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Morocco – welcome back



On February 7th Morocco officially re-opened to British travellers, lifting its ban on flights to/from the UK that had been in place since late October. This incredibly welcome news once again opens up a destination that offers an impressive range of trekking alongside enthralling cities and ancient cultural attractions. Adventure holiday experts, Mountain Kingdoms, explore the best of Morocco on their six small group trekking holidays that include treks along the coast, through the Sahara Desert and high into the Atlas Mountains. They can also arrange Tailor Made holidays from M'goun to Marrakesh.

Less than four hours flight from London, Morocco is a startlingly different country. From the haunting call to prayer, to the sensory overload of the souks, and to the surreal Mars-like desert landscapes, it seems a world away from home. Yet, now that it has opened its borders again to UK travellers, Morocco is an easily accessible country with good transport links and first rate accommodation, it also has a wide range of established and off-the-beaten-track trekking trails as well as highly experienced trek leaders and support teams.

Adventure holiday experts, Mountain Kingdoms, have been running treks to Morocco for many years and now offers six small group treks that cover Morocco's diverse landscapes and cultural attractions. All treks are led by an expert local guide and come with full-service camping and baggage portage. There is time in Marrakesh, staying in a characterful riad in the heart of the city, plus visits to key cultural sights and local interaction wherever possible. With airport transfers included, and travel by private vehicle, they offer excellent value.

Here are a selection of Mountain Kingdoms' Morocco holidays; full details of all trips can be found at <https://www.mountainkingdoms.com/destinations/morocco/holidays/all>.

M'goun Gorges Trek - NEW

A one week camping trek through deep gorges and across high plateaux beneath Morocco's third highest mountain – Jebel M'goun. This is a wild and remote area, frequented only by Ait Atta Berber nomadic farmers. The trek crosses the arid High Atlas from the north before finally emerging into the lush Valley of the Roses. This is properly adventurous trekking with plenty of river wading, but also offering a chance to explore Berber villages and see the sights of Ouarzazate, Kasbah Amherdhil, Kasbah Ait Ben Haddou, and Marrakesh.

Price from: £1,230 with flights or £995 land only
Duration: 10 days (on trek 7 days)
Departs: 20 May & 7 October 2022
Holiday URL: <https://www.mountainkingdoms.com/holiday/mgoun-gorges-trek-morocco>

Morocco Coastal Trek & Essaouira

This easy-paced trek starts at Sidi Kakoui - the former hippy hangout of Jimi Hendrix and the Stones – before heading south for five days along the wide deserted sand beaches of Morocco's Atlantic coast. By day there may be encounters with fishermen, goat herders and Berber villagers, whilst at night there's camping by the ocean lulled by the sound of the waves. Trek complete, it's off to nearby Essaouira for some R&R including an invigorating hammam, an atmospheric riad and some on foot exploration.

Price from: £1,225 with flights or £895 land only
Duration: 9 days (on trek 5 days)
Departs: 19 Feb & 19 Nov 2022 plus 18 Feb 2023
Holiday URL: <https://www.mountainkingdoms.com/holiday/morocco-coastal-trek-essaouira>

Sahara Camel Trek, Morocco

Spend five-nights under canvas on this dune trek from Mhamid, passing through palm groves, tamarisk oases, the big dunes of Erg Zaher, Wadi Draa and the Erg Smar dunes. The trekking is through varied desert terrain for around 5-6 hours each day, and supported by a camel team. Evenings are spent around the camp fire watching the stars. After the trek the return to Marrakesh is via the saffron fields of Talouine with a stay in the wonderful Pais Riad Hida at Ouled Berhil, and then up and over the dizzy Tizi n'Test pass.

Price from: £1,125 with flights or £885 land only
Duration: 9 days (on trek 6 days)
Departs: 5 Feb & 5 Nov 2022 plus 4 Feb and 4 Nov 2023
Holiday URL: <https://www.mountainkingdoms.com/holiday/sahara-camel-trek-morocco>

Berber Trek to Mount Toubkal, 4,167m/13,671ft

Jebel Toubkal, North Africa's highest peak, may be the main objective on this immersive trekking holiday but by avoiding the busier Toubkal trails, the trek also provides an insight into the land and lives of the local Berber people. A carefully planned route, with excellent acclimatisation, climbs steadily through the Toubkal Massif, crossing high passes, camping in picturesque pastures and enjoying the warm hospitality of the villagers en route. Finally, it reaches the summit of Toubkal which rewards with views over the Atlas Mountains and to the Sahara Desert beyond.

Mountain Kingdoms also offers a classic ascent of Mount Toubkal.

Price from: £1,030 with flights or £750 land only
Duration: 12 days (9 days on trek)
Departs: 11 May, 2 Aug & 6 Sep 2022
Holiday URL: <https://www.mountainkingdoms.com/holiday/berber-trek-to-mount-toubkal-4167m13671ft>

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