



## **MOUNTAIN VOYAGE MOROCCO – EXPERT GUIDED SHORE EXCURSIONS IN MOROCCO**

### **FULL DAY TOUR CASABLANCA**

On arrival at the Port of Casablanca, which is located only a few minutes away from the city centre, you will be met by your expert English speaking guide and escorted in air conditioned transport around the city. We suggest a brief stop along the Corniche for a glass of freshly-squeezed orange juice overlooking the Atlantic Ocean before setting off to see the sights. Casablanca, located on the Atlantic Ocean is the business centre of Morocco. Casablanca was established as a commercial centre by the French. The architecture is a mix of modern, art deco and the traditional.

Your highlights of Casablanca include a visit of the Central Market, then the old Mahakma building constructed in marble, stone and wood, with no fewer than sixty rooms. It was simultaneously a Muslim law court and the Pasha (Governor) of Casablanca's reception hall.

Other places to visit are the French-built Quartier Habous with its splendid examples of Art Deco architecture, the Notre Dame de Lourdes Church with its stained glass windows, La Corniche on the ocean front and the remarkable Mosque Hassan II, one of only two mosques in Morocco open to non Islamic believers. Built by the late King Hassan II at the end of his 40-year reign, this astounding edifice is larger than Saint Peter's in Rome and capable of holding 80,000 worshippers.



Time for lunch and continue to visit the Museum of Moroccan Judaism in Casablanca, that museum, which covers an area of 700 square meters, is the first of its kind in the Arab world. It consists of created by the Jewish Community of Casablanca in 1997 with the support of the Foundation of Jewish-Moroccan Cultural Heritage. It uses world-class standards of conservation for its national and international collections. That Museum presents religious, ethnographic and artistic objects that demonstrate the history, religion, traditions and daily life of Jews in the context of Moroccan civilization.

You'll be transferred back to your ship in time for departure.