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## **GEEO ITINERARY**

Morocco w/ UNC

### **Day 1: Marrakech Arrive in Marrakech.**

Arrive in Marrakech and settle into the hotel before heading to a group orientation dinner. Insurance — they will be procuring their insurance through UNC — let me get a value estimate of that from Jason

### **Day 2: UM6P Travel to the Université Mohammed VI Polytechnique.**

Travel a short distance by bus to Mohammed VI Polytechnic University or UM6P for short! From there, we will settle into the hotel, tour the University, and meet (in person, ya salaam) our podcast partners.

### **Day 3: UM6P Project completion day. Explore Ben Guerir.**

Visit classes with your podcast partners and record final version in UM6P's professional production studio. We will celebrate the finishing of our projects with a group dinner and a presentation of podcasts.

### **Day 4: Marrakech/Agadir Return to Marrakech. Meet your G Adventures tour leader for a welcome meeting at 1:30 p.m. before setting off to Agadir.**

Eat breakfast and have time to explore Ben Guerir before catching the bus back to Marrakesh to begin our cultural tour. We will meet up with tour leader after lunch and then drive to the coastal city of Agadir. Upon arrival in Agadir, visit Souk Lhad, the local market, and have dinner on your own from one of the many food stalls. Souk Lhad is the biggest souk in the city and a popular place with locals and tourists alike. There are about 6,000 different stalls with vendors selling a wide assortment of items from clothing and rugs to fresh fruit and vegetables. Wander the stalls, try some delicious foods, and soak in the atmosphere of a bustling Moroccan souk. Approximate travel time: 3 hrs by private vehicle

### **Day 5: Agadir/Sidi Kaouki (B, L) Drive to Sidi Kaouki, stopping along the way to enjoy a hike from the beach up to a waterfall.**

During the drive from Agadir to Sidi Kaouki, stop to set out on a hike from the beach along a creek up to a small seasonal waterfall. You might encounter goats and sheep on your route that frequently drink water at the creek. The hike ends near a Berber village, where you will see a Marabout (spiritual house). Upon arrival in Sidi Kaouki, have lunch with a local family and enjoy tea out on the terrace. End the day with free time to walk along the beautiful waterfront of this small fishing town, or stroll down the beach and search for the perfect place to watch the sunset. Approximate travel time: 3 hrs by private vehicle

### **Day 6: Sidi Kaouki/Oualidia (B) Travel to Oualidia with a few stops en route.**

During the drive from Sidi Kaouki to Oualidia, stop in Essaouira and visit the colorful harbor in the oldest international port city in Morocco. Grab some lunch and visit the beach or sample some fresh seafood dishes prepared by the local food stalls along the waterfront. Next, continue further north to Safi, known for having the largest pottery market in Morocco. Visit the old town, the Portuguese Cathedral, and the ceramic market. Arrive in Oualidia in the evening. Approximate travel time: 3 hrs by private vehicle

### **Day 7: Oualidia (B) Enjoy a full free day in Oualidia.**

Spend the day Oualidia overlooking a beautiful coastal lagoon. There is a wide variety of outdoor activities to choose from, including swimming, birdwatching, and surfing. Kayak rentals and standup paddleboard rentals are available. The beach is beautiful, and the lagoon offers a quieter area for swimming away from the surf. Oualidia is known as Morocco's oyster capital. Choose to visit the OSTREA Oyster Farm to learn all about the cultivation process and try some of the uniquely flavored oysters. In

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the evening, if the weather permits, the group will enjoy a sunset bonfire.

**Day 8: Oualidia/Marrakech (B) Transfer back to Marrakech.**

After breakfast, transfer back to Marrakech, about three hours from Oualidia, arriving around 12 p.m. Enjoy a guided tour of the old city. Approximate travel time: 3 hrs by private vehicle

**Day 9: Marrakech Depart Marrakech at any time.**