



MARRAKECH ATLAS ETAPE

MARRAKECH TO OUKAÏMEDEN (2624 m)

CHARITY BIKE RIDE - SUNDAY 24 APRIL 2016



ARGAN XTREME SPORTS



**7 Night or 3 Night or 4 Night—
ALL IN CYCLING HOLIDAY**

Stay the week this time ! 22-31 April 2016



Arrival / Day 2 22 & 23 April

Route Description— Friday arrival at Marrakech airport, transit to hotel Zalagh Kasbah, near race starting point. Check in chat, with the other riders and relax. In the evening have your dinner at the hotel. On Saturday morning you will be met by the team from AXS to have a bike fitting , registration and a warm up ride at, your option of 20/40/60 KM to spin and refresh your legs. Shower and then take lunch at the hotel and prepare for your AXS Magical Marrakech tour at 3 PM from the hotel. This tour brings you by bike through some of the most interesting parts of the city with a stop in the main square for orange juice. You will have a dinner with Atlas Etape organizers. Get some sleep and prepare your mind and body for



The Ouka DAY! 24 April

Route Description— Sunday has arrived—get up early and load up cause it will be a doozy. Your race fees are included in your package. Mingle at the start line and then it is off on a ride that includes a climb with more altitude gain than any on the Tour de France. You will have feed stations and water stops along the way as a mix off serious and not so serious local and foreign riders make the way across the plain and up into the mountain. After countless switch backs and changes in terrain as the road rises to the Moroccan ski station at Oukaimeden—a life achievement and then the decent on the breaks and over the flats back to the city of Marrakech. You can join the other riders in the tent for some refreshments and awards. The hotel is nearby so freshen up, get a massage if you like and get ready for the evening dinner and party put on by the Marrakech Atlas Etape organizers. Then transfer back to for your last night in the hotel before your mountain adventure.

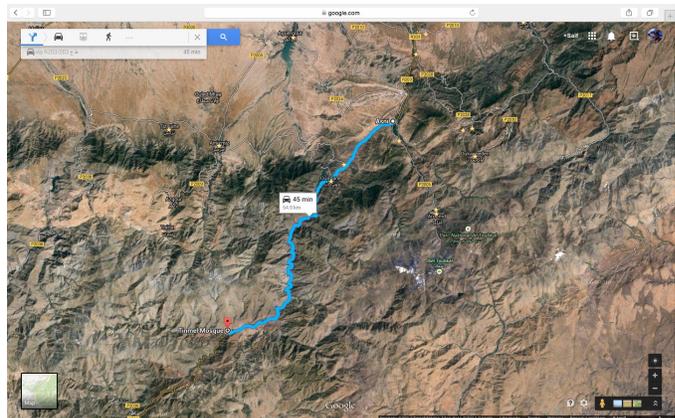


Asni to Tinmel EFA Ride 25 April

Route Description—The route starts in the small Atlas foothill town of Asni. We ride the smooth road that winds through these mountain passes . We will have some climbing and decent through the tree covered mountain valleys. We pass Ouirgane and the reservoir and wind along the N”Fis river bed. After 55 KM, the final climb leads to the Timel a small village in the High Atlas that was the cradle of the Berber Almohad empire, in the early 12th century. Optional ride back to Ouirgane hotel (44 KM)

Education For All— visits we will start with the visit in Asni and meet the girls there in their boarding house. Our lunch will be at the Tinmal EFA house

Evening we will check in and unwind by the pool in the High Atlas boutique hotel Ksar Shama.. They have hammam and massage spa available if you would like to treat yourself. We will meet up for dinner together and then head back to the rooms for a good night sleep



The Berber Atlas Loop 26 April

Route Description—The route starts from Ouirgane winds through the valley past the turn off to Moulay Brahim, and leaves the main road for the seldom used quite mountain loop. We will be stopping after 29 KM at Tazelga. We will enjoy lunch at this tiny mountain Berber town. From there we loop around the deep valley gorge to the opposite side of the valley and return back to the main road to Tassloumt covering 22 KM. We then head back up the main road back to Ouirgane having covered an additional 24KM .

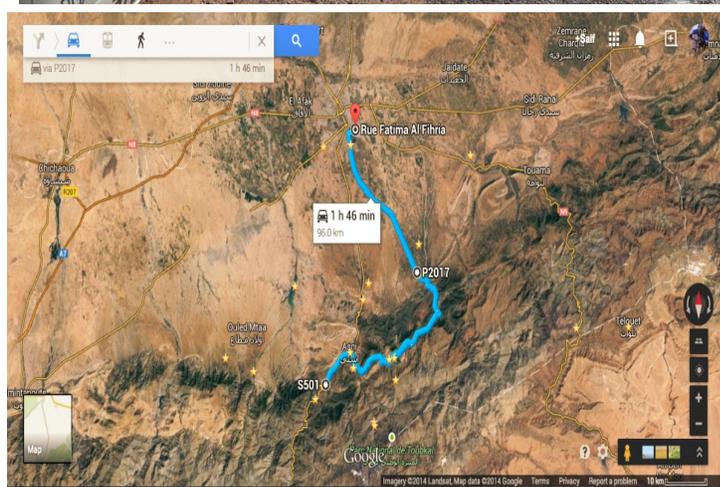
Education For All— visits one final EFA boarding house at Ouirgane before setting off on our Loop Ride

Evening another relaxing evening by the pool in the High Atlas boutique hotel Ksar Shama Once again some may want to treat themselves to the on site hammam and massage We will meet up for dinner together and then head back to the rooms for another well deserved good night sleep



Ouirgane-Ourika-M'Kech 27 April

Route Description—The route starts from Ouirgane past breath-taking views of the mountains along the road cutting across towards Ouikaïmeden. The sign says 19 KM to the summit but we are heading down towards Marrakech. Our route connects with the main road down the Ourika valley along the Ourika river 60 KM to a traditional Moroccan restaurant overlooking the valley. We will go from there through “Scorpion City” and then 30 KM more towards the city of Marrakech for a stop off at AXS headquarters to drop off the bikes and



Evening Marrakech old city center. We will enjoy a free agenda evening within the historic walls of the city and spend the night in one of the small restored palatial homes in the city called Riads



Marrakech & Palmery 28 April

Route Description— Free day in Marrakech, Djemma El Fna a UNESCO project Masterpieces of the Oral and Intangible Heritage of Humanity. The place is known for its traditional activities, storytellers, musicians and performers. Visit the ancient souk that is functions much in the same way it has for the last 500 years. In the evening you will have an off road treat with an AXS Sunset Palmery tour and a traditional Moroccan dinner.



Evening After the dinner you will be transferred to your Riad enjoy the open areas and perhaps a cup of tea for a relaxing finish to this your last evening in Marrakech (at least on this trip). You will sleep in the company of the many memories made on this unforgettable trip



Departure Day 29 April

Route Description— Friday is the last day of the adventure. If you would like to extend please inform us and we will make arrangements to extend your stay additional days if you need it. Otherwise after breakfast at a time convenient for your flight we will transfer you to the airport and bid you farewell. You will leave knowing you have made a great accomplishment as well given back as a percentage of all proceeds go to the EFA Charity.



Rates and other key information

Option 1—If you are ... Arriving on Friday leaving on Monday

680 € for the 3 Nights / 4 Days—including the MAE ride

160 € for single supplement (above prices based on shared room)

Same schedule but Saturday do the Asni to Tinmel EFA ride

Option 2 if you are ... Arriving Friday and Leaving on Tues

1160 € For the 4 nights / 5 days—including the MAE ride

230 € for single supplement (above prices based on shared room)

Same schedule as above dropping at airport on Tuesday

Option 3 if you are ... Arriving Friday and leaving the following Friday

1950 € for the 7 nights / 8 days—including the MAE ride

400 € for single supplement (above prices based on shared room)

**** Includes bike hire, helmet hotels, meals, transport, support vehicle, water basically everything but your clothing and shoes. If you like to bring your own pedals or seat we will fit it for you**

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