

# travelteer school TRIPS

# TRAVEL & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCES



# TRAVELTEER A BIT ABOUT US

#### **OUR CONCEPT**

Travelteer leads the way in responsible travel and ethical volunteering. We take great pride in the positive impact our volunteer initiatives have made on disadvantaged communities worldwide. Our diverse charitable programmes are designed to harness the skills and talents of volunteers, ensuring they make a genuine and lasting difference.

#### **OUR MISSION**

Establishing a bridge between volunteering and adventure. We provide school students the chance to explore new places, broaden their horizons and offer support in communities less fortunate than their own.

Our school trip experiences can count towards the 'residential' element of the Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award Scheme - providing fantastic experience for all those involved. Speak to your DofE representative for more information!







#### LOTC APPROVED

Awarded the national certification for 'Learning Outside The Classroom'.

# TRAVELTEER OUR CHARITY

#### TRAVELTEER IMPACT

'Travelteer Impact' is our non-profit charity that works with local communities by creating, sustaining and further developing charitable projects that help preserve the environment and create brighter futures for local children.

#### **CHARITY OBJECTIVES**

- Unlock the potential of under-privileged children in mountain communities.
- Rehabilitate and regenerate the local environment.
- Develop infrastructure in disadvantaged communities.
- 4. Utilise volunteers to maintain and develop projects.





# "WHERE IS MOROCCO?"

Morocco is found on the northern tip of Africa and is bordered by the Western Sahara in the South.

The Country is home to an amazing range of landscapes including desert, mountains and beautiful coastline.



# **COUNTRY HIGHLIGHTS**



Camel Trekking through the desert & sandboarding in the dunes



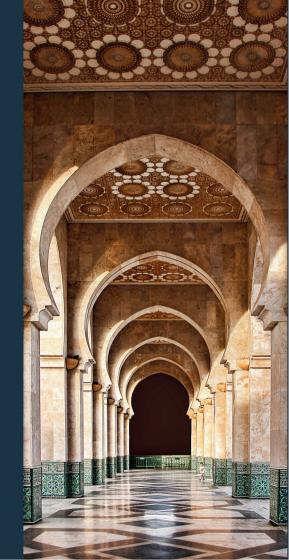
Experience the rich culture and colourful souks of Marrakech



Make an impact & volunteer in Mountain Villages.



Explore ancient ruins that have become film sets on Game of Thrones & Gladiator.



### SCHOOL TRIPS AN OVERVIEW

Our volunteer and travel experience in Morocco is exclusively designed for school groups - blending education, adventure and volunteering into a seven day trip. The entire experience is guided incountry by our UK management team and all students receive 24hr. support and flight chaperoning!

During this volunteering expedition, all students will partake in our Community Development programme that focuses on agriculture, village infrastructure and classroom revamps in Moroccan mountain communities.

#### WHAT'S INCLUDED











**VOLUNTEER** PACK









TRAVEL INSURANCE



DEPART TO MOROCCO





**DAYS 4 - 7** VOLUNTEERING



### **MOROCCAN EXPEDITION**

Our expeditions to Morocco provide students with the opportunity to experience the rich culture & mountainous beauty of North Africa in a safe and exciting environment.

Our expert in-country team will be guiding the school group every step of the way. Travelteer organises travel and volunteering experiences for 500+ students annually and all accommodation and activities have been hand-picked by Travelteer management.

Our wide range of activities allows students to experience all of the country's highlights, whether that be exploring historic souks & palaces, camel trekking in the desert or hiking through the dramatic Atlas Mountains!



EXPERT GUIDES



STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO



A/C VEHICLES



### WHICH REGIONS WILL WE EXPLORE? BUSTLING MARKETS ANCIENT PALACES MARZAZATE HISTORIC CITIES FILM SET TOUR THE SAHARA CAMEL TREKKING SANDBOARDING ATIAS MOUNTAINS VOLUNTEERING IN MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES MARRAKECH ACCRO PARK DONKEY RESCUE CENTRE







#### **DAY 1 ACTIVITIES**

Upon arrival at Marrakech Airport, the group will be welcomed by our incountry staff and transferred into the city.

Students will then enjoy a guided tour through the vibrant souks (markets) and historic palaces of the old medina, soaking in the sights, sounds, and culture of this iconic city.

The experience continues with a visit to the famous Jemaa el-Fnaa square —alive with storytellers, orange juice vendors, local performers, and views of the magnificent Koutoubia Mosque.







#### **DAY 2 ACTIVITIES**

After breakfast on the 2nd day, we drive through beautiful terrain to Ouarzazate, known as the gateway to the Sahara Desert featuring spectacular palaces and fortified cities.

Arriving in Ouarzazate, the group will tour the film sets of Atlas Studios where various films such as Black Hawk Down, Kingdom of Heaven and Gladiator I & II were filmed.

The group will also visit the Kasbah of Ait Benhaddou, a world heritage site and a prime example of an ancient fortified town. It also has been used in many films and series including Game of Thrones!







#### **DAY 3 ACTIVITIES**

Embark on a breathtaking journey through the Sahara Desert, trekking on camelback across sweeping sand dunes and passing small farms on the way to your campsite.

At the camp, students will get involved by helping to water and feed the camels, as well as assisting the cooks in preparing a delicious evening meal.

As the sun sets, enjoy the thrill of sandboarding down the dunes before settling in for an unforgettable night of wild camping under the stars.

Please note: During the summer months, camping is not possible due to extreme temperatures. In these cases, accommodation will be provided in a nearby villa.







#### **DAY 4 - 5 ACTIVITIES**

Over the course of two days, the group will volunteer in the mountain village of Telouet, working alongside and under the guidance of the local community.

Projects are based on the current needs of the village, but include:

- Agriculture Digging new water channels to support local farming
- Classroom Revamp Painting and refreshing school classrooms
- Infrastructure Assisting with traditional mud-brick construction

This is a unique opportunity to make a meaningful contribution while gaining insight into rural Moroccan life and sustainable development practices.



Make An Impact in Mountains





#### **DAY 6 ACTIVITIES**

Students will spend the day volunteering at a local donkey rescue centre, helping to care for the animals by feeding, washing, and mucking out their pens. This is a truly inspiring charity that we proudly support—and a portion of your fundraising will go directly towards their work.

In the afternoon, the group will head to Terres d'Amanar, a stunning adventure park nestled in the forest. Here, students can take part in exciting activities such as ziplining and high ropes courses, surrounded by breathtaking natural scenery.

After an action-packed day, the group will return to Marrakech in the evening and chill out by the pool.







#### DAY 7 ACTIVITIES

On the final day, students will have some time to explore Jemaa el-Fnaa square for a bit of last-minute shopping—perfect for picking up souvenirs and gifts to take home to their families.

Afterwards, the group will travel to the airport with the Travelteer team, say their goodbyes to our wonderful Moroccan staff, and board their flight back to the UK.

On arrival in the UK, a pre-arranged coach will meet the group and return them to the original drop-off point, where parents will be waiting for collection.



#### LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

### **ACCOMMODATION**

#### **TOURING THE COUNTRY**

Whilst travelling around Morocco you will be staying at carefully selected hotels. These hotels are experienced in catering for school groups and have western amenities available – most importantly a swimming pool! The rooms are arranged in either twin or triple sharing (single gender) and each student has their own bed. Our Travelteer staff will always be on-site with the students for supervision. For one-night students will stay at our campsite where tents and sleeping mattresses will be provided.

#### **VOLUNTEERING IN MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES**

During the two days of volunteering in the mountains, students will stay in a Gîte—a traditional, locally run hostel located in the heart of the village where the volunteer work takes place. The Gîte offers dormitory-style rooms with clean and comfortable facilities, including western-style amenities. While the accommodation is simple, it provides a warm and authentic experience of mountain life. Students will have their own dedicated area to relax, along with access to a beautiful balcony overlooking the mountains, making it a peaceful and memorable place to unwind after a day of volunteering.













#### LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

## **FOOD**

All meals are included from the moment students land in Morocco until they reach the airport for their return journey. Travelteer provides three meals a day, ensuring students are well-nourished and have the chance to experience a variety of Moroccan and international dishes.

#### BREAKFAST

Each morning, students will be served breakfast—whether at the Gîte in the mountains or one of our selected hotels during the tour. A continental-style breakfast is always available, including options such as cereal, eggs, fruit, and toast. There will also be opportunities to try a traditional Moroccan breakfast, offering a unique taste of the local culture.

#### **LUNCH/DINNER**

Students will enjoy a wide range of Moroccan delicacies, including popular dishes like tagine and couscous, as well as familiar Western options. When staying at the Gîte or camping, our on-site chefs will prepare fresh lunches and dinners for the group. We can easily cater for any dietary requirements or allergies—please ensure we're informed in advance so we can accommodate all needs.

# TRANSPORT

At Travelteer, safety and comfort are our top priorities. We work with a trusted in-country transport provider that upholds high vehicle standards and ensures regular maintenance of all vehicles.

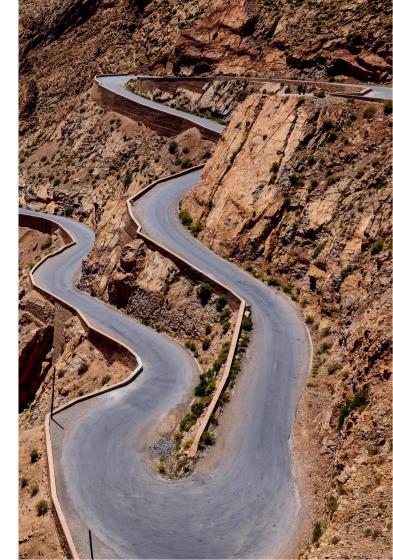
Throughout the trip, students will travel in 18-seater Mercedes minibuses equipped with air conditioning and panoramic windows, allowing them to relax and enjoy the stunning Moroccan landscapes in comfort.

Our drivers are highly experienced and possess excellent knowledge of local roads, ensuring safe and efficient travel at all times.









# SUPPORT

#### PRE-DEPARTURE SUPPORT

We take away the burden of paperwork so students can focus on preparing themselves for the trip.

The Travelteer team holds pre-departure meetings for both students and parents at the school, where we provide training and support sessions.

Our Travelteer online dashboard makes preparing for the adventure incredibly easy, allowing participants to manage all documents and payments online. Each group member receives a volunteer pack to guide them through their experience!

#### IN-COUNTRY SUPPORT

Our UK expedition leaders meet the group at the school car park, providing flight chaperoning to/from Morocco.

Travelteer expedition leaders will lead the group through the entirety of the trip. Our experienced in-country team delivers UK standards with local knowledge to give the ultimate service. The UK operations centre provides international support for teams around the world.

#### **WHAT'S INCLUDED?**



We believe preparation is the key to success. That's why we have developed a seamless planning process for the students, parents & school. From trip launch to trip debrief we are here to support the group every step of the way!



STUDENT PRE-DEPARTURE
PREPARATION



24/7 IN-COUNTRY SUPPORT



**UK EXPEDITION LEADERS** 



UK OPERATIONS CENTRE



TRAVELTEER ONLINE DASHBOARD

#### ACCREDITATIONS















#### YOU ARE IN EXPERT HANDS



Travelteer's local knowledge is unrivalled. Our team has a wealth of experience in providing safe and secure environments for students whilst abroad. Don't just take our word for it, we've been externally assessed and earned accreditations from leading bodies such as the Learning outside the classroom Council (LOTC) and British Standard 8848.



#### TRAVELTEER INFRASTRUCTURE

We take a long-term approach when it comes to overseas expeditions. We invest in selected countries so we can provide a guaranteed standard to schools. Our experienced team hand-picks accommodation, vehicles and volunteering programmes so participants can be ensured their experience will be second to none.



#### SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Speed of response during an incident is vital. We have developed a unique safety management system that provides our teams in the field with maximum support. Every element of our trip is audited by UK management with our in-country team giving a live feed of updates.



#### **BACKUP IF NEEDED**

With the UK operations centre at our core we have a dedicated, full-time team to manage any eventuality. Whether that be local or international assistance, our team is trained in incident management and crisis response. Communication is key, that's why all our staff are equipped with the latest communication technology, so our network is never down.



#### **INSURANCE & MEDICAL ASSISTANCE**

We have a comprehensive insurance policy providing the group cover for everything from medical expenses and repatriations to lost passports. Our trips are fully bonded by ATOL protecting the groups against unforeseen events.



#### **GOVERNMENT RECOMMENDATIONS**

We always work in line with the latest advice from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. We use both government and private security advice as a foundation to all our trip planning.



# TRIP COSTS

Participants have a one-off registration fee of £184 and from then on all other costs can be paid off via instalments throughout the year!



#### WHY REGISTER?

- Reserves your place on our school trip experience
- Covers the UK operational costs of running our projects.
- Unlimited access to all future Travelteer programmes!
- Provides pre-departure and 24/7 in-country support from the Travelteer team



#### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Accommodation
- All Meals
- In-Country Transport
- Travelteer Support Staff
- Travel Insurance
- All Tour Activities
- Airport Transfer (UK & Morocco)



# international flights £350 - £500

#### **GROUP BOOKINGS**

Student flights will be arranged as a group booking through our trusted flight supplier, who will secure the best available flight options for the group.

We aim to book the flights shortly after the first Pre-departure Meeting — please see the Next Steps section of this booklet for more details.

Airfares typically range between £350 and £500, although prices can fluctuate depending on timing and availability.



3 - 4 HOURS

2,640 KMS



HOROCCO



# **FUNDRAISING**

Volunteer fundraising is an essential part of our programme and has already made a huge impact on the lives of disadvantaged communities in Morocco. From setting up your JustGiving page to advice on great fundraising activities, the Travelteer team is always here to help!



#### **HOW MUCH SHOULD I RAISE?**

We require each student to fundraise a minimum of £100. The funds raised go directly to support our programmes, making a huge impact on local communities. These funds help us purchase equipment and further develop our initiatives.

#### FLIGHT REIMBURSMENT

Students are entitled to put any money over the required fundraising threshold of £100 towards the travel cost of their return flight. This will be reimbursed once the fundraising period has ended. Any surplus money exceeding the cost of your flight will be donated to Travelteer Impact to further our charitable causes!





#### **NEED IDEAS?**

Not sure where to start with fundraising? Join our online fundraising meetings to get inspired, share ideas, and connect with other fundraisers! If you ever need extra support or creative ideas for fundraising activities, don't hesitate to reach out to our team—we're here to help!

### THE TRAVELTEER DASHBOARD

Our online dashboard was created to make group travel that much easier. By logging onto the dashboard via our website, students and parents will have a complete overview of the upcoming trip and can easily upload all required details.







The Travelteer team uses the online dashboard to take care of managing all trip details, documentation and payments.



#### **SEAMLESS TRIP PREPARATION**

The dashboard guides parents and students through the whole planning process with an easy, step by step guide and progress bar.





# NEXT STEPS

TIME TO KICK OFF YOUR NEXT ADVENTURE!





# REGISTER WITH TRAVELTEER

Scan the QR Code or visit www.travelteer.co.uk/register to pay our registration fee and confirm your spot!



### PRE-DEPARTURE MEETING 1

Travelteer will return to the school for the first pre-departure meeting. The team will present to both the students and parents about trip preparation and to confirm the proposed flight details.



# FLIGHT BOOKING & DOCUMENT COMPLETION

Following the confirmation of flight details in the previous meeting, Travelteer will be booking all flights, organising all visas and all other necessary paperwork.



### PRE-DEPARTURE MEETING 2

One final meeting before we set off! The Travelteer team will return to the school to go over final trip preparations and a briefing on pre-departure, outbound and return details.

### CONTACT US

### START YOUR ADVENTURE



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