal plants which has traditionally been a part of Moroccan culture. Through their workshops, they hope to promote an empowered approach to self-care according to traditional principles.



www.atlasapothecary.com +212678996079

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Christophe, a former graphic designer reconverted into craftsman, creating bags or other nice accessories out of recycled tires.

Coming from the blue gate (Bab Boujloud), right before the MADE IN M CAFE





NUR -\$\$\$\$-

Insolite in the medina... The space has been embellished with traditional tiling that is exclusively black and white. The owner, Najat Kaanache is a celebrity chef who was born and raised in San Spain and offer a unique Menu of 7 courses for 70€ exclusive drinks.

15 minutes from the Riad beside Riad Laroussa (porter service available from the Riad to the restaurant for 20 dhs/trip). Closed Mon & Tue.

FEZ CAFE - JARDIN DES BIEHNS -\$\$- ♡

In a beautiful green area abundant with fruit trees, you can enjoy lunch on the terrace in the shade. The Chef, Hicham, combines a good kitchen with fresh market products.

10 minutes from the Riad on the way to ALKANTARA. Leaving the Riad right hand, take the left lane, at the end, turn right at the grocery store, walk along the collapsed garden wall and you'll find it.



IN MEDINA ... dining out



DAR ROUMANA -\$\$\$-

The food prepared by Vincent, a French chef, arises from Moroccan traditions. The address is ideal for a romantic candlelit dinner..

Located in Ain Azliten (porter service available from the Riad to the restaurant. (20 dhs/trip).

KARAWAN RIAD

Start a perfect Sunday with a good breakfast; go for "eggs Khlie", a moroccan specialty served by Outhman, the chef of Valérie & Lionel, owners of this beautiful Riad, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (180 dhs/person) or come for lunch on the week-end and enjoy the beautiful terrace marinated grilled meat. (250dhs/pers).

Located in Rcif, next to the cinema el Amal.





RUINED GARDEN - RIAD IDRISSEY - \$\$-

Café/Restaurant - A fabulous place located in the remains of a beautiful mansion, next to the Idrissy Riad. The perfect place to relax and enjoy lunch or tea. Robert hails from London and has opened the doors to this atmospheric place in spring 2013. Simple, tasty salads, teas, Moroccan cuisine. Guests can sample a seven hour grilled mechoui lamb but need to order it the day before. 100m from Jardin des Biehn, 10 min from the Riad.

FEZ RIAD (RELAIS CHÂTEAUX) - \$\$\$-

Boasting elegance and refinement, the setting here is very chic! I advise you to enjoy an aperitif and then follow your heart to the table!

10 minutes from the Riad near the Batha Square.



THE CLOCK CAFÉ

A real institution for both locals, expats and intrepid travelers, this place is perfect for a drink in a really friendly atmosphere! Snacks are available (I suggest you try 'The Burger'). Sunday evening concert starts around 6.30, popular musicians will regale you with traditional music.

Talaa Skhira, on your left, 15 minutes from the Riad.



MOI ANAN - THAI RESTAURANT & FASHION BOUTIQUE - \$\$-

On the ground floor is an up-market boutique & the main eating area is on the floor above. The 'green' terrace will be wonderful on warm evenings. In the winter, 2 interior intimate dining spaces provide a stylish backdrop to diners.

Few minutes away from parking lot of Aïn Azliten (the house makes angle with Talaa Kbira).





Taste...

the Moroccan
Traditional cooking!

CINEMA CAFE -\$\$-

The owners, Yassin & Tima have created the perfect spot to chill out, have a smoothie or grab something. Menu: from paninis, tacos, pizza to tagines and for a very reasonable price.

5 min form the Riad, located in the "Rue de la Poste" which is the one that goes from Batha square to the blue gate.



NACHO MAMA

The medina's first Mexican takeaway offering a funky fresh Mexican Kitchen. Chef Najat was inspired but above all imbued with Mexican culture as she traveled all over the world but especially in the heart of the Mexican capital.

We love this little burrito house!!

Talaa

Kgbira, right after NUR restaurant, on the right hand.



MADE IN M

A modern moroccan food address in the heart of Fez medina (tagines-sandwiches-Moroccan breakfast-detox juices).

A space dedicated to design items, made from tadelakt with a modern and sophisticated style. In the Medina just after Barcelona, in the Talaa Srira.





LE TARBOUCHE

It is one of a series of new, "stylish" lunch places in Fez medina. Reasons to eat here: it is cheap, great quality, there are a couple of tables outside, set back from the street. Located on Talaa Kgbira, next to Ain Azzliten parking, about half-way between the Blue gate district and the central Souk el Attarine.

enrichment

WOULD YOU REALLY LIKE TO DISCOVER THE MEDINA ? ASK SIMO TO ORGANISE IT FOR YOU.

Budget about 400dhs for the day (an ideal departure is around 10am) + 150dhs for the large white taxi you will need to take to visit the outskirts of the Medina: Borj North & South, The Merinids and surrounding walls...



RIAD ALKANTARA ♡

Perfect for sunbathing in dreamy surroundings...

Just 10 minutes by foot from Riad Anata, take the small street to the right just to the right of le Jardin des Biehn!

Swimming
or relaxing...

MEDINA SOCIAL CLUB

Located a 5-minute walk from the tanneries on a perpendicular street of the Talaa Sghira. Medina Social Club hold cultural events of all sorts (concerts, exhibitions, plays, dance, debates). Their restaurant offers traditional Moroccan dishes with an arty atmosphere and beautiful view on the medina from their rooftop terrace.





LA MAISON BLANCHE -\$\$\$-

For a luxurious break at an affordable price, go for a drink in the lounge bar, then take a table and enjoy gourmet cuisine by Thierry Vaissière in a setting designed by Christophe Pillet. The carpaccio of foie gras with pineapple is superb and the staff are wonderful! Wine lovers will be in heaven!

Taxi ref.: In front of the Marriott Hotel (previous Jnan Palace Hotel)

LE KIOSK -\$\$-

Be it on a warm and sunny day, outdoor dining is one of the very best ways to enjoy Fez New City! Taste their delicious pizza cooked with a traditional wood-fire oven. Free Wi-Fi and coffee available.

Taxi ref.: The new Park City of Champs de course.



IN THE NEW TOWN ...



THE GREAT WALL -\$\$-

A brand new Chinese restaurant, quite exiting to have Chinese food after too many tagines and couscous. The owner and the chef are both from China and offer a sample of some authentic Chinese food!

THE MAIMONIDE CENTER -\$\$-

Maimonide center, located in the center of the new city, close to the synagogue SADOUN, welcomes you in a pleasant surrounding and offers you, a Jewish kosher Moroccan restoration, lunch or dinner including Shabbat.

It is required to book in advance though +212-676286099 and especially because the place is not easy to recognize as there is no sign.





HOTEL SAHRAI & RESTAURANTS RELAIS DE PARIS / L'AMARAZ

Relais de Paris has an informal chic atmosphere serving a Parisian brasserie menu that will particularly appeal to red meat lovers.

Amaraz invites you to sample gourmet Moroccan cuisine in a setting that's in tune with the spirit of the place.

THE ADIL GRILL -Local rates-

A popular little terrace where you can eat good meat grilled at various prices among the shadow of the argan trees. Colourful local spot.

Taxi ref.: Splendid Hotel. Once you are in front of the hotel, take the road diagonally to the left. If you need to, ask passerbys on Hansali Road.



dining out



THE MEZZANINE -\$\$-

The perfect place to enjoy a cocktail with a chicha. Enjoy the chilled and sophisticated atmosphere. The terrace is beautiful, overlooking an amazing park and with a view on the old battlement site of Fez! From Batha Place, set up towards the Royal Palace. The Mezzanine is located along the main entrance to the Jnan-Sbil park at the entrance of the district of Fez Jdid 20 min. walk to the Riad.

CHEZ ISMAEL -Local rates-

Do you fancy a little snack specializing in fried fish, in a typical setting? Nothing but great home cooking. Fez is an institution for fish. I recommend the shrimp Pilpil which are deliciously spicy ...

Taxi ref.: Well known by taxis, along the road perpendicular to the French consulate on the left.





MERINIDES HOTEL

Would you like to drink a good cocktail or glass of wine? This hotel boasts a large panoramic terrace overlooking the Medina of Fez. An ideal location for an aperitif and admiring the sunset.

Taxi reference: Merinides Hotel which everyone knows!

refresh

coming soon!

PALAIS JAMAÏ BY LA MAMOUNIA

Dating from 1879, this luxury, mythical hotel is an Arab-Mauresque architectural treasure and an absolute must see.

The famous Fassi palace should be reorganized and renamed Mamounia.

Taxi ref.: Everyone knows!



JUNGLE SOCIAL CLUB - HOTEL SAHRAÏ

Just upstairs from the lobby, this area has a \$\$\$-charming atmosphere with a New York vibe, offers a marvelous view of the surrounding landscape. Enjoy the evening in style with yummy tapas & cocktails and music by Jungle DJ while watching the famous Fez sunset!

Open from Tuesday to Sunday from 5pm to 1am.



PAUL -\$\$-

The well-known and much appreciated French bakery has finally and recently opened its doors to Fez. Perfect for breakfast and for gourmands during the small hours.

Taxi reference: Take the roundabout just before the supermarket Hacima, on Avenue Ben Abdellah.

sweetness



OUED FEZ GOLF

18 holes Golf with a semi-link course, thought by the architect Jonathan Gaunt, designer of the most renowned golf course of the world! Greenfee is 600dhs/pers for 18 holes and 400dhs/pers for 9 holes. This rate includes unlimited practice and the trolley if necessary. Rent of golf cart for 300dhs or "taylor made" complete golf set bag for 300dhs for 18 holes. Only 10 min by car from the Riad (closed Mon) tel. +212 664 72 10 50

THERMAL SOURCES OF MOULAY YACOUB

Situated in the middle of a lunar landscape, this haven of peace will let you discover the thermal virtues of its sulphur containing waters, reputed throughout the Kingdom. The Thermal Centre will offer several packages, with a large pool, an area reserved for women, and thirty cubicles for Vichy Thermal Spa Treatments. The Spa proposes a range of innovative care treatments using Vichy Laboratories Dermo Cosmetic Skincare Treatments and the SkinCeuticals line of Dermo-Professional Care Treatments.

Book a taxi driver (400dhs)

THE AIN MAYER EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

Trips across the country, riding lessons, competitions and a club house and pool, Azzedine Msefer has created a real equestrian paradise. Near Fez airport, 2,5 Kilometers away. In the direction of Ifrane, turn right (facing the BMCE Bank) and follow the pink signs.

JNAN SBIL BOTANICAL PARK

A set of 'lungs' in the middle of the city, founded by the Princess and redesigned in 2012. Walking there is a real pleasure. If there is water (depending on the season and drought), it's really nice to sit in front of the Lake!

Just 10 minutes walk from Riad Anata. Just head back up to the left from Batha Place.



activities



GO ON TOUR*

*Prices based on 4 people



MOULAY IDRIS, a holy city 22km from Meknes and 55km Meknes Fez, where the founder of the first Muslim dynasty of North Africa is buried, the Idrissid. Famous for its popular 'moussem' (religious celebration) celebrated every year in late August - early September. It is perched on several hills where the view is exceptional: you can see Volubilis and the surrounding countryside by climbing the narrow streets. Visit the Souk on Saturday and the Festival Beni Amar 14km in June (crafts, music and cinema).

You can also go to Meknes by train for 60dhs/pers and take a shared taxi to Volubilis for around 200dhs.

Moulay Idriss, Volubilis
et Meknes

1000
dhs

VOLUBILIS at the foot of Moulay Idriss, is the most important Roman site in Morocco, and the best preserved. It covers 40 hectares and is listed by UNESCO. A superb visit during sunset or sunrise.

I suggest you take an official guide once there (100dhs)

MEKNES, the city of Moulay Ismael boasting gigantic doors, a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. You can visit the mausoleum of Moulay Ismael, the pottery museum in Rif, Dar Jamai museum, the royal stud...

Once there use the services of a guide for 200dhs in Meknes.

Taza and Tazzeka NATIONAL PARK

For a nature based or sporty day out...

TAZEKKA NATIONAL PARK is located in the northernmost part of the Middle Atlas Mountains, 160 km from Fez. We advise you to leave at 8am to enjoy this day.

The park is part of a remarkable tour with a total length of 76 km, which starts from the town of Taza.

Possibility of trekking: A tour of 20 min for a distance of 1.4 km for the less athletic, 1h30 for a distance of 4.6 km or 4h30 for a distance of 17.3km for the brave.

Climb down half way the Friouato Grottos, a real gulf that opens out onto a open air crater that is 20m in diameter. From this platform, the view is really striking.

Once there, count on 300dhs for a mountain guide. Avoid going there on Friday because the guides are not there...

stop at the Gite at point Ain Bechar if you want to have lunch, but do let them know in advance to ensure they get the necessary supplies!! 😊





SEFROU & FEZ

ARTISANAL TOURS

1500
dhs/2pers

CULTURE VULTURES

Culture Vultures presents an enticing experience for artists and craft-curious folk to discover the world of artisanship in the ancient medinas of Sefrou or Fez, two of the oldest, continuously working medinas in the Islamic world. Crafts include blanket weavers, plough makers, ironmongers, button makers, tailors and wood carvers. Much of the expertise has been passed on from generations and some through the once abundant Jewish culture; a heritage now quickly vanishing.

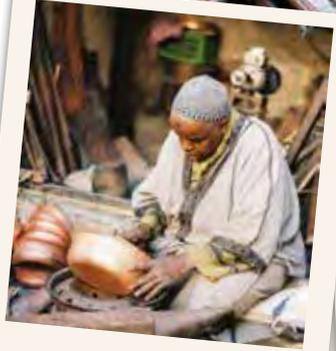
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VIP Guide

HIKING IN THE REGION WITH A VIP GUIDE?

Kamal regained his Moroccan roots after an absence of 29 years in France and Germany. His concept is to devote all his time to allow you to decode Moroccan culture ... Through his hiking / excursions and programmed and spontaneous encounters with local people Kamal engraves in your memories real emotions.

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Moyen Atlas and berbers vilages ♥

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AZROU is a city located in the very heart of the Atlas, at an altitude of 1200m. Its forest of oaks and cedars are a great reason to make a stop here... Again surprisingly, the little 'Nest Egg' monkeys appear out of everywhere and you can buy them peanuts for a few dirhams... Very nice for the small and the big kids.

IFRANE, an excellent tourist town, under the allure of a Swiss village that no one would think to find in the Berber regions. Stop for tea at the beautiful 5 star Hotel Michlifen, lush and totally unexpected! + Toboggan and quad rental possible at Hotel Michlifen.

NB: The Middle Atlas was the first to see the evolution of skiers in Morocco, and it is the city of Azrou who had the privilege to attract top athletes there nearly 75 years ago.

AÏT ALI, on the road to Ain Leuh, stop for lunch at Nerrahte Cottage owned by our dear friend Aziz. He will share with you with ease the simplicity of their daily life and can also take you on excursions in the green hills in the spring....

"Alibaba's cave in the mountains, ideal to find a great carpet Bouchrouite or Handira, mottled throughout Morocco by our friend Aziz". Audrey, interior designer of Riad Anata (page 29).

AÏN LEUH, a large Berber village., is not included in this tour of the Middle Atlas, but we can arrange it for you, if your heart tells you...

The cherry harvest at the end of May, National Ahidouss Arts Festival of the Berbers from the Atlas the first weekend of July where all the Berber tribes are involved, you will discover a unique fantasia and many dance performances and songs.

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Souk Tasting Trails...

Enjoy it
big days or
big night 😊

We'll visit three different food souks allowing the chance to try traditional Moroccan street food including dried meats, milawi, harsha, briwats, spicy sardines, spicy potato cakes, soups, olives and more. At the honey souk where you'll be able to taste an array of delicious wild honeys, so important in Moroccan cooking. We'll investigate traditional cooking methods.

Discover the world of spices, their uses and their secrets, try cooking 'on-street', followed by a tasting tour or learn to bake a bread in a 400 year old community oven with the baker overseeing your hands-on efforts. You can also live this discovery in the early evening. Our «Tasting trail by night» reveals the captivating appeal of the medina as the sun goes down and the locals enjoy the specialities that only the evening offers.

Possible any day of the week except on Friday / Duration: 3.5 hours

*Prices based on 2 people



Overnight Tour Fez-Sahara Desert



DAY 1 : FEZ - MERZOUGA

Through the cedar forests, the Barbary Apes at Ifrane, then the Ziz valley and view the Efous oasis we'll arrive for our first night in Merzouga, the threshold of the Sahara.

DAY 2 : SAHARA DESERT - FEZ

Rise early in the morning to see the amazing sunrise over the dunes before making your way back by camel we'll be taking breakfast before departing back to Fez, the scenery across the Atlas Mountains through the South of Morocco is truly mesmerizing and dramatic.

The scenery across the Atlas Mountains through the south of Morocco is truly mesmerizing...

Includes : Transportation in a deluxe minivan, private English speaking driver/escort available 24 hours for the duration of your tour. Camel Excursion in the Sahara with expert local guide, overnight in the desert in a Berber Bivouac with breakfast & dinner.

Duration: 2 days...

... and even more spectacular on a camel!



7480+ dhs

**Prices based on 2 people*



Count 4 hours trip to get there

CHEFCHAOUEN, otherwise known as the "blue city" is a charming small town of around 400,000 inhabitants located on the slopes of Mount Tisouka Megou and the Rif Cordillera, which rise above the city like two horns, giving its name to the city "Chefchaouen" in Berber means "look at the horns."

At about 660m above sea level and with very little car traffic, breathe in the clear and fresh air.



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dhs

chefchaouen

THE MEDINA OF CHEFCHAOUEN - is fairly quiet and small. When you enter through one of its five doors and get carried away by your senses, you will find yourself inundated with many smells...

The wide variety of colours of the shops and bazaars contrast with the dazzling blue-white houses.

Bask on the terrace of a restaurant or cafe, while observing the comings and goings of passers-by and the beauty of the Grand Mosque and the Kasbah across the way.

A few steps away you can find Makhzan Place, the Parador Hotel and the public car park, where you can take a lane which leads northeast to Bab el-Ansar and the Ras el-Maa , one of the most beautiful places in Chefchaouen.

☺ We also organise tours in the Merzouga desert passing through ouarzazate and Marrakech... ASK US MORE INFO!

coming back to Fez ...

THE FESTIVAL OF WORLD SACRED MUSIC - MAI/JUIN

The most important cultural event in Fez since 18 years, this Festival brings the masses together and aims to contribute to global peace. It is at Bab Machina, a large intimate space in a magical setting, enchanting and timeless, where artists like Ben Harper, Bjork, Joan Baez and many others come to share their talents and passion for music.

www.fezfestival.com



If you came accidentally to Fez, this time, you will not miss to return to live a unique experience!

CULTURAL FESTIVAL OF SOUFIE- IN OCTOBER

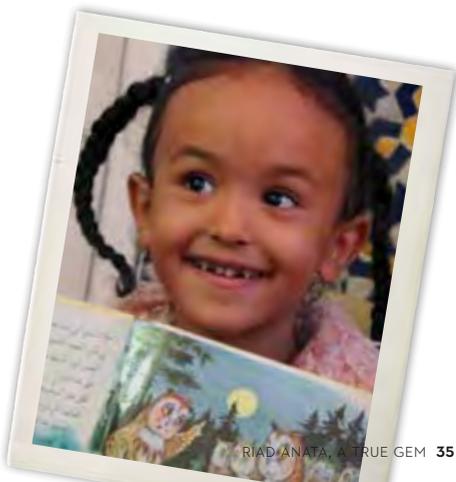
Internationally renowned, this is the most important cultural event in Morocco. Its aim is to discover the artistic wealth inspired by Sufism, the mystery of Islam, through conferences, workshops, painting and calligraphy, singing, music, screenplays, books and various exhibitions.

www.festivalculturesoufie.com/

THE MEDINA CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

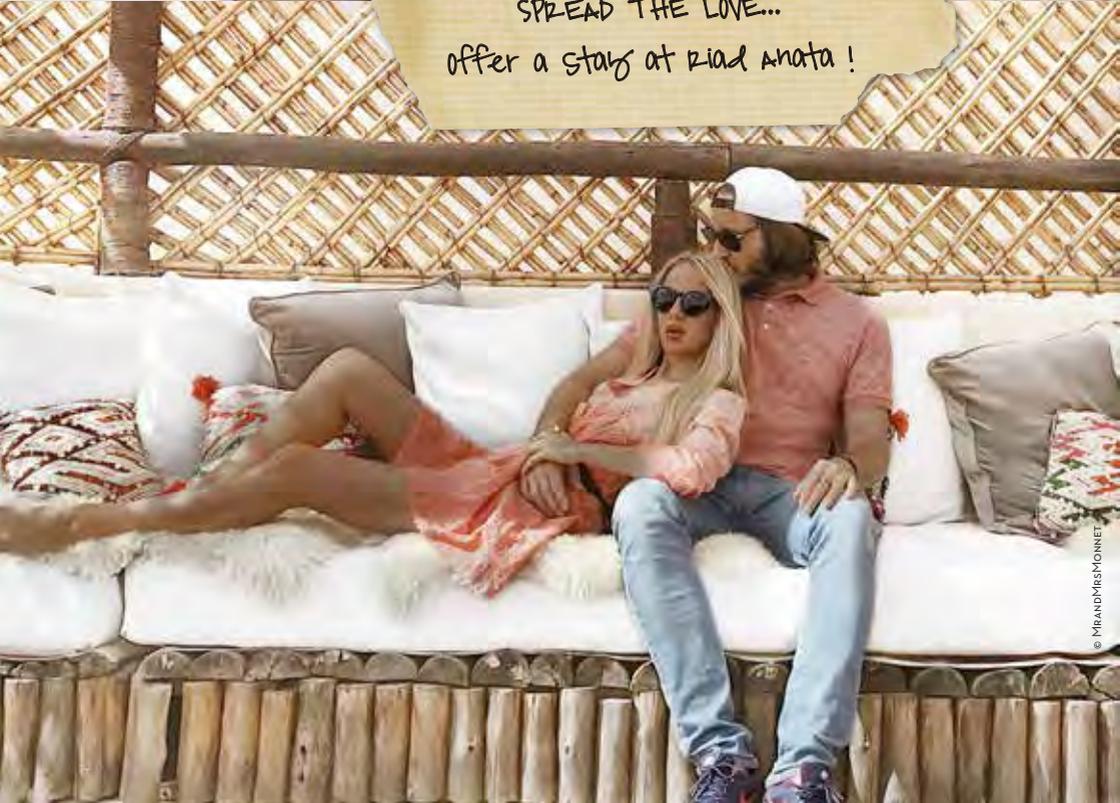
It is the only public library in the Medina and the only children's library in Fez. It offers medina's children to discover books and develop a love of reading. More than 1000 kids are coming to the little library each month. Visitors are welcome so please stop by, maybe read a story to the kids or consider making a small donation. (2m from Riad Laroussa)

www.medinachildrenslibrary.org





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The Medina of Fès

depart from Riad Anata...



Ask Simo or Samira for a map of Medina. For novices, it resembles a real labyrinth!

Enjoy this short city guide that is full of insiders' tips ♥

some useful advice, if you have a smart phone or an Ipad...

use Google Maps to guide you around the Medina!



or from...

The Medina of Fez is 18 km in circumference and boasts 10.000 streets 300.000 inhabitants!



BLUE GATE

At Bab Boujloud (the Blue Gate), you will notice that the Medina divides in two parts:

To the right, the Talaa Skria (the small Talaa) is abound with small shops that are not always very genuine (imitation brands). However, if you persevere and get to the end, you will discover the Quaraouiyyine Mosque and the brotherhoods of artisans: the Najjarine (carpenters), the Seffarine (coppersmiths), and the Chouara tanneries. You will also find Resto 7 and Barcelona. To be tried!

On the left, the Talaa Kgbira (the big Talaa) is abound with the most authentic stalls, food stalls, rose petals, spices, fruits and vegetables and crafts from Fassi. It is in this part of the Medina that you will find the Clock Café. Ideal for a mint tea break!



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