### Overview

There are plenty of fully staffed, outstanding villas in Marrakech's Palmeraie to choose from, but this one offers a little more, especially if you are a keen golfer. It boasts five astonishing bedroom suites, gorgeous living areas, some of which enjoy a double height aspect, stunning gardens and terraces, plus an endless list of entertainment. At the end of your stay, you will feel totally relaxed and wonderfully pampered and indulged. Villa Assakane boasts a fabulous heated swimming pool, a private tennis court with night lights, a hammam, a massage room and an excellent pitch and putt course. Not only that, the villa offers an outstanding team of staff who are there to look after your every whim. Your butler, chef, housekeeper and gardener live in a separate housing on the estate and are available 24/7. Villa Assakane is exceptional and will send you home with magical holiday memories.

Villa Asskane has been brilliantly designed for large groups of guests who may like some private relaxation as well as wonderful entertainment spaces for the whole group. Its rooms enjoy a rich colour palette that makes for a welcoming and warm ambience. The living spaces include a phenomenal double-height living space brimming with sumptuous red sofas, a sociable round dining table, lavish chandeliers, extravagant drapes and atmospheric fireplaces. It enjoys a wonderful blend of Moroccan and oriental styling. Pillars and arches partly separate the two areas, which both feel spacious and cathedral-like. The television room is also partly separated by arches and pillars. It is a lovely, comfortable room where you can snuggle up on more vibrant sofas and watch a movie.

This magnificent villa boasts five incredibly spacious bedroom suites. Three are located on the garden ground floor level, while two sit above, offering sensational garden views. Two ground-floor rooms enjoy lavish double beds, fireplaces for a crackling atmosphere, dressing rooms, televisions, ensuite bathrooms with his and hers sinks and a bathtub and direct access to the garden. The third ground floor room boasts two comfy beds, one a double and the other a day bed, a living area, fireplace, television, dressing room, an ensuite shower room and wonderful golf views. It is enormous! On the first floor, both rooms offer beautifully dressed double beds, ensuites with walk-in showers, fireplaces, dressing rooms and televisions. The first-floor terrace is absolutely wonderful, with sensational views of the Atlas Mountains. All of the rooms are perfect for long lazy lie-ins, even though you might be itching to get on the tennis court or in the pool!





Villa Assakane is organised around a central terrace which is open to the swimming pool and garden. This is partly covered and perfect for alfresco dining. It comes with exquisite outdoor furnishings. The villa's gardens are stunning, sprinkled with bougainvillaea, stately palms, orange trees, olive trees and wonderful borders. The wondrous pool is surrounded by luxury loungers, parasols and towering palms where you can relax with cocktails and your holiday books. The villa's private clay tennis court is very popular, especially in the cooler evenings when you can turn the lights on. Golf lovers enjoy the pitch and putt course.

### **Facilities**

Villa/House • Private Pool • Heated Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • <1hr to Airport • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Tennis Court • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Satellite TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Parking Space • Golf Nearby • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

# **Interior & Grounds**

Ground Floor

- Large living room with various seating areas, fireplace and access to the terrace

- Open plan dining area for 7 people and access to the terrace
- Professional kitchen for staff use (guests are not allowed)
- Media room with comfortable seating and  $\mathsf{TV}$
- Hammam and massage room

- Bedroom with double bed, dressing room, fireplace, air conditioning, access to the garden and en-suite bathroom

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- Bedroom with double bed, dressing room, fireplace, air conditioning,  $\mathsf{TV}$  and en-suite shower room

#### First Floor

- Bedroom with double bed, dressing room, fireplace, air conditioning,  $\mathsf{TV}$  and en-suite shower room

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#### Exterior Grounds

- Private heated swimming pool
- Large terrace and garden area
- Various sun loungers
- Outdoor dining
- Covered terrace
- Garden furniture
- Private parking
- Tennis court

#### Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi connection
- Air conditioning
- Central heating
- Cot and high chair
- Satellite TV









### **Location & Local Information**

Villa Assakane enjoys a very popular, peaceful location just outside of Marrakech's Medina in the palm-scattered Palmeraie. It is a smart, attractive, sophisticated area and offers a good selection of entertainment options. It connects Casablanca to Fez. Golf enthusiasts enjoy the Golf de la Palmeraie club, which is close to the villa. An equestrian centre and camel riding are also nearby. Quad bikes and hot air balloon rides with Marrakech Balloon are also popular with guests looking for some thrilling adventure.

Marrakech is a bustling, intoxicating, colourful city of wonders that offers an inexhaustible source of surprises. It is Africa's Capital of Culture, where everything is on the move. Finding out all of its secrets would take forever, but you can visit a handful of attractions in a few days to get a taste of its noble past and its frenetic present. Colourful spices, glistening lamps, colourful carpets and leather in every shade imaginable are combined with a rich, ancient architecture to capture your heart and soul. Its souks are loud, thrilling and very exciting. You can shop for sweets, clothing, leather, spices, soap, perfume, rugs, lighting, musical instruments and much more. All prices are negotiable, and bargaining is a social art. You will discover snake charmers, storytellers and potion sellers. Dining in the Medina is an adventure and will set your tastebuds tingling. Smoke rises from barbecues which are enjoyed along with Gnawa musicians, acrobats and fortune tellers. The famous Patisserie des Princes is perfect for sweet treats and ice cream afterwards. Many of the riads boast exquisite restaurants for fine dining experiences where you will enjoy creative, spice-laced modern Moroccan menus, many of which are on rooftops with fabulous views. Your friendly staff at the riad can recommend and book tables for you. The wonderful Riad Yima Tea Room is the home and personal gallery of Hassan Hajjaj, the Andy Warhol of Marrakech and is filled with upcycled pop art. It is fun and a great place to grab a classic cup of mint tea. The Medina's labyrinth of winding lanes and alleyways is best explored with a willingness to get lost and a sense of adventure. In 1985 the Medina was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Hammams were introduced to the city by the Romans and adapted to fit Islamic ablution rituals. Visitors enjoy wonderful hammam experiences at Hammam de la Rose, the Farnatchi Spa, the deluxe Royal Mansour and many other spas.

Marrakech enjoys many stunning buildings. The Bahia Palace was built in the late 19th century and now forms the centre of the city's culture. It boasts incredible decor along with high, gilded ceilings, mosaics, stuccos, paintings, the mesmerising quarters of Bou Ahmed's favourite concubine, Lalla Zineb and an enormous landscaped garden.





Photographie, a three-storey riad-turned-gallery housing the vintage Moroccan photography collection of Patrick Menac'h and Marrakshi Hamid Mergani. Its rooftop cafe is one of the highest in Medina. The Musee Tiskiwin displays the history of Marrakech and the region in general. The Dar Si Said Museum is an exhibition of historic and contemporary Moroccan art, full of intricate Byzantine designs and colours. The Musee Boucharouite features stunning tapestries and another hidden rooftop cafe, while the Musee de Mouassine shows off the work of a local artist. The Music Museum is located in the Saadian quarter, built in the 16th and 17th centuries. The reception of the museum is a jewel of Arab-Andalusian architecture.

The area around Marrakech's Medina is sprinkled with magical gardens. Le Jardin Secret is one of Medina's largest and most important gardens, with a Persian garden full of tufty grasses and olive, pomegranate, fig and date trees and a second smaller garden offering exotic plants. An elaborate irrigation system weaves its way through the gardens, part of an ancient network that once distributed water from artesian wells and fed by the mountains. When fashion icon Yves St Laurent arrived in the city in 1964, he was overwhelmed by the city and its vivacity. He lived in the Jardin Majorelle with his partner, a lush garden painted with an intense shade of ultramarine blue. It is full of giant cacti, palms and bamboo groves. The Berber Museum is filled with Yves St Laurent's personal jewellery and fashion collection, and the Musee Yves St Laurent offers a stunning choreography presentation of the clothes in a dramatic black hall.

Visitors to Marrakech usually enjoy combining trips to the Medina with excursions into the mountains and its mountain villages. It is the perfect contrast to the thrillingly frantic energy of the Medina and the buzz of its museums, palaces and gardens. After a delicious Moroccan feast around Djemaa El Fna, you can trek up Northern Africa's highest peak, Mount Toubkal or enjoy a surprising experience of North African skiing at Oukaimeden. The Atlas Mountains are sprinkled with pretty villages, beautiful waterfalls and dramatic viewpoints. Imlil is a popular hub to start exploring, and the Bureau des Guides d'Imlil can arrange guides. You will enjoy unforgettable day trips, visit traditional villages, taste delicious food, and enjoy the fabulous scenery and a mesmerising mix of Berber, Arabian and European cultural influences. You will also discover some of the best golf courses in Marrakech, including the Amelkis Championship Golf Course and the Marrakech Royal Golf Club.

### **Local Amenities**

Nearest Airport

Marrakech Menara Airport (20 km)

Nearest Village	Assakane (3 km)
Nearest Town/City	Marrakech (14 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Fadha'a Alzaytoon Restaurant (9 km)
Nearest Supermarket	BIM (12 km)
Nearest Golf	Amelkis Golf Club (15 km)
Nearest Tennis	Marrakech Royal Tennis Club (16 km)
Sightseeing	TBM (tourist attraction) (22 km)

## What we love

- Villa Assakane is beautifully presented throughout, with both Moroccan and Oriental influences. Its rich colour palette is warm and inviting, and it boasts exquisite furnishings!
- The villa sits in stunning extensive gardens sprinkled with towering palms, centuries-old olive trees, lush lawns, a gorgeous pool, a private tennis court, a pitch and putt course and superb alfresco lounge and dining spaces
- The villa comes with very attentive yet discreet staff who will make sure that you relax and enjoy a very special holiday with your loved ones. Catering is included in the cost of the rental. You just pay for the groceries and grocery delivery!

## What you should know...

- The villa rental includes a catering service with additional costs for groceries, grocery delivery, drinks, the heating of the pool and hammam, massage treatments, laundry services and any other additional requested services. If you receive a good service, it is much appreciated to tip the staff
- Please supervise children around the pool
- Three of the bedrooms are located on the ground floor
- Please bear in mind that during Ramadan, the traditional month of fasting and purification, some restaurants and cafes close during the day and general business hours are reduced

# **Terms & Conditions**

- Security deposit: €3,000 charged to client's credit card by the owner before/upon arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.

- Arrival time: 4 pm
- Departure time: 11 am
- Energy costs included ?: Yes, included in rental price.
- Heating costs included?: Yes, included in rental price.
- Linen & towels included ?: Yes, included in rental price.
- Pool towels included?: Yes, included in rental price.

- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes. However, guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or garbage disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.

- Internet access?: Wi-Fi internet access included.
- Minimum stay: 3 nights during low season. All other durations on request.
- Changeover day: Flexible.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Smoking Allowed?: Smoking & Vaping are not permitted.

- Pool heating charge?: For those who require pool heating, there will be an additional charge of €100 per day, plus preheating cost of €200 (to be paid locally on arrival). Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.

- Tax: Tourist Taxes are not included in the rental price and are to be paid locally in cash on arrival (the correct total per person per night will be sent to you after booking confirmation).

- Insurance: Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, personal belongings, personal liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.

- Other Ts and Cs: The house staff consists of a butler, a chef, a housekeeper and a gardener. They have an independent housing on the property and are available 24h/24 for you.

The cost of food is NOT included in the rental price and will be billed to you at the end of your stay, payable locally in cash or by bank transfer.

- Other Ts and Cs: A non-refundable 40% deposit is required to confirm a booking at this property (or full payment if booking within 12 weeks of departure).