



RABAT, THE ELEGANT

Sophisticated and mysterious, the kingdom's capital is also a prestigious port of call where serenity and discretion mean elegance and the art of living. An exclusive city break for the enlightened travellers.



REASONS TO GO

- Change of scenery in a quiet setting
- The art of living
- Historical and architectural heritage
- A place for both cultural and seaside activities
- A prime location for business trips
- Temperate climate all year round

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- In addition to the spice markets and traditional souks in the medina, you can also enjoy the fish market.
- Early birds can attend the flag-raising ceremony (around 7:00 am) in front of the Mohammed V Mausoleum. It is spectacular!
- Tour the Chellah Necropolis in the spring. It is the peak of the flowering season and makes the site enchanting with a wonderful view of the Bou Regreg Valley.
- After a tour of the alleyways of Oudaïas and its Andalusian garden and the small art galleries along the way, drink mint tea at Café Maure, which has a panoramic view of the mouth of the Bou Regreg.
- Like many Moroccan cities, Rabat is undergoing many development and construction projects primarily designed to revitalise and add value to its coastline: development of the banks of the Bou Regreg River between Rabat and Sale, marina, redevelopment of the coastal road and of "Plage des Nations", plans for a new tourist area, etc.

THE BEST REASONS TO GO

Unforgettable places:

- **The medina:** dating from the 17th century, it was designed as a safe haven for Andalusian refugees, as evident in its imposing Andalusian Wall. Once inside, look for the mellah (Jewish quarter), the covered souks and the spice market.
- **The Oudaïas Kasbah,** medieval fortress built by Arab soldiers (Oudaïas) to watch for corsairs from Sale, the neighbouring city. A city within a city, it is full of charm with its quiet flowered alleyways, mild ocean breezes, scents from its Andalusian gardens...

- **Hassan Tower:** Built by Almohad conqueror Yacoub El-Mansour around the year 1200, this minaret was supposed to have been part of the largest mosque in the Muslim world. Although it was not completed, it still stands today among 200 columns on a vast esplanade overlooking the ocean.



Heritage and Culture:

- **Mohammed V Mausoleum:** This mausoleum’s architecture is a showpiece of the refinement of traditional Moroccan art.
- **The ruins of the Chellah Necropolis:** Built on the ruins of an ancient city, the necropolis boasts impressive walls and gardens of banana trees, hibiscus, palms, fig trees, daturas, jasmine...
- **Mawazine & Rythmes du Monde Festival (May):** This festival spotlights African and South American music, attracting stars from all over the world: Kylie Minogue, Stevie Wonder, Alicia Keys...



Excursions and Activities:

- **Sale:** Separated from Rabat by the Bou Regreg wadi, Sale, or the Corsair City, was a thriving town in the 17th century. Plan a tour of its white medina and the madrasa near the big mosque.
- **Golf Royal de Dar Es salam (45 holes):** The country’s most prestigious golf courses where top-level international tournaments are held, such as the Hassan II International Cup (November). A veritable haven in the middle of the century-old oak forest.
- **Oulja Potters Village (Sale):** a must-see for people who are looking to buy pottery, baskets, wrought iron or wood furniture-directly from the artisans.

AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Temperature en °C	17	18	19	21	22	24	26	27	26	24	21	18

IN THE AREA

