



#### **FULL DAY TOUR OF TAROUDANT**

#### **EXPERT GUIDED SHORE EXCURSIONS**

On arrival at the Port of Agadir, you will be met by our expert guide, and chauffeur driven to Taroudant in your private air conditioned vehicle. Drive through the fertile Souss Valley, passing by citrus fruit plantations and Argan tree forests, with their gnarled and twisted trunks. This tree is typical of south-west Morocco, and produces nuts that are the source of the rich and tasty oil with several beneficial properties. You might even have a chance to stop and watch goats as they nimbly scamper in the upper branches of these trees to eat their fruits. One more amongst the many perfect holiday snapshots that Morocco can provide!



You will continue until you reach the beautiful walled city of Taroudant, former capital of the Saadian dynasty, often described as a 'scaled-down version of Marrakech'. With its majestic gold, pink and orange circuit of high walls, Taroudant looks as a charming citadel built in the midst of an oasis. Its ruddy clay houses and minarets, surrounded by groves of orange trees and pomegranates, seem to drowse beneath the gaze of the frosted High Atlas.

Time for lunch in the gardens of legend-like hotel La Gazelle D'Or, and continue the tour. Your visit will include a walk by the red 11th-century ramparts, and its five monumental gates (Babs). Then immerse yourself into the hustle and bustle of this former Berber rebel stronghold, now renowned for the welcome it extends to its visitors, and the friendliness of its shopkeepers. The maze of narrow streets leads to the busy square of Place Assarag, in the heart of the city. A guided tour of the souks with their traditional crafts on display will be provided, featuring silver jewelry, leather, engraved limestone, saffron, and many more spices, and of course Argan oil. You'll be driven back to the Port of Agadir in late afternoon.

**Prices are on application**