2023 Grand World Cruise **ZOOM Meet and Greet** 28 June 2022 Casablanca, Morocco Tangier, Morocco Malaga, Spain

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Casablanca, Morocco





Casablanca Essentials

- Moored April 6th (Thursday & Ramadan sunset 6:53 pm)
 - 7 AM to 7 PM
 - Industrial Port No Terminal
- Possible Shuttle bus to downtown Walkable?
- Taxis widely available cash only
 - Grand taxis fixed routes e.g. airport shuttles
 - Petit Taxis typical taxis maybe meters basic
 - Inexpensive (Bargain!)
 - No Uber
- Weather Pleasant –low 60's



Casablanca Essentials

- Language Arabic
- Money
 - Moroccan dirham (100 MAD is about \$10 USD)
- Visa Not Required
- Safety Normal Precautions
- Internet Wide Availability
- Cell Service All major providers
- Bargain for everything including taxis offer 25% of the first price
- Ask for photos be ready to tip
- Tipping 5-10% not expected but appreciated for excellent service



Ramadan

- One Month in Islamic Calendar (Lunar)
 - Moves about 1 month every year
 - Adults fast sunrise to sunset
- Tourist Restaurants open (hotels, chains etc)
 - Local restaurants closed
 - Most stores selling food closed
- OK to eat in tour vehicles
 - No one expects tourists to fast
 - Discretion appreciated
- Meals as part of tours not affected



Casablanca Things to See

- Hassan II Mosque
- Quartier Habous
- Morocco Mall
- Old Medina of Casablanca
- The Corniche
- Abderrahman Slaoui Museum





Restaurants



Central Market

- Chez Michel Et Hafida
- Resto-Grill Salaheddine
- Restaurant Chez Redouan

Things to eat



Couscous With Seven Vegetables



Snails in Spiced Broth



Seafood Pastilla

- Pastilla: Moroccan
 Meat Pie/flaky pastry
 (Pigeon of Chicken)
- Shrimp With Eggs in Tomato Sauce M'kila
- Zaazaa (Sweet Parfait)

Ramadan will make finding local food difficult during our visit



HAL Tours

- Casablanca Highlights \$80 4 hours
- Casablanca Panoramic City Drive \$70 2.5 hours
- Hassan II Mosque & Casablanca Sights \$110 5 hours
- Magical Marrakech \$250 10.75 hours
- Moroccan Cooking Demonstration & Market \$170 5.25 hours
- Private vans and cars \$400-\$1400
- The Imperial City of Rabat \$100 5.25 hours
- The Portuguese Towns of Morocco: Azemmour & El Jadida \$110 5.5 hours
- Ultimate Morocco: Casablanca & Raba \$160 10 hours

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