

6th FIAP Photo Meeting Morocco 2019



Main Program **From June 23rd to 30th, 2019**

(A circuit of about 1400 Km):

**Marrakech - Ouarzazate - Tinghir - Merzouga- Rissani
- Alnif -Tazzarine – Nkoub -Tamnougalt - Agdez - Ouarzazate - Marrakech**

Optional Program **From June 30 to July 2, 2019**

(A circuit of 650 Km approximately)

Marrakech - Essaouira - Agadir - Marrakech

The 6th FIAP photo meeting, Morocco 2019, offers you two circuits of more than 2000 Km to go, (1400 Km in the main program, and 650 Km in the optional program), an itinerary full of discoveries, exchanges and enthusiasm with better opportunities for capturing and taking photographic shots through cities, villages, landscapes, mountains and desert in a first stage (main program), and again by beaches and ports in the optional program in a second stage between Essaouira and Agadir , two trips in time and space, in southern Morocco.

Main Program

From June 23 to 30, 2019

Sunday, June 23 (1st day):

- Reception of participants at the Marrakech International Airport for the whole day.
- Welcome in a 4 star hotel in Marrakech
- Distribution at the hotel of a hat, t-shirt, badges and Photomeeting program.
- A meal at the hotel available to participants from 12h.

18H - A collective outing to photograph the night of Jamaa Lafna: Through the Koutoubia, we go together to the famous traditional place "Jemaa el-Fna", animated all night by its feverish activities, symbol of the city of Marrakech, proclaimed since 1985 a world heritage by Unesco.

19H30 - A tea at "Jamaa Lafna": from the terrace of a café, we will admire and photograph a place that becomes every evening a scene of spectacles of the old times.

21H - Group dinner at a restaurant instead of Jamaa lafna with entertainment reception: Without leaving Jamaa lafna, a reception dinner will gather in a restaurant in the square.

23H - Return to the hotel by caléches: A convoy of caléceaux will take us in small tour to take us back to the hotel, La caléche, a way of patrimonial transport reigns arteries of the city of Marrakech since more than 200 years

Monday, June 24th (2nd day)

08H30 - Breakfast at the hotel.

10H am - Opening Ceremony of Photomeeting.

11H - FIAP General Assembly, organized by the FIAP Steering Committee, in the presence of FIAP operational member countries, participants in the 2019 photo-meeting Morocco.

11H - Screening: Screening of the movie "Morocco seen from the sky": Opportunity to discover the beauty of Morocco with the eye of the photographer director Yann Arthus Bertrand and the voice of the journalist - writer Ali Baddou.

12H30 pm - Lunch at the hotel.

2H30 pm - Discover the old medina of Marrakech: the medina of Marrakech with its alleys in continuous agitation is a maze where we will be happy to get lost in his world full of colors and scents, we will seize this opportunity in our own way, to immortalize his daily life in two ways.

15H30 - Visit the Museum of Marrakech: an old palace restored by a great lover of art and heritage, who wanted to preserve future generations, the legacy of 5 centuries of the life of the Kingdom of Morocco.

4.30 pm - Visit the Madrassa Benyoussef: we can travel in time and space of this historic merinid art building, this work of Sultan Abdellah Al Ghalib who completed the construction in the end of the year 1565, was during four centuries home and study for students in thirst for knowledge in various sciences, including theology.

5:30 pm - Inauguration of a screening of a collective exhibition of Moroccan photographers on the occasion of FIAP's first visit to Morocco.

18H - Tribute to the old Moroccan photographers (argentic photography): at the gallery, and after the opening, the former Moroccan photographers will be honored by the FIAP's executive committee.

18H30 - Taking photos - demonstration of Moroccan traditional clothes: We always continue our way in the arteries of the medina, and stop inside a Riad to photograph models with traditional Moroccan clothes under a dazzling light.

19H30 - Taking pictures - demonstration of a Moroccan wedding: At the same Riad we will live a friendly and intimate moment, a demonstration of a Moroccan wedding, a pleasure to photograph clothes and traditional accessories of the bride, joy will be even more glamorous if the models will be chosen among our photographers of FIAP, participants in this photomeeting.

8:30 pm - Group dinner with folklore entertainment (outside the hotel): After an effervescent circuit of more than 6 hours in the heart of the medina, we will settle in a restaurant for dinner and relaxation.

23H - Return to the hotel

Tuesday, June 25th (3rd day): Course of about 260 km

06H30 - Breakfast at the hotel.

07H30 - Traveling to Ouarzazate: Approximately 200 Km from Marrakech, crossing the High Atlas, crossing the Tizi'n Tichka pass of 2300 meters altitude, with a nature and colors of the landscape that change throughout the journey We will admire the route and take panoramic photos of small villages and landscapes.

11H - Visit and photograph kasbah "Ait Benhaddou": 30km east of Ouarzazate, we turn to the secondary road to visit "Ait benhaddou", a Ksar of 6 Kasbahs, listed on the list of World Heritage of Unesco , it was one of the many counters of the caravan route between Saharan Africa and Marrakech. We will spend an hour to travel and photograph its bridges, its houses surrounded by walls, and meet its artisans and its inhabitants.

13H - To settle in a hotel 4 stars in Ouarzazate: After 45mn of road since Ait Benhaddou, we arrive at the city of Ouarzazate: the Door of the desert.

1:30 pm - Lunch at the hotel. Then relax - shower and pool.

15H30 - Visit Kasbah Taourirt: Located in the city of Ouarzazate and was one of the first great Berber architectures built in the 17th century, A UNESCO World Heritage Site.

4.30 pm - A tea in Cerkas - visit and take pictures of the kasbah: Cerkas is the other side of the kasbah of Taourirt, where you can taste a Moroccan tea and photograph the interior of the Kasbah.

5:30 pm - Assist and photograph the folklore of Ouarzazate: Ahwach folklore of Ouarzazate a living intangible local and national heritage, we will attend a range of songs and rhythms traditional Berber, and photograph a movement punctuated with expressive colors.

19H - Dinner outside the hotel: A little rest before dinner, to discover and admire the night in summer in the city of Ouarzazate, and finally meet around a friendly dinner.

22H - Return to the hotel.

Wednesday, June 26th (4th day): Course of about 280 km

07:30 - Breakfast at the hotel.

08H30 - Take the minibus to cross the road of a thousand kasbahs.

10:30 am - Discover the Kalaat Valley M'gouna: 94km from Ouarzazate, one of the most captivating and authentic valleys of the region, known as the M'Goun Valley, famous for its rose fields in May, and by the manufacture of rose water, a timeless valley where the Berber culture has remained intact.

12H - Discover the valley of the gorges of Dadés with its splendid landscapes: Photographing a 25 km long valley, the houses are confused with the rocks which reach 300 meters of height.

1:30 pm - lunch in Dades

2:30 pm - Follow a path of 98 km and go to photograph the Todgha valley and its splendid gorges: Todgha valley 30 km long, full of small ksour and kasbahs, very known by its vast palmerie.

4.30 pm - Discover and photograph the Todgha Gorge: Climbers' paradise for their walls up to 300 meters.

5:30 pm - A short hike next to the kasbahs along the Todgha river: possibility to browse the palmerie just before sunset, to better enjoy a sublime light.

19H30 - To settle in a hotel and / or Kasbahs or similar category, according to the availability of the best offers to Tinghir, and following the best conditions of lodging of the participants.

20H - A free time of relaxation, swimming pool, shower, or discovery of the surroundings.

21H - Dinner at the hotel or kasbah, according to the best choices available.

Thursday, June 27th (5th day): Course of about 220 km

7H - Breakfast at the hotel or Kasbah

8H - Take the minibus to the dunes of Merzouga: through Tinjdad, Eljorf and Arfoud.

10:30 - a small stop to visit Macro fossils Kasbah fossils and minerals.

11H- Pass through the city of Rissani: the ancient capital of Moulay Ali Cherif, founder of the Alawite dynasty, coming from Saudi Arabia in the 13th century and buried in Rissani.

12H - Lunch in Rissani: "Madfouna" a gastronomy that testifies the confrontation of Tafilalt of old to different civilizations, come from the East and Africa.

1:30 pm - Departure to Marzouga.

2:30 pm - go through Khamlia, an Amazigh village from African sources, known for its Gnawa music. An opportunity also to meet and discover the way of life of the nomads of the desert.

15H - Return from khamlia.

15:30 - Dunes of Merzouga: Rest at the hotel / hostel of Marzouga - swimming pool and shower.

17H - Departure on camels, to enjoy more than an hour of camel ride and enjoy the fascinating sand dunes of Merzouga.

6:30 pm - Witness the sunset. We walk to the high sand dunes to admire and photograph a sensational sunset.

20H - Relaxation and tea under tents in the middle of the Dunes. We return to tents berbres in full sand dunes, while admiring the silence of the desert, and photograph his magical night.

21H - Dinner at the Moroccan, Spend the night in the heart of the desert bivouac around the fire with animation, after a traditional dinner under stars.

23H - Sleeping under tents

Friday, June 28 (6th day): Course of about 375 km

5:30 am - Wake up early to witness the magnificent sunrise and photograph the desert, bathed in the charm of the magnificent red glow of the sunrise.

07H - Back to hostels ride camels, photograph the morning in the Sahara.

08:30 - Breakfast at the hotel / bar - shower.

09H30 - Departure from Merzouga. We leave the sand dunes to continue our adventure, and begin a crossing of a wide variety of desert landscapes to discover cultures and lifestyles in the southern desert of Morocco, through large plateaus and green oases that contrast with the arid landscape all around.

11H30 - Cross Alnif, Tazzarine, Nkoub, Opportunity to discover an area of geological and mineralogical, floristic and faunistic attraction in the south-east of Morocco.

1:30 pm - Photograph the sublime valley of Drâa, and several kasbah located in the grandiose palm grove between Nkob and Tamnougalt.

14H - Lunch (restaurant in Tamnougalt) and rest in the village of Tamnougalt.

15H - Visit Kasbah Tamnougalt and its surroundings. On a rocky promontory on the left bank of Drâa, stands an impressive kasbah in a state of ruin, The Kasbah Tamnougalt is located in a lush oasis and we can cross the river to visit one of the oldest ksour of the valley . a walk around the Tamnougalt village will also be planned, through the abandoned Jewish neighborhood, the streets have remained intact.

16H - Departure from Tamnougalt.

17H - Cross Agdez, We continue crossing the Draa Valley, palm groves, kasbahs and Saharan villages of Berber origin, Arabs and Jews, was built more than 1000 years ago.

18H - Cross the mountains of the Anti-Atlas, via the pass of Ait Saoun 1660m altitude, volcanic landscapes with a beautiful panoramic view of the chain of the High Atlas.

19H30 - Arrival in Ouarzazate, and we close the circuit of 1200 km around.

20H - Moving to a 4-star hotel. - rest, shower and pool.

9H pm - Dinner at the hotel.

Saturday, June 29th (7th day): Course of about 200 km

8.30 am - Breakfast at the Ouarzazate Hotel

9H - Visit the film studios of Ouarzazate, a high place of the world film industry erected in 1983. Many famous films have been filmed as Ridley Scott's Gladiator, Asterix and Cleopatra of Alain Chabbat, Babel of Alejandro González Inárritu, etc.

11am - Departure to Marrakech.

12.30 pm - Lunch and relaxation in a restaurant in the High Atlas.

17H - Arrival at a 4-star hotel - Free time.

9.30 pm - Closing dinner (closing of the main program: Marrakech - Ouarzazate - Merzouga).

Sunday, June 30 (8th day): Course of about 4 km

08H - Breakfast at the hotel.

9:30 am - Travel to International Airport: For participants in the first program.

09H30 - Trip to Essaouira: for photographers participating in the optional program; (see the annexed itinerary).

NB: Depending on climatic conditions or for other reasons, these itineraries or places may undergo changes.

Optional Program

From June 30 to July 2, 2019

Sunday, June 30 (8th day): Course of about 175 km

09H30 - Take the minibus to discover the city of Essaouira, Ancient Mogador: On the way admire the famous argan trees populated by goats, and visit a women's association for the production of argan oil,

13H - On arrival, settle in a 4-star hotel

1:30 pm - Lunch at the hotel, and we leave for a real journey back in time,

15H - Browse the city of Essaouira and discover the history of a true mixture of cultures, Berber, Jewish, Arab, and European: photograph its narrow and winding streets, its old houses, its ramparts, its iconic port and traditional fishermen .

18H30 - Photographing the sunset under the cries and incessant tintamarre gulls and seagulls.

7:30 pm - Music Gnawa: Photograph a traditional performance of Gnawa.

9:30 pm - Dinner with entertainment outside the hotel.

Monday, July 1 (9th day): Course of about 370 km

08H - Breakfast at the hotel.

09H - Departure by minibus to the city of Agadir via sidi Kawki, a paradise for surfers at the edge of a beach as far as the eye can see, and we continue on the road along the Atlantic coast.

10:30 - Visit Imsouane, a small village of traditional fishermen, with a real small port, then we continue our trip along the coast.

12H30 - Visit kasbah of agadir oufella: (Panoramic view of Agadir)

1:30 pm - Lunch (restaurant in Agadir)

14H30 - Free time: a little rest free at the cornice of Agadir

16H - Departure to the crocoparc village: to photograph more than 300 crocodiles.

18H - Return to Marrakech.

21H - Arrival at a 4-star hotel in Marrakech,

22H - A closing dinner at the hotel - End of the photo meeting FIAP - Morocco 2019.

Tuesday 2nd of July (10th day): Course of about 3 km

08:30 Breakfast at the hotel.

Travel to Marrakech International Airport by minibus for the whole day.

NB: Depending on climatic conditions or for other reasons, these itineraries or places may undergo changes.

Further information

Registration Form

the attached registration form can be completed on computer in French or in English or Arabic, or Spanish and sent to the organizing committee in word or pdf format via email: moroccofiap@gmail.com , accompanied by a jpg copy of the passport identification page, and two recent photos for your badge and photo-meeting card, before 31st January 2019.

Photo-meeting registration fee

Main Program: 8 Days and 7 Nights (Four Star Hotels / Marrakech, Ouarzazate),

Double room: **851 EUR / person**

Single room: **1051 EUR / person**

In the desert, the accommodation of the place will be chosen in the best conditions of rest and relaxation.

Optional program: 3 Days and 2 Nights / See the attached program,

(Four Star Hotels / Marrakech, Essaouira)

Double room: **230 EUR / person**

Single room: **280 EUR / person**

Photo-meeting services

Registration fees include all the services detailed to the programs, principal and Optional during this Photo-meeting (from June 23 to July 2, 2019) namely:

- Accommodation (4-star hotel in the cities of Marrakech, Ouarzazate and Essaouira),
- Travel (minibus per group of 17 people),
- Insurance / medical assistance (during the two circuits from 23 June to 2 July 2019).
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner with 1 drink of your choice (soft drink, wine or local beer, etc.)
- Performances, Outings, excursion, (Dromedaries in the desert, animation, rental, fees, Tea,
- Entrance fees to the museum and madrasas, kasbahs and park (Tickets, reception, guides
- A bottle of mineral water of 1.5L per person / day.

Payment method

The registration will be realized after payment of registration fees before January 31, 2019, that is:

- **By transfer to the bank account of the Association :**
"Atelier d'Art Photographique" in Rabat - Morocco.

Or

- **via a money transfer operator on behalf of the president of the Association :**
Mr Mohammed Morchidi.

The receipt of the transfer or transfer must be sent in jpg to the email:

moroccofiap@gmail.com

Bank account

Holder: Association Atelier d'Art Photographique

Bank: Crédit Agricole Morocco, 11 Rue ANNABA, RABAT - MOROCCO

Bank Statement Number: 225810039855045651010157

In case of cancellation of the trip by the participant, the registration fee will not be refunded.

For memory

Registration deadline: January 31, 2019.

All correspondence, receipts, documents, or requests for additional information regarding this photomeeting should be sent to the e-mail: moroccofiap@gmail.com,

We suggest you to bring, other than your photographic equipment, comfortable clothes and shoes, a sweater or light jacket for the coolest moments for the night of the desert or the night of Essaouira, swimsuit, sun protector,, etc.

The prices are calculated during the year 2017 on the basis of a group of 75 participants, these prices remain the same with a minimum number of 30 participants.

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