

# Hidden Trails

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*Equestrian Vacations  
- on & with Hidden Trails*

## About Hidden Trails



Hidden Trails is owned and operated by nature enthusiasts who love horses and adventure activities. We have been involved with riding and other outdoor vacations for over 20 years.

With our partners Voyage du Cheval (France), Pegasus (Germany) as well as Equitour (Switzerland and France) we have collected the best riding destinations all over the world in some hidden places we would like to share with you.

These rides are about galloping on endless beaches, forging rivers, cantering through forests, trotting along age-old trails, gazing at beautiful vistas and encountering foreign cultures. But most of all, these trips are about getting away from the cycle of too much work and never enough free time.

Escape from the rituals, which long ago froze our nights and days into little more than routine and away from the worries of our new tense times. It is so satisfying when we take the plunge of adventure - it's unfortunate that we invent so many reasons to put aside living our dreams of adventure. It is sometimes a tangled web that we weave through life. Some of the threads reveal a work-a-day world of commitments, duties and obligations. Other threads are of a quiet fabric of hope, responsibility and refreshment.

On our adventures you see the real country, its back country and meet the locals. The love for horses has no boundaries but possesses a common language we all speak and understand. The majority of the overseas rides are from inn to inn, some from castle to castle and a few are camping rides.

You will experience new countries and their customs and make new friends. The Hidden Trails trips are the best you can find.

They have been tested by our staff or associates and received our stamp of approval. If you are considering a special riding vacation anywhere in the world, call us first and let our experienced consultants match the perfect trip with your dream.

We will listen to you and give you objective advice to help you choose the best destination and adventure.

Your vacation is the most precious time of the year and we are committed to making it the most memorable time of your life. Wherever you go, have a great time and bring back some peace of mind.

Thank you for your continued support.

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# Cities of Kings - Morocco, Northern Africa

Tour Code: PG-MRT8  
8 days / 7 nights ~\$1,440.00  
Dates: Apr-Jun & Sep-Oct

Trip Rating: ●●●●●  
Difficulty: ●●●●●  
Lodging: 🏠

**Tack:** English trekking  
**Horses:** Arab, Berber stallions & mares  
**Pace:** Fast with many trots and canters, up t...  
Walk, Trot, Canter,

**Airport:** Rabat-Sale Airport (RBA)



## Introduction

Morocco, Morocco  
A unique horse riding experience that leads you through a rich and beautiful country to the historic heart of Morocco, a heart that is still very much alive and beating. You will see the Roman ruins of Volubilis and Meknes, the town of the great king Moulay Ismail and Fez, the Islamic centre of culture, handicrafts and religion. This experience also highlights the fertile and green Morocco, a Morocco with a rich soil where fruit and olive trees are growing everywhere. In contrast, you also discover the dry and deserted and aptly named Dead Valley. To ride here is to enter a new and yet unexplored world.

The trip begins with a meet up in Rabat and a transfer to Meknes. Our ride starts to the foot of the mountain range of Zerhoun. Lots of sandy fields offer many chances to canter before we reach Volubilis, an ancient Roman city with houses, like those found in Pompeii, ancient temples, bath houses, and a palace. Beautiful mosaics give you a picture of what life was like in those days. The road will take us to Moulay, across olive tree forests, up to the peak of the Zegota. We will have a magnificent view of the Rif mountains up to the springs of Dezala Des Ben Ammar. We ride across the white mountain range of the Rif and descend towards the Oued Mikkes. We follow this stream with many small windy roads and cross many Arab villages. When we enter Death Valley we encounter completely sterile land with colors alternating between yellow, white, and beige. We ride through many small Berber villages and across sandy fields until we reach the royal city of Fez, where we will visit the Medina, the University, and the Souk with its small shops. The ride continues from hill to hill and occasionally through small villages. Once in awhile we have the opportunity to race each other in a long gallop alongside fields where grapes and melons grow. After an emotional goodbye with our horses, a private car takes you to the Medina of Meknes and onto Rabat where you will spend the last night in a hotel.

## Accommodation



### Accommodations

This is a wilderness ride, so nights will be spent in different locations.

### Description

Camp option: 3 nights in hotels and 4 nights camping  
Hotel option: all nights in hotels/ riads

All hotel/ riad options contain private washrooms and free WIFI. A riad is a old house turned into a guest house. They often have very beautiful mosaics and wooden decoration. They are old homes from very rich people which often look like little palaces. They have few bedrooms but in style of 4\* to 5\* hotels. Hotel rooms are mostly naturally air-cooled and most of the hotels have their sun-warmed swimming pool! The average hotel has a small bar.

Laundry can be arranged in hotels. Inquire at the hotel for price.

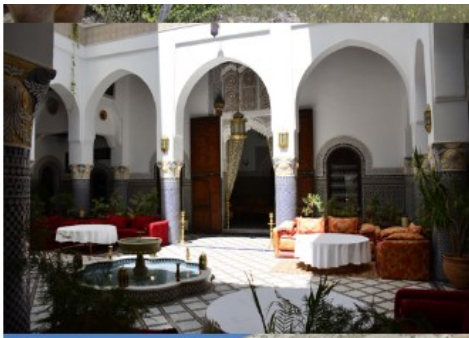
### Camp Itinerary - subject to changes based on availability

Night 1 & 7: Hotel in Rabat  
Night 2: Camping in Volubilis  
Night 3: Camping near Café Albrtqizia  
Night 4: Camping near Oued Mikkes  
Night 5: Riad in Fes  
Night 6: Camping in Ain Taoujdate

### Hotel Itinerary - subject to changes based on availability

Night 1 & 7: Hotel in Rabat  
Night 2 & 3: Riad in Moulay idriss  
Night 4: Hotel in Moulau Yacoub  
Night 5 & 6: Riad in Fes





#### Camping

You will overnight in comfortable dome tents with ground mats. There are rustic portable toilets (no flush) on site and no showers. There will be some rivers along the ride where you can bathe and wash up. Make sure to bring your own sleeping bag!

#### Hotel in Rabat

Ideally located in Rabat's city center, close to the old medina and its vibrant souks, this hotel has 69 rooms spread over 3 floors. All air-conditioned rooms include a telephone, a TV, WIFI internet access and a private bathroom.

#### Riad in Moulay idriss

Restored in the authentic Moroccan style, this riad offers individually decorated rooms and private washrooms. The sun terrace and outdoor pool are great for relaxation. There is free Wi-Fi access at this property.

#### Hotel in Moulay Yacoub

This small hotel offers simple accommodations in either bungalows or bedrooms with a small balcony. All accommodations include air conditioning and ensuite bathroom. Wi-Fi is available in public areas and is free of charge. The hotel features a restaurant with panoramic views of the surrounding mountains and an outdoor pool.

#### Riad in Fes

This beautiful 16th century Riad used to be the home of a rich merchant and has recently been restored in order to provide comfortable accommodation to guests. The architecture of this Riad is very typical of the area with water fountains and beautiful mosaics. Each room is tastefully decorated in the Moroccan style and comes equipped with air conditioning, satellite TV, free Wi-Fi access and ensuite facilities. The hotel also has a spa and a swimming pool. Laundry can be arranged for an additional fee.

#### Room Occupancy

Single supplement is mandatory if we are unable to find another rider to share.



#### Meals

All meals are included from dinner on Day 1 to breakfast on the last day.

You will enjoy a mix of food: some "western food" and some very good local specialties!

Some days a car will meet us for lunch and on some days we will have a picnic on the trail - you will take the food with you in your saddle bags.

Drinks in hotels or restaurants and alcoholic drinks on the ride are not included. In general, tap water should not be used for drinking but only for washing.

#### Dietary Restrictions

We can cater to dietary restrictions if given prior notice.

### **Riding**





#### Horses

You will ride small but very surefooted Arabian Berber horses with a great courage and stamina. Mares and stallions go together on the ride. Stallions and mares go well together, but some of the stallions need extra space when two are in the same area. A whip is suggested for the stallions, as they need strict orders. This does not make them difficult to ride, they just require more firm direction and more attention. These horses can get very attached to their riders and are always ready to please.

#### Tack

Mostly English and some military tracking saddles. Some people bring their own gel-cushion or sheep-skin cover to put over the saddle since we ride for long hours.

#### Staff

Driss and Rena have been organizing treks on horseback in Morocco since 1982.

Rena, once a schoolteacher in Switzerland, came to Meknes in the year 1984 to realize her dream of living in harmony with horses and nature. In love with Morocco and its inhabitants, she will help you discover another Morocco, away from the beaten track, authentic and enchanting, as your guide on the treks.

Driss is a riding instructor who used to work for the National Studfarm of Meknes. He has more than 25 years of experience with horses and he has taught a great many students (a lot of them French) who for the most part have gone on to be high level riders).

## Itinerary



#### Sample Itinerary- subject to changes

##### Day 1 (Saturday): Arrival at Casablanca

If arriving at Casablanca airport, travel by train to Rabat (not included). The train journey (1.5 – 2 hours) provides a glimpse into the rich diversity of the Moroccan countryside. If you have the time, you can visit Rabat to get a first impression of the Eastern lifestyle. You can take a walk in the Medina, the garden of Oudaiya or the Hassan tower.

We meet at the hotel with the guide and spend the night there.

*Meals included: Dinner*

*Overnight at Hotel in Rabat (hotel + camping option)*

##### Day 2 (Sunday): Ride to Volubilis

In the early morning a private car takes you to the city of Meknes where your horse awaits. They are Berber-Arab, small but very strong with a lot of stamina. A first trip takes us to the foot of the mountain range of Zerhoun. The road winds through many small villages with clay houses and olive trees, sunflowers and cornfields. We follow alongside a small river with beautiful flowers up to the village of Sainte de Sidi Ali. From here we have a splendid view of Meknes and its surroundings. Lots of sandy fields offer chances to canter before we reach Volubilis, an ancient Roman city with houses, like those found in Pompeii, ancient temples, bath houses, and a palace. Beautiful mosaics provide a picture of what life was like in those days. We eat and sleep close to the Roman ruins, beside a small river.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Riad in Moulay idriss (hotel option) or camping near Volubilis (camping option)*

##### Day 3 (Monday): Volubilis to Moulay Idriss

Today, the road takes us to Moulay Idriss, across olive tree forests, up to the peak of the Zegota. We have a magnificent view of the Rif Mountains up to the springs of Dezala Des Ben Ammar. The rocky ground does not allow many crops to grow here: only a few olive trees can grow in a rare open space. Before we arrive at the springs we travel through a country devoided of human life and completely deserted. A few human beings can always be found around a water well where animals drink. Culturally, these places are the Moroccan version of western 'water coolers' and provide a gathering place to discuss current rumors. We sleep in tents under olive trees.

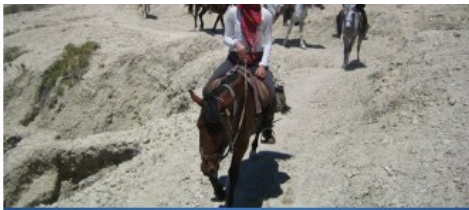
*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Riad in Moulay idriss (hotel option) or camping near Café Albrtqizia (camping option)*

##### Day 4 (Tuesday): Moulay Idriss to Oued Mikkes

Today we ride across the white mountain range of the Rif. Here and there you see a small village at the very bottom of a valley or small houses made out of clay. Agriculture here is done in an old fashioned way: with bare hands and we see many women doing hard work on the fields. After the picnic we descend towards Oued





hands and we see many women doing hard work on the fields. After the picnic, we descend towards Oued Mikkes to follow a stream that leads us across many winding roads and near numerous Arab villages. After this we will climb up a mountain to reach our camping spot for the night.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Hotel in Moulau Yacoub (hotel option) or camping near Oued Mikkes (camping option)*

#### Day 5 (Wednesday): Oued Mikkes to Fez

Today we enter the Death Valley which is named for its river: the water is so salty that it cannot sustain the plants, animals or humans in the area. To get water in this area, local people are forced to fetch water at places that are up to 3 hours away. The land here in the Death Valley is completely sterile and the color is always changing between yellow, white and beige. The road takes us through many small Berber villages via sandy fields from Moulau Yakoud up to Fez. The horses wait at the gates of the city and a car takes us to Fez to our hotel. In the afternoon we will visit Fez, the Medina, the old University, and the Souk with its small shops. Dinner will be in the Medina and accommodation in the pretty Riad.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Riad in Fez (hotel + camping option)*

#### Day 6 (Thursday): Fez to Ain Taoujdate

After breakfast we will leave the royal city. We will ride through the fields on top of hills with beautiful views in the desert valleys. Long canter over the mountain ranges are unforgettable. After the lunch, we will ride in the salt valley. In dry weather, the salt crystallize and the whole valley is shining in white. In the middle of the valley stands an impressive black mountain. The salt valley is surrounded by rose mountains. A way goes in the middle of the salty plane. Soon we will arrive at the blue shiny lake. On the border we will find the camp (for camping option, or riad in Fez for hotel option) where we'll have dinner and spend the night.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Riad in Fez (hotel option) or camping near Ain Taoujdate (camping option)*

#### Day 7 (Friday): Ride back to the stables

Today we will ride on soft ways, along a little river, which is curving through the valley. Bushes and trees grow beside the water. The farmers are planting vegetable in small well kept fields. Many little creeks are running along the way and crossing over the way so that the horses will jump the water. Enjoy this lonely valley with sheep herd grazing. Long canter will bring us back to the riding stables by noon. After an emotional goodbye with our horses, a private car will take you to the Medina of Meknes where you will have a short time to go through the souks. Afterwards the car brings you back to Rabat where you will spend the night in the hotel.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Lunch*

*Overnight at Hotel in Rabat (hotel + camping option)*

#### Day 8 (Saturday): Departure

Return by train to Casablanca to catch the flight home. You can also go directly from Casablanca to Rabat by plane.

*Meals included: Breakfast*



### Other Info

**Meeting:** Rabat hotel

**Airport:** Rabat-Sale Airport (RBA)

**Train station:** Rabat-Agdal

**Transfer:** --

**Distance:** 15 km / 9 miles

Transfers are not available for this trip. Meeting is at the reception in Hotel Bouregreg in Rabat at 8:00pm on the first day of the trip.

**Tack:** English trekking

**Horses:** Arab, Berber stallions & mares

**Pace:** Fast with many trots and canters, up to 8 hours and up to 50 km. Riders must have a least 5 years experience

Walk | Trot | Canter |

**Level:** 🐾🐾🐾🐾 (3.5 to 4 out of 5) Strong Intermediate

**Weight:** 190 lbs / 85 kg

**Riders:** Min 3 riders

Max 9 riders

## Rates and Dates 2026 - PG-MRT8

Rates include: Accommodations, All meals & 6 riding days

### Packages and Options

Season	Description	EUR	~US\$
A 2026	8 day trip (Camp)	€1200	\$1440
	Small group supplement (2 pax only), pp	€270	\$325
	Single supplement	€135	\$165
B 2026	8 day trip (Hotel)	€1535	\$1845
	Small group supplement (2 pax only), pp	€270	\$325
	Single supplement	€270	\$325

The US Dollar Rate is based on a EUR Exchange Rate of 1.2 and subject to currency fluctuation

### Transfer Option

#### Description

2026Transfers not available. Meeting is at the reception in Hotel Bouregreg in Rabat at 8:00pm on the first day of the trip.

2026Transfer by taxi from hotel in Rabat to Casablanca Airport ~ approximate rates €80\$95

2026Transfer by taxi from hotel in Rabat to Rabat Airport ~ approximate rates €25\$30

#### Tour Dates

Season	Tour Dates		
A 2026	04/25/2026 - 05/02/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Camp)
B 2026	04/25/2026 - 05/02/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Hotel)
B 2026	05/02/2026 - 05/09/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Hotel)
A 2026	05/02/2026 - 05/09/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Camp)
A 2026	05/09/2026 - 05/16/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Camp)
B 2026	05/09/2026 - 05/16/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Hotel)
B 2026	05/16/2026 - 05/23/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Hotel)
A 2026	05/16/2026 - 05/23/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Camp)
A 2026	05/23/2026 - 05/30/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Camp)
B 2026	05/23/2026 - 05/30/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Hotel)
B 2026	05/30/2026 - 06/06/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Hotel)
A 2026	05/30/2026 - 06/06/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Camp)
A 2026	09/12/2026 - 09/19/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Camp)
B 2026	09/12/2026 - 09/19/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Hotel)
B 2026	09/19/2026 - 09/26/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Hotel)
A 2026	09/19/2026 - 09/26/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Camp)
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B 2026	09/26/2026 - 10/03/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Hotel)
B 2026	10/03/2026 - 10/10/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Hotel)
A 2026	10/03/2026 - 10/10/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip (Camp)

Min/Max: 3/9

Rates do not include: Transfers from/to airports, Entrance fees and sightseeings (7 Euros per place), Alcoholic beverages, Drinks in hotels & Gratuities for porters (~10-20 Dirham and grooms (~70 Euros)

# Reservation Form

**Tour :** \_\_\_\_\_ **Code #:** \_\_\_\_\_ **from:** \_\_\_\_\_ **to :** \_\_\_\_\_

The Travelers (Last Name, First Name)	Male Female	Single room / or tent	Birth Date MM/DD/YY	Height	Weight	Special diets													
						Special diets	Beginner	Novice	Intermediate	Strong Intern.	Advanced	ride English	ride Western	mostly arena	mostly hacking				
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Special Diets: \_\_\_\_\_

Your fitness level: Excellent  Moderate  Poor  How long have you been riding? \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you ride? \_\_\_\_\_ Have you been on other riding tours? No  Yes  last trip when? \_\_\_\_\_

If Hidden Trails offers a transfer from the local airport/station: I would like the transfer to be included: YES  NO

In an emergency, name and phone number of contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Attention: Please, if there is more than one participant, all have to sign the reservation form - make copies if needed

With my signature I confirm my reservation of the listed program(s) under the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions. I'm aware, and I made all participants aware of the risk involved with these outdoor adventure activities. All participants have read and agree with the [Hidden Trails Booking Conditions](#) and the [Hidden Trails Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement](#) in this brochure or as listed on the Internet.

I (we) will sign and forward the [Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement](#) at least 10 weeks before trip starting date.

**Last Name and First Name (The Traveler)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street** \_\_\_\_\_ **e-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Postal/Zip Code** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone (wk)** \_\_\_\_\_ **(hm)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature (mandatory)** 1. \_\_\_\_\_

Please, charge a 25% deposit (minimum \$ 350 per person) now and full payment 10 weeks before the travel date to my credit card.

For payments by  VISA  Mastercard (no debit cards)

Cardholder: \_\_\_\_\_

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ 3 digit Security # \_\_\_\_\_

Exp.Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address for Credit Card (if different than mailing address):  
\_\_\_\_\_

I have enclosed a check for the deposit

Additional Signatures:

2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

**Travel Cancellation Insurance** Credit Card required

Sign me (us) up  initial \_\_\_\_\_

No, we will provide our own  initial \_\_\_\_\_

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