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Moon Morocco (Moon Handbooks)



Synopsis

This full-color guide includes vibrant photos and detailed maps to help with trip planning. Travel writer and Morocco resident Lucas Peters illuminates the majesty of Morocco, from the ancient streets of Fez to the nightclubs of Casablanca and beyond. Peters shares advice for climbing the winding hill into the crumbling kasbah of Tangier and wandering through the centuries-old cave dwellings in the Middle Atlas, and includes unique trip strategies for travelers of all types, such as •The Best of Morocco,• Adrenaline Rush,• and •Eco Tour.• Complete with suggestions for a night out on the Jemaa El-Fnaa, the carnival heart of Marrakech, and rock climbing in the North Draa Valley of the Southern Oases, Moon Morocco gives travelers the tools they need to create a more personal and memorable experience.

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Salut, Salaam and 'Sup! Thank you for your support, not only for this considering this book, but for supporting travel writing in general. It might sound glamorous or cool (Wow! You get to go on vacation all time time!), but I promise you, most of it is hard work, long nights and lots (and lots, and lots) of walking around and chatting with people. Most days I get back just plain pooped and want nothing more than my bed and a good night of sleep! I've put a lot of work into this and had a TON of support along the way, not the least of which from my wife's extensive family who are scattered around Morocco (though mostly in Tangier) and my own family who put up with me traveling all the time. I hope you find some good recommendations in these pages, some great places to eat, and most importantly, just enough tips to let you have all the adventure you want and feel comfortable knowing that you do have something to fall back on "just in case." Â Feel free to reach out to me before your trip or even when you're in the country and I'll do my best to help out! Happy travels and bon voyage! Lucas

My wife and I have been in Morocco now for almost 4 weeks, and have another month to go. I've found this book to be an invaluable guide. When possible, he'll tell you not just the name of a shop in the medina; he'll tell you (as best is possible in the warren of alleys) how to find it. His accommodation suggestions are made from personal experience staying in a place, not just from getting a tour of the rooms. And it's not just the things to do or places to stay, which of course can be found elsewhere; it's his attitude. Where other guides come from the perspective of a tourist, he has the attitude of a westerner who has lived here, married a Moroccan woman, and wants to share with you what he's learned. I have both the Lonely Planet guide and this one, and Lonely Planet has been sitting in the suitcase. This one is worn from use and will be shared with any friend who wants to come to Morocco.

Heading to Morocco in May My wife and I are flying to Morocco in May. We were in a bookstore looking for a travel guide on Morocco. We always look for Rick Steve's books but couldn't find one on Morocco. My wife picked out Moon Morocco and as we glanced through it became interested. The details are impressive and the photographs have artistic quality. The book has planned trips with layouts easy to understand. The maps are simple so I didn't get confused with too much detail. We haven't been to Morocco but planning the trip with this book was enjoyable. It's clear the author has lived in Morocco for many years and I hope his advice is good. I shouldn't give 5 stars until after

the trip, but I can tell this travel guide is a quality effort. We both read and used the book for it's intended purpose so I'm going 5 stars.

I brought two guide books with me on my trip to Morocco. One was Lonely Planet and the other was Moon Morocco. Being a first time visitor I quickly found myself relying on the Moon guide which provides a perfect mix of insight, culture and fun. I visited Fez, Marrakech, the Atlas Mountains and the Atlantic coast. All those destinations were thoroughly covered and the guide offers reliable tips on what to see, where to eat and how to best experience Morocco. The city and country maps were very useful for getting around and full color photos gave me an idea about what to expect. The Arabic and French glossary was also very useful and helped me communicate with locals who occasionally spoke spotty English. I recommend this guide to anyone looking to discover all of Morocco and get beyond the tourist traps.

I have to admit that I've had a rather impulsive desire to visit Morocco that is probably a result of being swooned by Kate Hudson's portrayal of the groupie Penny Lane in 'Almost Famous.' I've visited a lot of countries and I know that it's impossible to do everything in a short trip and it's best to just try and keep it simple and see a few memorable places and be able to enjoy them and relax some rather than just being in constant motion. I'm using the new Moon guide to plan a trip that is going to take place in the autumn. Normally I go for the Lonely Planet guidebooks but I had a bad experience with their guide to Singapore and thought it was time to give something else a try. This book is very well-organized, full of all the details that you need to lay out your itinerary, and full of interesting information. Flight leaves on the 30th of October and I already know exactly where I'm heading for dinner when I get to Fez....

You can tell Peters has lived in Morocco and loves every inch of it. He writes with a local's sensibility, yet respects the needs and desires of the traveler. I'm impressed by his ability to transport the reader from ski slopes and surf beaches to ancient souks and medinas. The pictures are fabulous, too. My last personal memories of Morocco are dated 1975, but this book carried me back and showed me all the ways this amazing country has both changed and remained very much the same.

Morocco has much to offer and Peters captures all of it, having smartly broken down the country both geographically and into easily digestible themes of what their visit could be like, each of which

caters to a different type of "in the know" traveler. He makes you believe, perhaps for the first time, that you can experience more than just the stereotypes of Morocco that you've seen depicted on television and in movies--there's surfing, bistros, and skiing, too! The "Know Before You Go" and "Planning Your Time" sections are extremely valuable contributions to the guide and help put less-traveled and anxiety-prone visitors like myself at ease.

As a traveller I expect to find in a guide two very different kinds of information. On the one hand what everybody needs to know about the culture, the places to visit, the food to eat and, on the other hand, tips from an author who really knows the country and will share some less travelled, less touristic, authentic gems. Lucas Peter's book is really great from both perspectives. It offers the very comforting impression of travelling with a reliable friend, who helps you to find your way in the touristic streets of the Medina of Marrakech as well as on the sand dunes of Merzouga, or towards some more quiet destinations (Asilah, the waterfalls of Zaouia d'Ifrane). The book is packed with inspiring pictures and practical information (how to hammam like a local, Packing list for the High Atlas), historical and cultural details (Roman history, Arabic storytelling, Berber pride or the footsteps of Burroughs, Bowles and Genet) and gourmet evocations of Morocco's culinary treats and splendours (from street food to the art of tagine or the red gold of saffron). A trustworthy companion to any trip to Morocco.

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