Fez, spiritual capital of the Kingdom of Morocco

Ranked as «World Heritage of Humanity», by Unesco, Fez is also a prized destination thanks to its touristic infrastructures, its renowned gastronomy, its relaxation centres, its medina and its year-round rich cultural life.

A city of memory, Fez is home of an amazing cultural and historic heritage : mosques, medersas, palaces, ryads, foundouks, gates, museums, mausoleums, universities, squares, fountains, galleries, souks and craft art bazaars…

This guidebook will help you discover the many assets of this city, founded in 808 by Moulay Idriss II. The city Fez is a perfect combination of tradition and modernity, while offering the visitor a unique urban setting, a real open-sky museum with its medina, its ramparts and gardens.

The region of Fez Meknes also offers numerous exploring possibilities and socio-cultural activities (waterfalls, lakes, spas, cedar forests, moussem, etc…)

Fez remains the city where berber people and arabo-andalusian populations met and where Muslims, Jews and Christians lived, and still live, together in tolerance and total harmony.

Tourists, businessmen, holidaymaking, families, city breakers, will all find in Fez and region a privileged venue for relaxation, meetings, work, shopping and discovery.

This is what we will try to present in this issue of the Tourist Guidebook.

Enjoy your holiday.
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Fez, the oldest imperial city

Nested in a valley at the foot of the Middle Atlas Mountains, Fez, the prestigious home of Muslim civilization, and cradle of Berber culture and Arabs of Andalusia, fascinates by its historic wealth, the medieval medina of Fez El Bali, its magnificent monuments and its fabulous homes, its medieval medina, the beauty of its monuments and the splendor of its historic homes.

Founded at the end of the 8th century by Idriss II, this ancient city is one of the oldest cities of Islam. Once dubbed the «Athens of Africa», Fez has since its creation been depicted and idolized by poets, historians and chroniclers such as Ibn Khaldoun, Leon l’Africain… and it has hosted numerous scholars from Andalusia such as Ibn Tofail and Ibn Rochd (Averroes) and Maimonide.

The intellectual fame of its Koranic university, its renowned mosque Quaraouyine, its Arabo-Andalusian style monuments, have in the course of time transformed Fez into the religious and cultural centre of Morocco. Its monuments, its walls, the medieval design of its narrow and winding streets, its mosques, palaces, fondouks and medersas
(theological schools) which have emerged over a period of twelve centuries of history, are all equally ornamented: carved wood, chiseled bronze, zelliges (multi-colored tiles), moucharabiehs (wooden arabesque windows), columns and carved plaster. All this art is the evidence of the creative genius and know-how of Moroccan artists - highly-talented craftsmen, from the Orient and Andalusia. Ranked as «Universal Heritage of Humanity» by Unesco since 1981, this museum-city has managed to preserve its traditions over time (lifestyles, mores, customs, etc.) while becoming a modern and very active tourist city with its palaces, hotels, golf courses, restaurants, spas, entertainment and shows…

It is now an inevitable stop for lovers of history and hispano-moorish architecture and for those looking for a real change of scenery at the gates of Europe.
The dynasties succeeded one another in Fez, leaving as legacies magnificent palaces, mosques, gardens and madrasas… That’s how Fez has rapidly become the religious and cultural centre in Morocco.

History

At the end of the 7th century, fleeing the Abassides hegemony in Baghdad, Idriss 1st, descendant of Prophet Sidna Mohammed (Peace be upon Him), took refuge among the Berbers of Central Morocco. Supported by many tribes who declared him King of Morocco, in 789 AD he founded his capital on the right bank of Oued El Jawahir (which later became Oued Fez). When he died, his son Idriss II completed the work on the left bank of the Oued and decided in 809 to establish the seat of the dynasty there. This city became the first Islamic city in the country. A few years later, it welcomed hundreds of political refugees from Andalusia, Cordoba. That population was strengthened by the influx of Jews from Andalusia and seven years later, by 300 families of craftsmen and traders from Kairouan (now Tunis). Fez El Bali is built around the famous mosque of Quaraouyine and other religious, cultural and architectural heritage.

Under the reign of the Almoravides, especially that of Youssef Ben Tachfine, Fez went through a cultural and artistic development crowned by the construction of the College of Almoravide patients, a madrasa doted with a
library, and by the reopening of the Saharan gold trail. In the mid-12th century, the Almohade Sultan Abd El Moumen took over the city «visited by travelers from all over the world».

Its inhabitants traded with Spain, Central Maghreb, the Sahara, the Orient and even with some Christian countries. The city was then thriving. In 1250, Fez became once again the capital of the Merinid Empire for two centuries. With the Merinide dynasty, Fez was at the height of its glory. The Merinide rulers created a new city called Al - Medina Al - Bayda (the white city), from where they exerted their power. Another name was given, «Fez El Jdid» in opposition to «Fez El Bali».

They introduced the new official institution, namely the medersa, meant to spread the Malekite doctrine and to form a team of officials for Justice, Administration and Government. Finally, they provided the city with new equipment : foundouks, fountains, public baths, furnaces, mills, bridges, etc… Fez would then know its golden age in the early 14th century. In the second half of the 15th century, the city was hit by the unrest prevailing in the kingdom at the end of the Merinide dynasty. Fez was affected by the advent of the new dynasty Beni Wattas in 1471, and the arrival of Muslims and Jews expelled from Spain in 1492, and indirectly by the arrival of the Portuguese in the Atlantic harbors.

In 1666, Moulay Rachid restored order, gave a boost to trade and once again chose Fez as the capital. After a long period of turmoil in the first half of the 18th century, the city regained its peace and prestige.

In competition with the burgeoning economic activity of Casablanca in the 19th century, Fez kept its religious, intellectual and commercial influence.
The Idrisside Kingdom

After the death of Sidna Mohammed (Peace be upon Him) in 632, several endless succession wars punctuated the history of Islam. Fratricidal war was waged by Idriss Ben Abdellah, a descendant of Fatima and Ali (daughter and son-in-law of Sidna Mohammed, Peace be upon Him) against the Abassides of Baghdad. In order to escape from the bloody reprisals of Calife Haroun Al Rachid, Idriss took refuge in Morocco, in the city of Walili (Volubilis). The recently-Islamized Berber tribes, enthralled by that pious scholar, proclaimed him their leader and imam (788). The alliance was sealed by the marriage of Idriss with a Berber princess, Lalla Kenza. Haroun was so furious when he learnt about the creation of this independent kingdom that he had Idriss 1st poisoned in 791. His posthumous son Idriss II was then recognized as the new «cherif» (title given to the descendants of the Prophet, Peace be upon Him) in 809: the first Moroccan dynasty was born. Idriss II continued his father’s work. He exerted his authority on other regions and provided his kingdom with an organized State. Fez was proclaimed the capital and hosted numerous immigrants from Cordoba and Kairouan who turned the city into an intellectual and spiritual mecca. Idriss II died in 828, his descendants questioned their father’s unification policy.

Although weakened by endless wars of succession, the Idrissides were declared Calife of Cordoba at the beginning of the 11th century. However, the division of Spain caused their decline and their end in 1055, date when Sijilmassa was stormed by reformist conquerors, the Almoravides.
Strolling in the medina, even for Fez residents, requires knowing and remembering all the many gates.

A medieval city founded in 809 by the Idrissides, «Fez El Bali» is the cradle of Berber and Arabo-Andalusian culture and is the historic hub of the city and of the kingdom. Today, with its neighbourhoods, souks, mosques, medersas and buildings, Fez houses a unique heritage.

There are different routes for discovering Fez El Bali. We recommend that you walk across the history of the city through three main gates - Bab Boujloud, Bab Ftouh or Bab El Ghissa.

**The gates**

**Bab Boujloud**
Built in the 12th century by the Almohades, Bab Boujloud is one of the most beautiful gates of the medina of Fez with its blue and green earthenware, its cedar wood and carved stucco. Restored in 1912, the gate opens on the neighbourhood which holds the same name, and from there, you can get to the Bou Inania medersa and the mosque Sidi Lazaz.

**Bab Ftouh**
This gate was erected by the second son of the emir Zénète Dounas, on the site of a more ancient gate. It was rebuilt under the reign of Sidi Mohamed Ben Abdallah, in the mid-18th century.

**Bab El Guissa**
This monumental gate is a fine example of the sober architectural trend, it was built as the name suggests, by the zenete Prince Agissa Ibn Dounas. The particular fact of neighborhood proximity is generated by the holding of a bustling souk of domestic birds, where passionate Breeders will come together every Friday morning.
The Medersa

The Quaraouiyine University
It is the oldest medersa. Founded in the 9th century, it is the oldest university in Moroccan history where about 300 students followed different courses (legal studies, grammar, theology, Koranic law,...) delivered by well-known professors at that time. In the 10th century, the library was supplied with 30,000 books, among them 10,000 manuscripts. The university also owns a 9th century-handwritten Koran, a manuscript by Ibn Rochd (Averroes) dating back to 1320 and another one the Muqaddima offered by Ibn Rochd himself.

Bou Inania Medersa
It is the most visited theological school by the tourists in Fez.
Built in the 14th century by the sultan Abou Al Hassan of the Merinide dynasty, it stands out with its minaret, its enameled earthenware mosaics and its dazzling carved cedar wood ceiling.

Opposite the medersa, you can see the hydraulic clock of Boui Inania, dating back to 1357. The medersa is open daily from 8.30am to 12am - 11am on Fridays - and from 2.30pm to 6.30pm. Admission fee payable.
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Sahrij Medersa
This Koranic school was built in the Andalusian neighbourhood of the medina, between 1321 and 1323, by prince Abou el Hassan Ali under the reign of the Merinides. It also used to host the students of Al Qaraouiyine University. Brilliant and coloured, this residence contains a basin dedicated to ablutions. There is an aura of peace and serenity in the building, feelings that do not fail to overwhelm the visitors while exploring the place. was recently renovated as part of the restoration program of the historic monuments of the Medina of Fez, at the initiative of His Majesty King Mohammed VI.

Cherratine Medersa
This monument was built in 1670 during the reign of the 1st Alaouite sultan Moulay Rachid. Meant to accommodate students and teachers who were not from Fez, this medersa is noticeably plain and sober. Besides, it is different from the other 14th century Merinied dynasty medersas. The medersa houses 125 cells divided into three levels all along the galleries protected from sight by moucharabiehs. It could seat 300 students from the Qaraouiyine university.

Attarine Medersa
The Medersa Attarine is located opposite the mosque Al Qaraouiyine and close
to the Attarine souk (spice merchants). It was built in the 14th century by the Merinides under the reign of sultan Abou Said (between 1323 and 1325). Meant to host about 60 students, this medersa is considered by historians as the most refined Koranic school in the Muslim world especially because of its splendid architecture, its mosaics, its cedar wood ceiling, its gates and its calligraphy. The medersa has been restored several times, and it is open daily from 8.30am to 12am, and from 2.30pm to 6.30pm.

Admission fee payable.

Seffarine Medersa
It was built in a traditional style in 1280 near Oued Fez on the Saffarine square by the Merinide sultan Abou Youssef. From the square, you can access Misbahiya Medersa, built in 1340 on the order of the Merinide sultan Abou Al Hassan. Not far from there, you can find the fondouk Tsetaoui, «Tetouanis», which dates back to the 14th century and which used to accommodate the Tetouani students of Al Qaraouiyine university. The Seffarine (brassware workers) square also leads to the very rich library of Al Qaraouiyine University. From Seffarine square, you can walk to the dyers street where you will find small workshops where wool and cotton skins are still dyed in caldrons. That street leads to the Sidi El Aouad bridge and from there to the Andalusian neighbourhood.

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The Mosques and Zaouias

Moulay Idriss Zaouia
It is the oldest holy place in Fez. It houses the grave of Moulay Idriss II, the founder of Fez and of the Idrisside dynasty. It is open throughout the year for Muslim visitors and once a year, in September, a moussem is organized to pay tribute to the city patron saint.

Al Qaraouiyine Mosque
The Qaraouiyine mosque was built in 857 in the Qaraouiyine neighbourhood where refugees from Kairouan, Tunisia, used to live. They settled on that bank of Oued Fez in the 9th century. Built under the reign of the Idrissides by Fatima Al Fihria, daughter of a wealthy Kairouan merchant in 933, it became the main mosque in the city.

Andalusian Mosque
The Andalusian Mosque was built in 861 within the Andalusian neighbourhood in the «Adouat Al Andalous» area by Meryem Al Fihria, the sister of Fatima Al Fihria.

The mosque, which used to be a mere oratory, has undergone many changes over the time. In 956, a minaret was added, modeled on its rival Al Qaraouiyine.

Between 1203 and 1207, it was almost entirely rebuilt by the Almohade sultan, and was enriched with a fountain in 1306 and a library.
You can access to it past the Chouaara tanneries or Bab Ftouh. From the Andalusian mosque, you can get to Sidi Bou Ghaleb mausoleum.

**Sidi Ali Boughaleb Mausoleum**
This great saint was from Andalusia. He studied and taught in Fez in the early 12th century. Numerous families go there on the occasion of their son’s circumcision. Every year, a Moussem takes place where the saint’s followers meet.

**Sidi Ahmed Tijani Zaouia and Mosque**
It is one of the most famous and eclectic zaouia in the history of Africa and the Maghreb. It was founded by the Sufi Cheikh Sidi Ahmed Tijani (1150 AH/1737-1738) in the Blida area of the medina of Fez twenty years after the creation of the Tijanya Tariqa. The Tariqa’s (spiritual path) followers flock from about 40 countries and meet in Fez every year in a forum organized by the Ministry of Habous and Islamic Affairs.
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Both the zaouia and the mosque are near Al Qaraouiyine mosque. The plain-looking Tijania Zaouia, where Cheikh Sufi rests, was restored in 1302, 1307 and 1316 as well as in 1999 and 2006.

By walking down Talaâ Kebira Street, you will find the house of Ibn Khaldoun who was a famous Arab historian, sociologist and philosopher.

Moulay Idriss Mzara
A building with a small minaret and located near Cherablyine mosque, this venue is sacred for the Moulay Idriss Zaouia’s followers. The legend claims that Moulay Idriss stopped there for a rest and decided to found the city of Fez on the very spot. It was restored under the Saadian reign in the 16th century.

Cherablyine Mosque
It was founded in the 19th century by the Merinide sultan Abou El Hassan and was restored by the sultan Moulay Sliman between 1793 and 1823.

Today it is closed, awaiting restoration.
The Fondouks (caravanserai)
The fondouks in Fez are located all along the main alleys of the medina (talaâ elkbira, talaâ sghira, ras cherratine, nejarine, sefah) close to the main gates (bab boujloud, bab elguissa, bab ftouh).

The most famous ones are:

Peaussiers Fondouk (Skin traders Fondouk)
In the courtyard of that Fondouk, you can see sheep hides drying before undergoing the tanning process. It is a square-shaped building, with an open-sky courtyard surrounded by a gallery.

That gallery is sustained by brick pillars and it leads to rooms for the storage of the products or for craft art work.

Nejarine Fondouk (Carpenters Fondouk)
The fondouk used to host foreigners who stopped by in the city. On the ground-floor, the moucharabieh-ornamented galleries, divided into cells, used to accommodate the animals. The hosts occupied the upstairs rooms.

The building which, according to historians, dates back to the 18th century, was completely restored by «Karim Lamrani Foundation». The Foundouk houses henceforth the Museum of Arts and Wood Craft Trade. It is open every day from 10am to 5.30pm. Admission fee payable.

Staoniyyine Fondouk
It was built in the 17th century close to the Qaraouiyyine mosque. Today, it houses small workshops and warehouses.
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Museums

Dar Batha Museum
This museum abounds with many treasures from Fez, among them a collection of ceramics made in the pure Fassi tradition, coins from the dynasties’ era, rugs and jewels from the Middle Atlas as well as numerous other Hispano-Moorish archeological pieces dating back to the 9th century.
This ancient palace built in the 18th century by the Alaoui king Moulay El Hassan 1st (1874-1894) was turned into a museum by royal decree in 1915. The museum is 5 min away from Bab Boujloud. It is open every day, except Tuesday, from 9:30 to 12:00 am and from 2:30 to 6:00 pm. Admission fee payable.

Dar Al Batha Palace
This former palace lies on the edge of Fez El Bali (ancient fez) and Fez Jdid. It houses the Museum of Arts and Traditions of Fez. The palace was built by Moulay Al Hassan and Moulay Abdelaziz.
Installed in eleven rooms, collections are arranged by theme: book art, pottery, copper, wood, weaving and embroidery, rural arts, collection of doors, zellige of art and religious and funerary arts.

The Belghazi Museum
It was originally a large 17th-century riad. It was turned into a museum by the Belghazi family and it is the first private museum accredited by the government.
It houses collections of gold jewels, vintage clothing, 18th century ceramics, Andalusian or Berber music instruments, damascened weapons and also rugs and embroidery.

The museum is open every day from 9.30am to 12am and from 2.30pm to 5.30pm. Admission fee payable.

The Souks (markets)

The souks encompass diverse kinds of trade and craftsmen organized into different sectors of activity. Alleys on both sides of TalâaKebira Street lead to old Fondouks where the city craftsmen work. From there, you can get to the «Attarine» souk, the spices market, the «Henna» souk where plants for hair dye and treatment and for hand care are sold, as well as «khol» for eye-make up and «ghassoul» used for washing the hair. Also, worth visiting, the «Nejjarine» souk with its carpenters’ workshops as well as the dazzling fountain Nejjarine with its enameled earthenware mosaic pond, protected by a cedar-made canopy covered with green tiles.
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The Tanners’neighbourhood
Also called «Chouhara», that neighbourhood is one of the most spectacular sites. From Sefraaine square, those tanneries have been established since the Middle Ages close to Oued Fez, which provides the water needed for the skins’ processing.

The Kissarias (traditional shopping arcades)
You will find all the precious goods shops there selling fabrics, silk, caftans (Moroccan dresses), jewels,… Fez is also well-known for its silk articles and gold-thread embroidery.
Dar Mnebhi
From Talâa Seghira, you can get to Dar Mnebhi, a gorgeous traditional home which was Marshal Lyautey’s residence when he arrived in Fez in 1912. Today, it houses a restaurant and a bazaar.

The Borj Sud (Borj South)
That stronghold was built by Christian slaves under the reign of sultan Ahmed El Mansour Ed Dehbi (1578-1603).

The North Borj
That contemporary stronghold of North Borj accommodates the Museum of weapons arms are displayed in chronological order in eleven successive rooms, from the carved stone to the cannon. It is open every day from 9am to 1pm except on Tuesdays. Admission fee payable.

The Merinides’ Tombs
The majority of the Merinide tombs dates back to the 14th century and is mostly in a shabby state. They form a romantic background to one of the most beautiful views in Fez.

Other monuments worth visiting
Fez Jdid (New Fez)… Following the Merinides’ tracks

Built in 1276 by the Merinids, “Fez la Nouvelle” or Fez Jdid was the capital of Morocco for centuries until the French established the government in Rabat. The neighbourhood encompasses several monuments, among them:

**The Royal Palace**
The palace was built in the 13th century. It opens onto the Alaouites Square, a huge esplanade laid out in 1968. The palace was enlarged and restored in the Moorish style many times during the Alaouite dynasty. That 80-hectare mansion is home to many palaces, strongholds, a menagerie, a mosque, a "koubba" and a medersa (theological school), founded by the Merinides in 1320, and the huge Lalla Mina gardens.

**Bab Dekakene**
Dating back to the 14th century, (Tribunal Door), it is an impressive fortified gate in Fez Jdid. It is thus called because that was the place where criminals were tried, hanged and sometimes impaled as a warning to potential infidels.

According to the legend, the Merinide prince Abu Yousouf, the founder of Fez Jdid in 1276, started the construction of the city by resorting to the best craftsmen, skilled workers and astrologers. That huge site quickly turned into a flourishing city and into a new pole for the Muslim West. The wide artery of Fez Jdid is worth seeing mainly because of its bustling popular souks.
Fez Jdid (New Fez)…
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Bab Semmarine
It is a multiple-arch high gate rebuilt in 1924, the real gateway to Fez Jdid. Inside, you will discover houses built in a style different from what is common in Fez as well as a row of shops offering a wide range of fabrics: fabrics for furniture, for djellabas and caftans,…

The Mellah
The Mellah is considered the oldest neighbourhood of the Jews who fled the Spanish Inquisition. According to historians, it was established in 1438 in the kasbah of the sultan’s Syrian bowmen in the early 13th century.

Now abandoned by most Fez Jewish families, the Mellah is occupied by Muslim families. But it still retains the architecture and hallmark of Jewish families who lived and worked there for centuries.

Danan Synagogue
That prayer venue was built at the end of the 17th century. It used to belong to a rabbi family, the Danans, whose Fassi descendants date back to the 14th century. Ibn Danan Synagogue is one of the showpieces of Jewish culture in Morocco.

the Small Mechouar
Surrounded by high walls, it is partly erected above Oued Fez (river) and before the impressive gate to Dar el Makhzen, Bab Dekakene. On the right, through a pathway in the wall, at a 150-meter distance, you can see a big bucket conveyor, built in 1287 by the Andalusians.
Moulay Abdellah Mosque
That mosque bears its founder’s name (18th century). It is home to a sanctuary, a medersa and a necropolis. Its 25-meter high minaret is decorated with green ceramic vertical bands and topped with four balls.

The necropolis was refurbished by Sidi Mohamed Ben Abderrahman in the 19th century. It is the resting place of kings from the present Alaouite dynasty: Moulay Abdellah (1732-1757), Moulay Youssef (1912-1927) and the remnants of Moulay Hafid, in 1930, and Moulay Abdelaziz, in 1942, were transferred there.

The Old Mechouar
You can reach it through Bab Seba, which used to protect the entrance of the imperial palace.

It is door seven, Moulay Abdellah’s seven brothers, who successively occupied the throne in the 18th century. That old site is dominated by Bab Al Makina high walls where, in 1886, an arm factory was created by an Italian mission on sultan Moulay Hassan’s initiative.

It was restored and now is used as a conference and concerts hall, especially during the Festival of World Sacred Music. At the other end of the old Mechouar Bab Segma has kept only the old tower of the Merinide door of 1315.
Fez…
The new city

The modern city of Fez

With its broad avenues and boulevards, its buildings and its buzzing activity, the modern city of Fez looks like the other Moroccan cities, or European cities.

Many of its neighbourhoods were erected during the French protectorate and can be identified by their art déco style.

Most administration offices, banks and tourist utilities are to be found in the area of Place de Florence, Mohammed V, Hassan II and Mohamed Slaoui Avenues.

The modern city houses several new districts which attract not only residential but commercial and service activities as well.

A new city-plan has been set up so that the city retains its harmony.
Far from being restrictive, each topic is presented more as a guideline, a focus around which many other testimonies of history and Moroccan culture.

Three types of signs have been set up to guide visitors throughout the tour:

- **Information panels**: Located at the ends of the various circuits, these panels enable foremost, an indication of the geographical location indicated on the map, to locate within the medina. With the circuitry, information panels provide visibility of different courses, their intersection and the succession of attractions that compose them.

- **Orientation panels**: Guiding through the maze of the medina, the numbered panels and colors chosen circuits allow you to easily discover the various major attractions. Double face, they indicate the start and finish of the course, for the progress report on the tour, they also indicate the direction of travel.

- **Interpretation panels**: Placed near major attractions, interpretive panels present succinct historical and cultural information about the monuments, public spaces or to selected commercial spaces. For the interpretation of the craft heritage, they describe the sales rooms, production areas and the involvement of artisans in the architectural witnesses of the medina. Placed to illustrate the matter, photographs accompany the text.

Translated in three languages, French, English and Arabic, these panels yearn for maximum readability.
On each panel, a QR code is inserted. In the scanning you can access the following information:

- The location of the attraction on the interactive map
- A more detailed content
- The media center of attraction
- The testimonies of craftsmen, guides, people.

Far from wanting to claim to completeness, these thematic tours will always remain on the margins of the traditional visit to the medina.

With an official tourist guide your first steps in the city will be guided by a professional field, who will present the many facets of this mysterious space that is the medina. Further, thematic tours allow you, you wish to leave yourself in the Medina and you focus more on a specific theme.

**Walls and fortifications**

Circuit of duration 2 to 3 hours
Available by bus, car or taxi
Access points: Gate of the Royal Palace Bab-Ftouh
Main steps: Walls of the Royal Palace - Bab Sagma - Mausoleum Abu Baker Ibn Arabi - Kasbah Chrarda and walls - Borj Nord - Training Centre - South Borj

Punctuating the urban landscape of the medina and its surrounding walls, borjs and kasbah is until today a unique architectural ensemble.

Erected to protect residents and jewels concealed in the city of Fez through the centuries, they mark their presence through the succession of different dynasties. Their defensive role being supported by the technical and artistic care allocated for their construction, they
also illustrate the evolution over time of construction techniques and skills of artisans in the development of military architecture. Piercing the ramparts, monumental gates like Bab Al Sagma or Mahrouq or other ornate, are sure to spark your interest. At the foot of the sets extends Fassi countryside and hills, green in winter, ocher in summer.

Knowledge and Know-fair
Circuit lasting 3h
Achievable on foot
Access points:
Mosque Al-Anwar / Mosque and Madrasa Bab El Guissa
Main stages: Al-Anwar Mosque
- Mosque An Andalous
- Madrasa Sbaiyine - Madrasa Sahrij
- Mosque El Wad - Souq Seffah
- Workshop leather craftsmen - Bridge and up Bin Lemdoun - Tannery
Chouara - Derb Touil - Embroidery workshop and weaving Zaouiat Sidi Ahmed Tijani - brocade workshop - Al Achabine.
Combining the knowledge of the mind to the dexterity of hands, this circuit draws between the two sides of the medina the path of Knowledge. Its transmission through the different attractions is available both in places dedicated to spiritual knowledge as well as spaces dedicated to manual and technical expertise.

Thus madrasahs in mosques, madrasahs of workshops, culture and knowledge would join your walk. On one end to the other of the medina, this tour takes you from the shore of the Andalusians to the bank of the Qaraouyine.

The spiritual capital city of Knowledge, Fez has long hosted within its walls many students and scholars worldwide. Built to accommodate these students, many madrasas (schools) as Sahrij and Sbaiyine are further expression of the creative genius and the meticulous work of generations of craftsmen.

Alongside these residential schools, will shine for centuries the influence of the mosque al-Quaraouiyine University, the first comprehensive university in the world.
Monuments and Souks
Circuit duration of 4h
Achievable on foot
Access points: Place Boujloud - Place Reif
Main steps: Complex Bou’Inania
- Talâa Sghira
- Nejarine Complex
- Mausoleum Moulay Idriss
- Fondouk El Berka
- Fondouk Chemmaïne and Sbityine - Dar El Mouaqqit
- Mosque Al Qaraouyine
- Fondouk Staouniyine - Library Qaraouyine - Place Seffarine - Seffarine Madrasa
- El’Aouadine - Place Reif.

Browsing the high places of the built heritage of the city of Fez, including the Mausoleum of Moulay Idriss or the Mosque al Qaraouyine, this circuit, starting from Bab Boujloud (Blue Door) and arriving at Place Reif, will allow you to browse the medina from west to east, while going through his heart. You will discover the artisanal districts like the street of dyers (Sebbaghine) instead of coppersmiths (Seffarine), the Nejarine complex, dedicated to the wood and many fondouks and caravanserais, home to craft activities. This circuit will allow visitors to admire, through renowned buildings, symbols of the identity of the medina of Fez and appreciate the invaluable work done by the craftsmen of old days. Numerous crafts presented in many souks and crossed fondouks along the road will give you an idea of the dexterity of the artisans of today, worthy successors of their predecessors.

Palaces and Andalusian gardens
Circuit lasting 3h
Tours

Achievable on foot
Access points: Garden Jnane Sbil - Access Ain Azliten
Main steps: Batha Museum - Dar Pacha Tazi - C.I.P.A - Palace Abdeslmen Moqri - Riad Driss Moqri - Dar Adiyel - Palace Mnebhi - Dar Ba Mohamed Cherqui - Tannery Ain Azliten

This tour invites you to discover the various testimonies of more recent times of the medina, inviting you to stroll along shady streets lined with exceptional homes and many green spaces. The road starts by crossing the magnificent Garden Jnane Sbil, and continues towards the walled garden of the Batha Museum. A little further, the corner of an alley, sumptuous residences open their doors to the walker, like the Palace Abdeslam Moqri, Driss Moqri Riad, Dar Adiyel and Mnebhi Palace. Reflecting the architectural styles of the 18th and 19th centuries, these living spaces dignitaries in the Alaouite dynasty, have now been renovated in combination with (Fez Saiss) Learning Centre (CIPA) or restaurant (Palace Mnebhi).

The circuit, after crossing the streets Talâa Sghira and Talaa Kbira, ends in Ain Azliten (source Azliten) where there are many riads, surrounded by green landscapes, a traditional tannery and a flea market.

Craft
Circuit duration of 4h
Achievable on feet
Access points: Place Boujloud - Place Lalla Yeddouna
Main steps: Talâa Kbira - Qaat Smen - Fondouk Tazi - Souk Ain Allo - Souk el Bellagine - Seqqatine - Souk el Henna - Souk Attarine - Five souks and Qissariat Kifah al - Madrasa Attarine - Madrasa Misbahya - Rue Mechatine

A meeting of the object, but more with the human, exploring this road will put you into contact with these men working every day to create thousand of objects encountered at the turn of streets of the medina. Beyond mere ornament, each piece falls from a tradition and know-how from a long learning and a meticulous work.

Of great diversity, Fassi craft will be unveiled here with small touches: leather
work through the textile or through visiting heritage buildings, that will allow you to detect some of its wealth. Go especially to encounter atypical work, working horn in Mechatine street or even the stool horse works in Seqqatine street. Marvels also face the finesse and delicacy of embroidery silks of Qissariat, large shopping hall dedicated to textiles. Witness the flourishing business of the medina of Fez, the fondouks Qaat Smen Tazi and you will be present at the Souk of El henna, where we can observe the pottery blue faience, the iconic craft region of Fez.

Fez Jdid
Circuit lasting 2 hours
Achievable on foot
Access points:
- Gate of the Royal Palace
- Place Moulay Al Hassan
- Bab Semmarine - Jamaa
- Al-Hamra - Rue Fez Jdid
- Synagogue Al Fassiyine

More than the discovery of a neighborhood, this novice circuit at the gate of the Royal Palace and ending place Moulay Hassan, offers the visit of a real city, Fez Jdid, new town or white royal city of the 13th century which was built to accommodate the residence of the new ruling Merinide dynasty

A special feature of this space is to have contained the first Jewish neighborhood of Morocco, the Mellah. Artisans and expert traders, Jews have left their mark on this area by the construction of numerous synagogues, such as Ibn Danan Synagogue or the Synagogue Al Fassiyine. Beyond the Mellah and after crossing the monumental Bab Semmarine, your steps will lead you in the busy shopping street Fez Jdid, which gives access to the majestic Place Moulay Al Hassan, beyond the Garden Jnane Sbil.
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They stopped by in Fez
The city was the must-stop of historic personalities and scholars who received and transmitted knowledge, and thanks to them the city became one of the most prestigious cultural centres in the Muslim West.

Ibn Rochd - Averroes
(Philosopher, 1126-1198)
Averroes is the name under which the Arab-Spanish philosopher and scholar was known in the Western countries. He is the most renowned Arab-speaking medieval thinker. Author of the famous comments on Aristotle, he developed a critical method of analysis of the Koran which helps to relativize its literal interpretation, and provide a better understanding of the texts of the Revelation. This clear work blocked the way to so called fundamentalism or “integrism” which affects only blinded minds.
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Ibn Arabi
(Philosopher, 1165-1240)
Abou Bakr Mohammed Muhyi-al-din, a philosopher, theologian and mystical poet, born in Murcia, Spain, in 1165, died in 1240 in Damascus (Syria). He received a traditional Koranic education, and at an early age he felt attracted by mysticism which led him to dedicate his entire life to God through Sufism, of which he became a predominant personality. The influence of Sufism on Muslim theology became even more important thanks to Ibn Arabi’s works. He had allegedly written more than 150 books. Only 10 of them are available now. At the age of 60, he settled down in Damascus where he wrote the main part of the preserved work. His theories, his vision of God and of the world have left their mark on Islam and guided not only the Sufi mystic but the whole Muslim philosophy.

Ibn Khaldoun
(Sociologist, 1331-1406)
Ibn Khaldoun one of the title historians in the Arab-Muslim world, he was one of the main theologians of the history of civilizations. He is often considered as the pioneer of modern sociology.
Maïmonide  
(Philosopher, 1135-1204)  
His Hebrew name was Rabi Moshé Ben Maïmonide. He is regarded as one of the greatest models of the Jewish-Muslim thought, conciling tradition, the Revelation, philosophy and science.

A Spanish scholar, writing in Arabic, Maïmonide is the symbol of medieval Muslim Andalusia where intellectual effervescence and a certain harmony were prevalent between the members of the three religions of the Book, who lived together for centuries.

His works are still studied not only by students and scholars in the Jewish world, for whom they were originally meant, but also by Muslim and Christian thinkers, «the guide for the perplexed » drafted in Arabic.

Colette (French writer and journalist, 1873-1954)  
Gabrielle Sidonie Colette was born at Saint-Sauveur-en - Puisaye (Burgundy) in January 1873. She was from a modest family, inherited her passion for literature from her father. Colette didn’t hesitate to embark on the journey to Morocco, sent by Paris-Soir to report on the criminal court-trial of Oum-el-Hassen, a brothel owner, accused of having murdered prostitutes.  
In 1945, Colette was elected a member of the Goncourt Academy. She died in August 1955 in Paris.
Pierre Loti (French writer, 1850-1923)
Julien Viaud was his real name. He was a naval officer, he traveled a lot and was above all a novelist. In the personal account of his journey while a member of the embassy when he was sent to Fez in 1889, Pierre Loti portrayed the African Athens in an Orientalist-like style. From the fabulous reception given by Sultan Moulay Hassan to the prohibited terraces reserved for women, it was essential that light shone on ruins to enthral the famous traveler who regarded himself Arab in some way.

Pierre Loti, an unfailing traveler in an forever nostalgic mood, depicted the journey he made between April and May 1889 in Morocco. The purpose of that journey was to accompany the Minister Patenôtre on a diplomatic mission in order to meet the Moroccan king, in the capital Fez, which was then a holy city.

Loti described his adventures across Tangier, Fez and Meknes.

He grew fond of the country’s scenery and gave us dazzling descriptions of the landscapes he crossed. He also loved the culture of Moroccans, an heterogeneous people (Berbers, Arabs, Jews,…) strongly tied to their tradition. Loti willingly neglected the political affairs for which he had come to Morocco.

A city of art
Andalusian Music,
The Arab-Andalusian music is the result of a mixture of Arab music originating from the Eastern Arabia, the African-Berber music of the Maghreb and the music from the Iberian Peninsula in 711, during the reign of the Umeyyads (661-750), when Tariq Ibn Zyad conquered the Iberian Peninsula to celebrate the glory of Islam and to implement Arab-Muslim civilization. That art contributed to the enrichment of Spanish folklore and later on produced flamenco. Moroccan Andalusian music is a lyrical and instrumental repertory which has been transmitted for centuries through an outstanding music tradition. In order to enhance the vocal part, this tradition combines the modal theory of the tubas with a specific system of rhythmic patterns. It represents the classical secular music. It is under the name of «tarab-al-âla», or simply «al-âla», as the

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classical repertory of Moroccan Noubas was known until the Orientalists spread their works, adopting when they spoke of that set of patterns of words like «Moroccan Andalusian music», «Moroccan Arab-Andalusian music», «Maghreb-Andalusian music» or «Hispano-Muslim music». In a notorious article, Professor Mohamed El Fassi settled that issue without solving it for good. He pointed out that the word «Andalusian music» was inadequate as it denied the Moroccans their contribution to the birth and development of the Nouba when we know that the present repertory owes them a lot. It was then necessary to keep the original name Al-âla the people used in opposition to the Samâ : the word Al-alâ refers to a song performed with instruments ; the word Samâ refers to a group of voices. Therefore, the words al-Alâ, tarab-al-Alâ, Andalusian - to enhance the historic feature of the origin and development of the Andalusian style - fassya (from fez) or tetouanya (from Tetouan) are used only in colloquial language whereas the scholars’ references and the manuscripts mention the word «Moroccan Andalusian music», «Moroccan-Arab-Andalusian music», or the words tubu or nouba.

The Moroccan Nouba

The Nouba is an Andalusian musical mode. It consists of a sequel of poems performed in chants and with instruments (muwashaha, zajal, shughl, barwal) with intervals of free or timed musical and instrumental pieces. There is a musical introduction prior to the performance. The Nouba is sung in one voice by the instrumentalists in heterophony (mixed voices). It is composed of a series of movements (five in Morocco) which are not necessarily interpreted in the same performance. Each movement adopts a specific rhythmic pattern that moves from the slowest cycle to faster movements.
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The Nouba is based on the mode notion called «tab» (character) which ensures the Nouba its consistency and identity. It is directed by one melodic mode but other secondary and discreet modes are added. There never is any sudden variation.

Actually, there are no standardized interpretations of each Nouba, they are different according to the tradition and the performers.

Popular Berber music and songs
If one refers to the great scholar Ibn Khaldoun, one can distinguish among the Berbers of Morocco three main groups: Sanhaja, Masmouda and Zenata. The Sanhaja would have constituted a geographically dispersed group, which is found in the Rif, the Atlas; in the Saharian regions there are the southern Sanhaja who gave birth to the Almoravide dynasty in the 11th century. As for Masmouda they were, until the 11th century AD, predominant in the mountains Atlas and Rif, and in the Atlantic regions; they gave birth in the 12th century to the Almohade dynasty. The Zenata finally have arrived later, from the steppes of North Africa, long confined to eastern Morocco, they took advantage of the weakening of the Almohade dynasty in the late 13th century to seep towards the West and found the Merinides. This ethnic mix of the settlement of the kingdom is at the origin of the richness and diversity of its millennium musical and artistic repertoire.

The Aïssawas
It’s a brotherhood located essentially in the region of Fez and Meknes. The brotherhood of Aïssawas was founded in the 16th century by Sidi Mohamed Ben Aissa, also known as Cheikh Al Kamel. It is said that when he died in 1526, one of his followers who was deeply upset entered into a trance and lacerated his clothes and body.

Being in such a state, he even devoured a sheep and a goat (he devoured them live). That legend accounts for two major practices of the brotherhood: the «hadra» (collective practice of trance) and the «frissa», a specific Aïssawa characteristic consisting of eating a live animal.

The most important moussem of the Aïssawas is held each year in Meknès near Cheikh
Al Kamal sanctuary, on the occasion of the celebration of the anniversary of the Prophet Sidna Mohammed’s birth (Peace be upon Him).

The Aïssawas also visit homes on families’ demand. The «hilâ» (the night) is a musical night of songs and «hadrâ» for celebrating a happy event, for appealing to the Cheikh Al Kamal’s baraka (luck), or for solving a tricky problem. During the hadra, the name of God and prayers are said tirelessly until the body, then the soul, are taken away to finally reach trance.

Sufi chants
The Sufis have developed two ceremonies combining music to their spiritual quest :

“The Samaâ” means hearing. It is a ceremony characterized by prayers, music and dances which lead to the state of grace and ecstasy.

Its music is mainly sung, its instrumental part is less important. The concert takes place under the leadership of a spiritual master, the sheikh, and the solo song is performed by the qawwal who is chosen for his beautiful voice. The faithful listen to the concert, sitting on the floor, and let themselves be carried away by the trance. The instruments used are the frame drums and the oblique flute. Other instruments have been added since then.

The samaâ music is essentially vocal as it is meant above all to sing the Koran suras and verses of poetry. The rhythm and the vocal movement trigger a state of trance.

“The dikr”
The dikr (plural : ladkar) is a prayer which can be compared to a litany, involving the repetition of the name of God until the body and mind are taken away, thus leading the disciple to a state of trance and consciousness annihilation.
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The practice of dikr can be carried out individually or collectively. In a collective ceremony, music and dance are performed. The dikr practice is different from the samaâ practice as all the assembly is in a state of trance. The dikr is also headed by a spiritual master, the cheikh, who is joined by the singers.

The prayers are sung and repeated by the congregation, while at the same time the disciples perform a movement of the chest, backward and forward. That movement involves a sense of spiritual ascension resulting in a state of ecstasy. Here, the trance is a collective communion.

The dikr also plays an important part in every phase of agricultural life: plowing, harvesting, threshing and wool work. The repetitive invocation of God’s name aims at preventing any harmful effects on crops such as hail, frost and strong wind. The song, performed by both men and women, is a Berber-Arabic blend. The disciples get together in sessions during which the verses of the Koran are repeated - the number of repetitions being set by tradition.

Fassi craft art

The craft industry has always been the core activity of the city. It is closely linked to the history of the city and is governed by corporations made of workers from the same business sector. It operates under a well-defined hierarchy which supervises the craftsmen’s training and the quality of the products. The craftsmen working in the same sector are gathered in districts (in Fez), bearing the name of their trade activity: districts of debbaghines (tanners), nejarines (woodworkers)...

The craft activities which are still renowned in Fez are jewelry, copper trade, pottery and ceramics, leather work, bookbinding, brassware and embroidery. Fez is also famous for rug weaving and the manufacturing of zellige. Moreover, the traditional trade activities have played a great part in the artistic development and fame of Fez, confirmed by Unesco recognition of the Idrisside site as universal heritage.

Fez Ceramics

The cultural history of Fez is linked to its ceramics. Made by the skillful hands of master craftsmen, Fez ceramics is multi-functional: jars, pots and jugs for the preservation of liquid or solid products,
plates and bowls for food preservation, oil lamps for light and incense burners for fragrances. Whether blue or polychrome, Fez ceramics with its decorative designs is a real delight for the eyes. Apart from the items exhibited in museums and handicraft centres, it is worth seeing the private collection of «Omar Benjelloun Foundation», a collection of 120 glazed ceramics spanning the period 18th century to 20th century.

Fez Museums
All the great eras of Moroccan civilization have left outstanding hallmarks in Fez. Museums to visit:

Musée des Armes
Borj Nord
Tel / Fax : +212 (0)5 35 04 75 06
•Musée des Arts du bois
Place Nejjarine (Médina)
nejjarine@wanadoo.net.ma
www.nejjarine.co.ma
•Centre artisanal
Av. Allal Ben Abdallah,
Tél. : +212 (0)5 35 02 27 04

Restored Monument
As part of the renovation program of historical monuments by ADER (Agency for Development and Rehabilitation) of the medina of Fez, at the initiative of His Majesty King Mohammed VI, a number of monuments have been restored or are being restored.

•Pont Khrachfiyine
•Pont Terrafine
•Borj Sidi Bouna'fae
•Borj Boutouil
•Borj Neffara
•Murailles Bab Makina
•Murailles Jnan Drader
•Fondouk Achich
•Tannerie Ain Azliten
•Tannerie Sidi Moussa
•Dar Dba'gh Chouara
•Bibliothèque Quaraouiyine
•Mausolée Sidi Hrazem
•Medersa Seffarine
•Medersa Sbatiyine
•Borj Al Kawkab
•Bank Al Maghrib
•Sebbaghine
•Medersa Sahrij
•Medersa Mohammadia
•Hammam Ibn Abbad
•Medersa Mesbahia
•Fondouk Kettanine
•Fondouk Sagha
•Dar Dmana
•Dar Lazarak
Ziyarates Fez

Ziyarates Fez, is a social concept meant for helping underprivileged families who wish to keep and preserve their homes. It is with that objective in mind, namely the human development, that the partners joined their effort: Fez-Meknes Wilaya (Fez Medina district), the Agency for Social Development (ADS), the Regional Council of Tourism, INDH (National Initiative for the Human Development) and the Union of Associations and Humanitarian Friendships of Fez Medina.

«Ziyarates Fez» spirit

The objective is to help the visitors immerse in the old-age Fez and decide together on its future by experiencing the outstanding Fez of the past.

In choosing that type of tourism, visitors will benefit from a unique and rich cultural experience. Thus, the Medina will remain alive, in its walls and soul.

Ziyarates Fez invites visitors to share the daily lives of about thirty families, in their carved-wood or gorgeous plaster houses, in a cosy and family atmosphere.

Learning how to make bread and take it to the neighbouring baker’s shop, shopping in markets and learning how to haggle! Knowing the best places in the medina, behind closed doors... And afterwards, strolling in the streets which have by then become all too familiar.

An innovative touristic program

The objective is to focus on the cultural, spiritual and social aspects so as to encourage the tourists to stay longer. The concept also aims at establishing the East/West intercultural dialogue and making Islam known in its spiritual and cultural dimension.
The Homestay

Homestay is a tourist accommodation concept which consists of hosting visitors in a family in the Medina of Fez. Families provide comfortable rooms, allowing visitors to discover the local people as well as their way of life and thus sharing their mutual cultures.

The quality «Ziyarates Fez»

A quality label Ziyarates Fez, identified by a name plate is given to family members of the network, making it possible to differentiate the families who share in the program from those who don’t.

All the families integrated in the network have been trained in the tourist trade, security, tourist activities, the history of the city, spirituality, etc…

Partners

Fez-Meknes Wilaya supports Ziyarates Fez approach which is under its supervision

The Urban District of Fez-Medina attended to the restoration and revamping works of the 30 selected houses. The Regional Council of Tourism has designed procedures for quality control and is in charge of the promotion of the concept.

The Agency for Development has designed a comprehensive training program for host families.

The Union of Associations and Humanitarian Friendships of Fez Medina is in charge of the concept management and of reservations.

Reservations :

Union of Associations and Humanitarian Friendships 35, Sidi Kjih Talâa Sghira Fez Medina Tel. : +212 (0)5 35 63 46 67
The medina of Fez shines again

The program also includes the upgrade and the renovation of small alleys of Bab Boulouz, Talaa Seghira and Saffah through Attarine Diouane, Chemmaigne, Sbitriyine, Bab Sanska, Khrachfiyine, Annakhaline, and Bab Al Haddadine Alalmiti. Thus, more than 254 traditional awnings were installed in shops, over 80 iron gates replaced with cedar doors and some 155 doors refurbished to emphasize the nobility of wood and materials used.

For their part, tanners have resumed their activities in recent months, in tanneries Azilten Ain Sidi Moussa and for some time in Chouara. Thus, several artisans and merchants could repossess their stores rehabilitated as part of the program of restoration and rehabilitation of historic monuments of the Medina of Fez, which are located in particular, at the Souks of Sebbaghine and Kettamine.

It is the case also of Medersa of Sbaiyine, founded in the 14th century by Sultan Abu Al-Hassan Al Marini, Seffarine, built in 675 H / 1276 AD. AD by Sultan Abou Yacoub Youssef and Sahrij, built in the 14th century by Sultan Merinide Abu Lhassan. Among these buildings, there are also the medersa Mesbahia erected north of the Mosque Qaraouiyne by the Merinide Sultan...
Abu Hassan in 1347 and Mohammadia, founded in the late 13th century and renovated by Sultan Mohammed V in the 20th century, the historic bridges Khrachfiyine, founded in the 10th century by the emir Zenetes Dounas above Wadi Al-Jaouahir and Terrafine, designed by Zenetes emir Dounas the 11th century. The program of restored buildings include Bab Makina walls, built in the 14th and 19th centuries, Jnan Drader (12th century), Borjs Kawkab (14th century), and Sidi Bounafae Boutouil, built by the Saadian during the 16th century.

Were also restored the Foundouk Achich, whose foundation dates back to the Saadian period in the 16th century. Kettanine 19th century during the time of Sultan Moulay Hassan 1st and Sagha in the 18th century, as well as tanneries of Ain Azliten Sidi Moussa, whose origins date back to the idrisside time in the 9th century, and Chouara, setting up at least to the 10th century during the Saadian period.

This program includes the rehabilitation of the Souk of dyers (Sebbaghine), whose birth, according to historians, dates back to the time of Zenetes in the 10th century. It was rebuilt by the Merinide Sultan Abu Said Othman in 1325 after a historical flooding. Borj Neffara / Dar Al Mouakki, built during the reign of the Merinide Sultan Abu Inan to control astronomical chart for reasons related to the calculation of the religious calendar houses Dar Dmana and Dar Lazrak, based respectively the 14th and 15th centuries, the former Agency Bank Al Maghrib (20th century), the Quaraouiyine library, the Mausoleum Sidi Harazem (12th century) and Ben Hammam Abad (14th century) are also among the historic buildings restored.
Meknes, the Moroccan “Versailles”

As an imperial city, Meknes reached the peak of its glory under the reign of Moulay Ismail (1672-1727), one of the great sultans of the Alaoui dynasty still ruling over Morocco. Making it his capital, the city soon saw the implementation of ramparts of over 40 meters long surrounding all the whole area of the Imperial city and its prominent monuments: palaces, mosques, gardens, pools, barns, stables can house 12,000 horses, wheat silos, considered nowadays to be one of the local natural engineering masterpieces. The example of Dar El-Ma, the house of water, with its huge vaulted silos skilled in the Moorish form.

He made of it an impressive city in the Hispanic-moorish style surrounded by high murals dotted with monumental doors, harmonious mixture of Islamic and European styles of the Maghreb of the 17th century, which enables it to earn the nomination of “Versailles of Morocco” in the time of Louis XIV.

The medina of Meknes takes its splendor from the richness of its colors and medersas; its places and art crafts shops, its souks which were under an important work of restoration to rescue this ancestral heritage: a witness of a glorious past.

The European city “Le petit Paris” founded by the French in the start of the last century is still seducing the visitors with its colonial type of architecture called art deco. Landscapes surrounding Meknes are inviting areas to the discovery of Moulay Driss with its brightness contrasting with the red immensity of the last foothills of the Rif and Volubilis, the Roman city endowed with houses dedicated to the works of Hercules in the Ephubes, the Procession of Venus, Dionysos and the Four Seasons or Orpheus, his Capitol, his triumphal arch and its forum.

Meknes will never stop making you dreaming.
Historical Monuments

- **Bab Mansour, Place el Hedim**
  El Mechouar, Stinia

- **Attics and stables**
  (Hri Souani Ou Roua)
  El Mechouar, Stinia

- **Bassin of Agdal**
  (Sahrij Souani)
  El Mechouar, Stinia

- **Dar El Makhzen Palace**
  El Mechouar, Stinia

- **Prison of Cara**
  Silos souterrains)
  El Mechouar, Stinia

- **Koubat Al Khayatine**
  (Ambassadors saloon)
  El Mechouar, Stinia

- **Bab El Khémis**
  Near Sidi Said

- **Foundouk El Hanna**
  Medina

- **Le Haras**
  Quartier Zitoune

- **Ksar Mansour**
  Quartier Zitoune

- **Moulay Ismail Mausoleum**
  El Mechouar, Stinia

- **The Nejjarine Mosque**
  Medina

- **The big Mosque**
  Medina

- **Jamaa Roua**
  Zitoune district

- **Cheikh El Kamel Mausoleum**
  BabJdid district

- **Medersa Filalia**
  Medina

- **Place Lalla Aouda**
  El Mechouar, Stinia

- **Place Lahdim**
  El Mechouar, Stinia

- **Jardins Suspendus**
  El Mechouar, Stinia

- **Royal Golf**
  El Mechouar, Stinia

- **El Haboul Gardens**
  Lahboul district

- **Vue Panoramique**
  Belé Vue district

- **Volubilis**

- **Moulay Idriss Zerhoune**

- **Circuit «Chaîne de Zerhoune»**
  Commune in Moulay Idriss Zerhoune

**MOSQUES**

There are hundred of mosques in the city of Meknes, The most ancients are.
Jamaa El kibir, Mosquée Lalla Ouda, Mosquée Berdaïne, Mosquée Zitouna, Mosquée Najjarine, Mosquée Jamaa Roua, Mosquée Sidi Saïd, Mosquée Khadra, Mosquée Sidi Keddour el Alami

**PLACES OF WORSHIP**

- **Catholics**
  Eglise Notre Dame, Av. Mohammed V

- **Jews**
  - The Synagogue in Riad district
  - The Synagogue in Mohamed Meknassi alley «ex rue Ghana» Hamrya.
History of Meknes

In the 18th century, Meknes region has seen the birth of the first dynasty of Morocco, Idrissides (786-917) founded by Moulay Idriss 1st, descendant of the Prophet Sidna Mohammed.

In the 11th century, the Almoravides fortified the city already conquered by the Almohade who built mosques there, hammams (Moorish baths) and kasbah. Meknes then enjoyed a period of prosperity that will be relayed by the advent of Merinides.

Many monuments will be built under the reign of this dynasty; among them the royal palace and the famous Madrasah Bou Inania.

Merinids were succeeded by the Ouatassides in mid 15th century. The arrival of the Alaouite dynasty marked a turning point in the history of Meknes. Since 1672, Moulay Ismail linked Meknes to his fate and decided to transform it into the most beautiful imperial city and the capital of Morocco.
Alias «the Moroccan Louis XIV» for almost 50 years, this sultan built palaces, mosques, storehouses, stables, ponds, gardens and kasbahs, in a will to give his reign a majestic posture, and make of it a well-known capital.

The walls surrounding the ancient city are pierced by majestic richly carved doors and decorated with constellations (earthenware and mosaics). The Bab Mansour is the largest and most beautiful wall of the Arab-Moorish architecture.

Under the reign of his son, Sidi Mohammed ben Abdallah (1757 - 1790), Meknes is enriched with several monuments: mosques, mausoleums and palace of Dar Beida, current headquarters of the Royal Military Academy.

By registering Meknes on the list of the World Heritage Sites, Unesco considered the great ossuary walls and Palaces of the city all wrought during the reign of Sultan Moulay Ismail.
Evoking Fez without mentioning the hinterland, is like curtailing part of its soul.

From Moulay Yacoub, a spa, to Sefrou or Azrou, small mountain cities, Fez opens onto the smooth vales of the Middle Atlas.

**Sefrou and the Sebou gorges**
(33 km, alt 850 m)

When arriving from Fez, you will discover at the entrance of Sefrou on the left the walls of the city, with a built-in impressive gate: it’s the main access to the city. That small white city at the foot of the Atlas was already important in the 12th century thanks to its location between Fez and the Tafilalet. It became even more important in the 14th century with the influx of Jews from Algeria.

The Mellah, which survived for six hundred years, is as wide as the rest of the old city, with Oued Aggaï running through it, spanned by several arched bridges and which changes into cool waterfalls at the city’s borders. The city is surrounded with orchards whose cherries are well-known. The Cherries Festival is held in June along with colorful folk events.

Near Sefrou lie the waterfalls of Wadi Aggaï. Natural gem and source of freshness, waterfalls represent an idyllic stroll for both visitors and locals.
The gorges of Sebou (32 km)
From Sefrou, a road leads to El Menzel, a large market city located in a beautiful area, on the side of a mountain above the valley of Oued Chemounda. A few kilometers before reaching the place, on the left you can admire a dazzling scenery of the gorges of Oued Sebou, a true canyon where the color of the cliffs changes from red to dark blue at sunset.

Friouato gulf in Taza
Near Taza (25 km), Friouato gulf is 180 - meter deep. A staircase leads to a real underground palace. Halls and galleries seem to be haunted by strange characters. Those are the stalactites, stalagmites and the concrete masses which bristle the rocks : an enchanting water scenery !

Immouzer du Kandar at 38km (altitude 1345m, 12,000 inhabitants)
Located on the edge of a rocky plateau, Immouzer du Kandar overlooks the plain of Saïss. That resort is known for its cool temperatures, and it houses a kasbah, the Aït Serghouchen Kasbah. There, you will breathe the pure mountain air.

Ifrane
Ifrane is the mountain-lovers’ heaven where you can find the only cedar grove in North Africa. There you can also find forests, waterfalls and lakes. You will come across hordes of bold monkeys.
It is an amazing town with its false look of a Helvetian village. The city was built on a plateau in 1929 for the practice of winter sports In Michlifen.
The palace of Ifrane was one of the favorite residences of late King Hassan II, which accounts for the numerous luxurious «chalets» (cottages) in the city.

There, you will find one of the nicest hotels in Morocco, the Michlifen. It has been completely revamped and it reopened in April 2010 under the name «Michlifen Suites...
et Spa». Ifrane is also home of one of the most prestigious universities in the country, Al Akhawayne.

Azrou
Azrou is a Berber city. Its small medina dates back to the 17th century, built on the order of Sultan Moulay Ismail. The city is simply gorgeous with its green glazed tiled roofs, which make it look like a European village. Hikes to the Middle Atlas are organized from there. What you can do, is go to the Ito panoramic viewpoint, a natural terrace from where the view is breathtaking.

A real paradise, nestled between sweet-smelling cedar forests and colonies of wild monkeys.
Be ready for a thrilling time…

Boulemane
A 100 km south of Fez lies the city of Boulemane which is located between two large mountains Tichoukt and Bcher. It is one of the prettiest towns in the Middle Atlas. Known to be peaceful and quiet, Boulemane offers visitors the opportunity to summer hikes through the picturesque valleys of the Middle Atlas. Boulemane province has a natural scenery and rich tourism potentials.
Green tourism …
Above all, forests must be «saved»

Restore the forests balance ecological functions and Middle Atlas course and assure the social and economic development of local populations.

The objective of the project of Integrated Management of Middle Atlas Forests (Gifma) launched in Fez is to encourage the green tourism, but especially revaluing the forest heritage of Fez and its region.

An integrated management which will according to Fez-Boulemane Regional office of Waters and Forests restore the forests balance ecological functions and the Middle Atlas course and assure the social and economic development of the local populations. Actually, the project will pay a particular attention on the valuation of forest products intended for the international market and this through a certification based on integrated and sustainable forest management indicators. This management intends to guarantee the effective implication of all the forest actors (services of the State, the local populations, the private sector and the associations) in a confidence climate, in a constructive consensus in favor of a sustainable management of the resources and the ecosystems. Indeed, capacity buildings are at the same time an approach and an objective. It is necessary to train the partners and to equip them so that they can develop together multifunctional models of management. Capacities, which can be spread and transferred to reproduce and adapt to these models, the most vulnerable Middle Atlas forest hillsides and the other regions of Morocco.
Festivals, moussems, concerts and exhibitions

By means of music, sacred chants, cultural events and moussems, Fez promotes the unification of cultures, religions and people. The Imperial Fez claims to be a privileged cultural and music venue.

The National Festival of Andalusian Music
Each year, the «Maison Adyel» hosts during two days, in November, magnificent Arab-Andalusian music nights led by different renowned orchestras.

Dates and information:
Tél.: +212 (0)5 35 63 72 28
(commune urbaine de Fez).
Tél.: +212 (0)6 61 40 13 71

Festival of Malhoun Music
This annual event offers the chance to melhoun lovers to meet in Fez, at the menu, the national troops. This ancient art of Fez conceals a rich repertoire of poems, «kssidas» in Moroccan Arabic.
Malhoun covers all common poetic themes. These include, in general, four categories of themes: faith and its multiple dimensions, jalsa and playfulness, social issues, documentary and narrative dimension, historical and political topics.

Dates and information:
Tél.: +212 (0)5 35 63 72 28
Culinary Festival «Fez Gourmet»
The «Fez Gourmet» is organized twice a year by the Association of guest houses in the city. Generally the second fortnight of March and the first of November. During these periods each Riad prepares his best specialty, so visitors can discover every day a different dish in a Riad participant.

Dates and Information:
ARMH (Association Régionale des Maisons d’hôtes)
Tel: +212 5 35 04 24 92
armhFez@gmail.com
www.armhFez.com/Fez-gourmet

Diplomatic culinary Festival
It is organized every year in the month of April to discover both Moroccan and Mediterranean culinary traditions, and discuss the diplomatic role of good food. Parallel forums and exhibitions punctuate this event too.

Dates and Information:
«Parchemins concepts»
April each year
Tel.: +212 (0)5 35 05 30 53
contact@archeminsconcepts.com
www.parcheminsconcepts.com

Fez Festival of World Sacred Music
Organized between the months of May and June of each year. On the menu: concerts, conferences, exhibitions... Gregorian chants, samaa songs of Sufi orders and liturgical poems of piyoutims synagogues, as well as other music that touch the sacred (spiritual inspiration, traditional, scholarly and classical). This world of music gives life for a few days to the Andalusian gardens of the palace Batha Fez El Bali and Bab Makina in Fez Jdid.
This meeting, which takes annually place is constituted from artists, politicians, philosophers, scientists, imams, priests and rabbis, is a forum for the promotion of dialogue between civilizations and religions.

The Fez Festival was founded there more than a decade and has since evolved to become an «internationally renowned event» where participants from all over the world are called to vibrate for a few days to the rhythm of both sacred and profane music.

Dates and informations :
Fondation Esprit de Fez
Sidi Al Khayat, BP 679
Fez, 30200 Maroc
Tel: +212 (0) 535 74 05 35 /
Fax: +212 (0) 535 74 06 91
contact@espritdeFez.com
www.FezFestival.com

Festival of Sufi Culture
The Festival of Sufi Culture aims to discover a spiritual and artistic heritage of exceptional richness and also to open a reflection on the contribution of this heritage at the heart of the Moroccan society today.

The Festival, which takes place in late April or early May of each year, will contribute to make known and spread throughout the world the message of peace, universality and spirituality at the heart of Islam.

Dates et informations :
Parchemins Concepts
Avenue Moulay Kamel,
Cité Mimosa,s Immeuble 6,
Appartement N°3
Fez - MAROC
Tel.: +212 (0)5 35 65 30 53
Fax: +212 (0)5 35 64 67 44
contact@estivalculturesoufie.com
www.Festivalculturesoufie.com

Moussem Of Moulay Idriss
Every September, the population of Fez celebrates Moulay Idriss, founder and
saint of the city. For one week, the various craft guilds and townspeople march in procession through the medina. During the week of moussem, Fez also hosts various cultural, religious and sportive events.

Dates et informations :
CRT Fez
Tel: + 212 (0)5 35 04 24 02
crtFez2014@gmail.com
www.Feztourism.org

Festival of Samaâ and Madih
The National Festival of Praise and Hearing (the Prophet Sidna Mohammed pbuh), organized on the occasion, offers listeners four evenings of religious and spiritual Muslims songs, on the prefecture room (Fez -Medina ).

Dates et informations :
CRT Fez
Tel: + 212 (0)5 35 04 24 02
crtFez2014@gmail.com
www.Feztourism.org

Cherry Festival
Famous for its cherries, Sefrou houses each year in June for three days the Cherry Festival. Various folklore and cultural events are organized on this occasion. But the main event remains the election of «Miss Cherry» which attracts many visitors.

Dates et informations :
Commune Urbaine Sefrou
Tel: + 212 (0)6 62834782
Festivalcerises@gmail.com
www.Festivalcerises-sefrou.com

The Tissa Horse Festival
Every year in late September and early October, Tissa becomes home for two days to the Horse Festival. Hundreds of riders, dressed in their traditional clothes, present their magnificent horses to the population and participate in fantasias. Fantasias are ritual, warrior mock assault, games according to very specific rules
and whose conduct is highly ritualized. These equestrian attacks are accompanied by traditional songs and dances by women riders.

Fantasias are conducted on a large plot which aligned riders embarked on their horses, handling each a powder rifle (mokkahla), to pursue a frantic race marked through a group harmony in a single detonation. The meeting is accompanied by prizes and entertainment.

Dates et information:
Association «Al Wifak» & la Province de Taounate
Tél.: +212 (0)5.35.62.73.55
www.provincetaounate.ma

Festival of Amazigh (Berber) Culture
Each edition is held on the first week of July and features a melodic ride into the world of the millenary roots of the Berber culture, through his songs and traditional dances. The goal is to discover, promote and share with the public, the Fez richness of...
Amazigh culture, transmitted from generation to generation primarily through storytelling, poetry and songs.

The convention center is also home, during a scientific conference in the same period, on «Amazigh culture and human development» to exhibitions of books, handicrafts, exhibitions of works of art, Amazigh carpets and clothes.

Dates and informations :
La Fondation Esprit de Fez
Tél.: +212 (0) 535 74 05 35
contact@espritdeFez.com
www.Festivalamazigh.on.ma

Fez Festival of Street Arts
Initiated by the Ministry of Culture, the event is held in July each year in several public places in the spiritual capital, with the participation of many young bands of different genres such as street theater, rap and fusion, besides folk groups such as Aissaoua, Hmadcha and other arts groups.

Sidi Harazem Moussem
Sidi Harazem (20 km far from Fez) lives each year in March (time subject to modification) the rhythm of his Festival. Cultural events (folklore, traditional weddings ...), sports, exhibition of handicrafts of the region are organized on this occasion.

Information :
CRT Fez
Tél.: + 212 (0) 5 35 94 24 92
crtFez2014@gmail.com
www.fez-Fez.com/moussem
sidi-harazem
Bab Boudir Festival
This Festival is held every July for a week, in Bab Boudir (province of Taza). On the menu: cultural and sporting events: folklore, fantasia, great fair with exhibitions of local products.

Information :
Association du Festival Culturel et Touristique de Bab Boudir, Comune Rurale Bab Boudir
Tel: +212(0) 6 66 92 35 70

Jumping contests
Held annually in April under the aegis of the Moroccan Royal Federation of Equestrian Sports, the jumping contest gathers for 2 to 3 days the best riders in the region.

Information :
Centre équestre Ain Aymer, Km 2,5
Route d’Imouzzer, Fez.
Tel. : +212 (0)5 35 60 64 21
Cultural diary of Fez

January
• Annual Day of Fez
• Various cultural activities

February
• World Day for Road Safety

March
• National Festival of Andalusian music
• The annual meeting of the Arabic language
• International Women’s Day
• Spring Festival of Philosophy
• National Festival of Laughter

April
• National Meeting of the novel
• Moroccan Cinematographic Film Day
• Fine Arts Festival
• Mediterranean Book Festival

May
• Malhoun National Festival
• World Sacred Music Festival
• Collective circumcision
• Spring Festival of romantic poetry
• Festival of the educational film
• Poetry Evenings Fez (International poetry day)
• National Children’s Festival
• Annual Festival of Flamenco

June
• Environment Day
• Conference of Mediterranean women

July
• Moussem of Sidi Ahmed Tijani
• National Festival of Amazigh Culture
• Art Festival
• Choreographic Dance Festival

September
• Moussem of Moulay Idriss
• National Festival of «Samaa and Madihe»

October
• Moussem Sidi Ali Boughaleb
• Festival of Sufi Culture
• International Fez Festival of professional theater

November
• World Diabetes Day
• International Philosophy Day
• Fez Festival of Folk Arts

December
• Fair of traditional crafts
• Heritage Festival «history and creation»

During the month of Ramadan
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Fassi cuisine is made up of a mosaic of multi-flavored dishes secretly preserved in the hands of women for centuries, like «khliee» or dried meat.

If you want to discover Moroccan cuisine and taste the rich Fassi dishes, nothing is better than treat yourself and sit at a restaurant table. Riads, restaurants and hotels offer sophisticated dishes such as pastilla, prune tajine, sweet or salted lamb, tfaya couscous (with raisins and onions), roast lamb with almonds. For a starter, spoil yourself to a real flavor Festival with the selection of salads.

The recipes blend ancestral know-how with contemporary cuisine. Among the must on the menu, you will also find refined international cuisine: French, Italian and even Asian. For light budgets, there are eateries which offer delicious pizzas, sandwiches, a selection of original salads and tajines. As to the restaurants in the medina, they offer meals at reasonable prices, grilled meat, couscous, salads, grilled fish, potato fritters, boiled sheep heads, omelets as well as mint tea and home-made bread.

Gastronomy
First capital of the Kingdom, Fez was founded in 802 by Idriss II, son of Idriss 1st (First sultan of Morocco). As from 818, the sultan welcomed to his city 8,000 Muslim families from Andalusia. Seven years later, the population was strengthened by the influx of Jews and Kairouanais from Tunis who, for centuries, have sustained the multicultural dynamism of the city. With its cultural, religious and architectural rich heritage, Fez was from the very beginning an important metropolis and a cultural and religious centre.

Today, when walking through the new city and heading towards the medina, you will discover its monuments, its medersas (theological schools) and especially its impressive and splendid Quaraouiyine University, the oldest teaching centre in the world before Oxford and the Sorbonne, and still one of the main intellectual poles in the Maghreb. Its mosques and mausoleums, but also its authentic neighbourhood mix with churches and synagogues, which reflect the specific hallmark of Morocco as a land of encounter, hospitality, co-existence and peace.

The spiritual capital, Fez, hosts throughout the year several artistic and cultural events, mainly the Moussem of the patron saint of the city, Moulay Idriss and the Moussem of Sidi Ahmed Tijani which attracts numerous believers from the Maghreb and Sub-Saharan Africa, as well as the Festival of World Sacred Music. Fez, in its intellectual potential and its rich identity drawn from the Arab-Islamic civilization, was named «Capital of Islamic Culture for the year 2007» by UNESCO.
Sports and discovery

Golf, tennis, horse riding, swimming, archery, all such leisure activities will make your holiday an unforgettable experience in one of the oldest cities in Morocco.

Fez Royal Golf… a dream destination at the foot of the Atlas
Fez offers golf buffs a splendid golf course, located in the heart of a huge olive grove at the foot of the Atlas Mountains, at an altitude of 700 meters. Beautifully designed by the architect Cabell B. Robinson, the golf course of Fez is viewed as one of the most impressive courses in the world, especially since it was extended to 18 holes: a prime destination for golf lovers. Several specialized tour operators offer a golf destination in their program, as well as internationally famed tournaments. In addition to offering an idyllic course, the Royal Golf offers the players a 100sm-club house which overlooks the course, a 100-seat restaurant, a pro shop, a lounge, terraces and cloakrooms.

Royal Golf of Fez
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Fezgolf@menara.ma
Tel.: +212 (0)5 35 66 50 66
In the heart of the city of Fez
Golf Oued Fez …
Alongside Oued Fez on 6,344 meters, a magnificent 18 - hole brings a touch of aesthetics and natural refinement.

This work of art is arranged on either side of the canal and bordered by a large eucalyptus driveway that accompanies the famous public promenade.

The design of the golf course was conducted by the Scottish cabinet Jonathan Gaunt whose experience on 5 continents and reputation are well established.

Responding to the desire to create a wide range and an academy that will institute a good introduction to golf, the realized design meets the needs of golfers of all levels, all in the middle of a green oasis.

Golf Oued Fez
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GSM : 06 04 72 10 50
alex@ouedFez.ma
www.ouedFez.ma
Route de Meknès, 30000 Fez

Meknes Golf
At the heart of the imperial city of Sultan Moulay Ismail, with the decoration of green tiled roofs and minarets of the medina, in a beautiful garden of thousand flowers, orange trees, olive trees, palm trees, plum, medlar , apricots, the 9 hole Royal Golf Meknes immerse you in history.

The Club entrance is a small masterpiece with its large door finely decorated and the fountain of blue mosaic. Inside, the golfer follows his journey back in time between the ramparts nesting storks.
Near the green number 6, a Moorish door leads to the Royal Palace. The green number 9, a superb staircase in white and green faience leads to the club house situated in the ramparts.

The enchantment lasts throughout the game and the fans of the little white ball can extend late into the night in a magical atmosphere, because here one can play with the spotlight placed throughout the course.

Meknes Golf
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royalgolfmeknes@menara.ma
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Jnan Al Bahraouia, Ville Ancienne, Meknès Maroc.

Michlifen Golf & Country Club,
An 18 Hole golf in Ifrane
ONCF is building an 18 hole golf course in Ifrane, the pearl of mountain tourism in Morocco. Located 10 km south of the city, the Michlifen Golf & Country
Club under construction, will include a clubhouse including a workshop and playing surfaces and drive.

Tennis
In Fez, all four and five-star hotels have tennis courts. In there and in sports clubs, amateurs will find experienced young Moroccans (qualified coaches) or tennis lovers to play with them. Numerous tournaments are organized in clubs, between members and guests, or in hotels between holidaymakers.

- Tennis Club Fez (TCF) (Yavor : coordonnées)
- Sporting Club Fassi 10, Rue Moulay Slimane Tél. : +212 (0)5 35 04 13 75
- Fez Country Club/Royal Tennis Club Fez Complexe Sportif El Merja, 30020 Fez Tél: +212(0)5 35 05 5836 Fax: +212(0)5 35 72 00 62 secretariat@Fezcountryclub.com www.Fezcountryclub.com

Winter sports
Skiing in Morocco under a totally blue and flawless sky for several months in the year is a reality. In the neighbouring areas of Fez, ski lovers can enjoy skiing in a temperate climate. The Middle Atlas (skiing is possible from December to February) is also ideal for ski touring.

Fishing and Hunting
The adventure loves, fishermen and hunters will spend delightful moments in the region of Fez. They can fish in the numerous lakes located in a colorful environment, or hunt in the Middle Atlas Mountains. Game is plentiful in the region (region of Azrou, Sefrou…), essentially partridges, ducks, quails, geese, turtledoves and also boars.
Flying
Thanks to its geographical position and its climate, Fez is an ideal venue for flying sports. The Fez aero club organizes flights and courses to train those who are looking for thrilling sensations.

Pony trek in the region of Fez
Pony trekking is another way to discover the region of Fez. Along the crystal-clear water lakes, in green forests and the neighboring Middle Atlas breathtaking Mountains. In some lakes, you can swim, go pedal boating or indulge in other water sports.

Jogging
Jogging buffs and nature lovers are increasingly invading parks and forests in Fez. Some go for a stroll every morning in Aïn Chkef forest, a preserved natural space with waymarked footpaths and space designed for the strollers.
Good addresses

Royal Golf Fez
Route d'Ifrane Imouzzer - Ain Chegag
Tel. : +212 (0)5 37 76 38 49
18 trous - 3108 m - par 37

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Meknes Golf
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Tel. : +212 (0)535 53 07 53
Fax : +212(0) 535 55 79 34
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www.royalgolfmeknes.com

Riding stable and Hiking
Ain Amyer, Km 2
Route d’Imouzzer Fez
Tel. : +212 (0)5 35 60 64 21

Equestrian Club Fez
Moulay El Kamel - Champ de Courses
Tel. : 212 (0)5 35 62 34 38

Tennis Club Fez
Avenue Mohamed El Kourri
Tel. : 212 (0)5 35 62 42 72

Royal Tennis Club Fez
Complexe Sportif «El Merja»
Rte de Zouagha 30000 Fez
Ouvert tous les jours de l’année de 8h00 à 23h00
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Fax : +212 (0)5 35 72 60 02
direction@tennisperformancegroup.com
www.tennisperformancegroup.com

Football, Hand-Ball, Basket Ball
Club du MAS - Rue du Soudan
Tel. : +212 (0)5 35 62 30 34

Club de Volley-Ball U.S. Fez
Sidi Brahim
Tel. : +212 (0)5 35 64 10 86

Aéro Club
Aéroport international Fez Saïss
Tel. : +212 (0)6 61 25 00 26

Ski
Délégation de la Jeunesse et des Sports. Bd. Chefchaouni
Tel. : +212 (0)5 35 62 31 61
Tel. : +212 (0)5 35 62 30 61
Fez offers an array of fitness activities: traditional hammams (steam baths), spas, health and beauty-care centres where you will no doubt spend a pleasant time.

Hammams for indulging your senses is at the heart of Oriental rituals
To soothe your soul and unwind your body, nothing is better than the traditional hammams of Fez where you will discover the Moorish baths still functioning like in the old days. Some hammams in the medina are more than one century old. It is advisable to take with you towels, soap, massage mitt (loofah), massage oil, etc.... Some hammams have two rooms, one for women and one for men. Otherwise, make sure you get the right admittance schedule for women or men. Some hotels have their own hammams where you can enjoy a whole range of beauty and body care combining age-old rites and modern techniques: relaxing and stimulating massages with natural essential oils, purifying and exfoliating scrub, rosewater-scented hammam, scrub using Morocco soft soap (black soap). Also, pedicure, manicure, hair care,... Some establishments have recreated the soothing and magic atmosphere of oriental hammams with columns, patios, fountains and urns. Don’t fail to explore the virtues of those magic and timeless spots if you want to recharge your batteries.
**Fitness and relaxation**

**Spas for your body care**
Most top hotels in Fez provide Spa treatments to recharge your batteries and soothe your mind. As part of the program, delightful moments of relaxation and mental calm: swimming pool, flower-scented steam bath, sauna, jacuzzi, massage, body care, skin care (cleansing, scrubbing, vapozone, massage) and fitness activities. Embark on a sensorial trip of well-being.

**Thermal springs**

**“Sidi Harazem”**
This source is about 30km East of Fez. It has been known since the era of 10th the century thanks to Arab geographer, Léon l’Africain. The mineral water is renowned for its healing virtues for liver and kidney diseases. Many tourists visit the thermal spa throughout the year.

**“Moulay Yacoub”**
This thermal station is located at 15km North-west of Fez. The hot waters of Moulay Yacoub are the most important ones in Morocco for their therapeutic virtues thanks to their mineralization, their rate of flow and their temperature. It’s in fact a hyper thermal water, a real sulfur sea water. The resort, which has been frequented by Moroccans since its creation, was also visited by André Gide and Henry de Montherlant in the 1930s.
Visitors are attracted by its healthy warm waters which relieve rheumatisms, nose and throat ailments, skin diseases and some gynecological problems. In the village, you will find a few local restaurants where you can sample grilled meat, and also cafés where you can smell the mint used in tea.

Aïn Allah
The Aïn Allah source is 14 km far from Fez. The water of this source is very hot with a 30°C temperature.

The Aïn Allah source is extracted by an Artois drilling at 1,650 meters deep.

The water of this source has no therapeutic indication. It is intended for irrigation or to feed swimming pools opened to the popular bathing.

But, what characterizes this source it is the exfoliating scrub activities and the natural massage which are applied within the swimming pools and the bathing.
Fez is the hub of Moroccan craft art. Its markets, souks and commercial centres offer a wide range of various items.

Fez Craftsmanship
Fez is an outstanding Moroccan handicraft creation centre. Its handicraft shops display the typical items of the city (rugs, jewels, pottery, leather goods, furniture, etc…). Its markets and souks offer locally-made products such as rugs, henbels, brass trays, poufs and leather articles. Most bazaars are on Talaâ Kebira street right in the medina. There, you will find secondhand goods dealers and antique dealers. The workshops and sales outlets are near the Qaraouiyine, the main nucleus of the old city (souk Chemmaîne, Sbitryine, Seffarine, Nejjarine).
Numerous craftsmen co-ops (pottery, leather,…) offer items at reasonable prices. Fez is home also to the most famous silverware in the country.

Souks
In the heart of the medina, you will find the souks which house shops, stalls and all kinds of workshops. The shops display piles of spices, nougats…
The salesmen who sell similar products are clustered in the same area according to their
activity. The henna (natural dye) souk is in the Nejjarine quarter, where you will find all kinds of natural products (like henna). The souk Nejjarine or Sebbaghine is the centre of dyers, along Oued Fez. You can see the craftsmen dyeing the wool or cotton products in different colors.

Tanneries are impressive. The methods of work and the hide-processing haven’t changed for ages. This is a worth visit despite the stench caused by the skins.

You can also watch the carpenters working, the «malems» (masters) as well as the young learners. The copperware manufacturers are in the Seffarine souk.

El Attarine, the spice souk, is worth seeing, too. It is the most colorful market in Fez. Fez potteries are famous for their good quality and their white and blue designs.

**Shops and commercial centres**

Fez abounds with shops in the city centre offering various brands of ready-to-wear clothes, of haute couture, and traditional garments. Lots of shopping centres, shopping malls and mass distribution outlets offer a wide range of products. Supermarkets are expanding in Fez, too. These stores provide a wide assortment of foodstuffs and other products to meet the customers’ demand.

**Marketing Cooperative Handicraft of Products Fez**
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**Borj Fez**
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Moroccan gastronomy was born in Fez. To sample the genuine Fassi cuisine, go to the medina where numerous riads and restaurants offer succulent and varied dishes (tagines, couscous, pastillas and other delicious local-flavor dishes).

In the Boujloud neighbourhood, plenty of small eateries offer mint tea and cheap plain dishes for the small budgets: couscous, grilled meat and fish, salads, boiled sheep head... You will probably come across quite a few tourists, eating there in a traditional setting.

You can also sample international cuisine in the new city. You will find a great number of fabulous restaurants offering great food, pizzerias, asian restaurants and trendy tearooms. The main venues are concentrated downtown. Cheap food is to be found in the Boulevard Mohammed V area, in snack bars and eateries.
Accommodation in Fez and region

Fez has a hotel capacity of 7,260 beds, which is 7% of the national capacity. The city counts luxury hotels with remarkable infrastructures, as well as of numerous restored and renovated riads where, often comfort, luxury and authenticity rhyme with quality of service. In an average category, in the new city of Fez, you have the choice between 30 years age establishments or new hotels with modern comfort.

Riads & Guest Houses

The concept of «Riad» or «hosts’ House», takes in Fez all its value with regards to the quality of the houses which offer this kind of accommodation. These places, real small palaces that ally tradition and comfort, propose generally at least 5 rooms and/or suites within an authentic fassi house, built around a patio or an internal garden. Classified in 1st or 2nd category, while waiting for a more detailed classification, in the course of elaboration, they correspond to the criteria of excellence required by the tourism ministry and are regularly controlled by the authorities both at the level of service quality and hygiene and safety regulation. All these houses also offer a catering service highlighting the Moroccan food and in particular the fassi one. They are grouped into the Association Regional of Riads and hosts’ Houses which quality charter they adopted and which initials they raise at the entrance.

The list is available on the ARMH site
www.armhFez.org

ARMH Fez : C/O CRT Fez, Avenue des Alaouites Fez, Morocco.
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Fax : + 212 5 35 05 01 88
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For lovers of nature, mountains and open spaces, Ifrane, Azrou Imouzzer offers lodges which are often visited by hikers. Rates depend on categories and seasons. They are usually affordable. The list of steps and shelters lodgings is available from the AGIA and Sefrou Association:

**CRT Fez,**
Avenue des Alaouites
Fez, Morocco.
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crtFez2004@gmail.com
www.Feztourism.org
www.visiteFez.com

Finally, for small grants and budgets, around Bab Boujloud there are full of cheap pensions. There are also in Fez and Meknes Azrou, hostels and reception centers for affordable accommodation suitable for budget travelers. Rates vary between 15-30 DH per person per night. They are available exclusively for 13-30 years.

Addresses are available from the Royal Moroccan Federation of Youth Hostels; affiliated with the International Federation of Youth Hostels:

**Parc de la Ligue Arabe**
BP 15988 - Casablanca
Tél.: (212) (0)5 22 47 09 52.
Fax: +212 (0)5 22 22 07 77
E-mail: frmaj1@menara.ma

**Fez Youth Hostel Association**
18 Rue Abdessalam Serghini
Ville Nouvelle, Fez, Morocco
Tel: +212(0)535624085
Fax: +212(0)535624085
Tourism Directory

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NB: for any phone call from overseas, the code for Morocco is: +212
The visitor has the choice between many hotels of various categories and hosts. For the small budgets, the old Medina and the downcity area abound with small hotels and well-kept boarding houses.
Aïn Chkef

**Hotels 2**
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km 7, Route Aïn Chkef
Tél.: 05 35 64 00 78
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**Hotels 2**
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**Le Chalet du Lac**
B.P 10 – Imouzzer du Kandar
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**Shehrzad**
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www.moulayyacoub.com

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Tél.: 05 35 60 40 57
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**Grand Hotel**
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Fez occupies a strategic position because it is located at the crossroads of several destinations of the four corners of the country, in the heart of an area with an immense natural patrimonial richness.
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Venezia Sandwich
18, Ave Lalla Meriem, Ville Nouvelle
Tél. : 05 35 05 04 81

Sefrou Oumnia N° 2 Rue El Oukhouane Bd Med V-Sefrou
Tél. : 05 55 06 06 70

Immouzer du Kandar « Les Truites » Route de Fès
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Here are some after addresses and useful phone numbers of travel agencies and tour operators. You can make ticket bookings, organized trips… on a simple call.

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