

Dar Sabra

Region: Morocco **Sleeps:** 16

Overview

Dar Sabra is a brilliant, unique and extremely comfortable villa located in the thriving heart of the Palmeraie, just ten minutes from the heady, buzzing centre of Marrakech. This fantastic six-bedroom villa comes with a full house staff who are ready to look after your every whim. It boasts sensational gardens, terraces, a tennis court, a swimming pool, a children's play area, a hammam and gorgeous, colourful living spaces. Dar Sabra was built in a flamboyant style by the famous architect Elie Mouyal and decorated by Jacqueline Foissac. The villa will transport you back to the Marrakech of the 1970s and is the perfect holiday haven that promises relaxation and rejuvenation away from the beating heart of this magical city. Guests in search of authenticity, calm, space and beauty will relish in Dar Sabra's wonder.

Dar Sabra enjoys rustic peach hues, a lived-in ambience and a warm Moroccan charm. It is set within a fabulous green park of three hectares. You will be lured into the seductive pool, can relax on sumptuous outdoor day beds, dine alfresco, take pre-dinner drinks in a beautiful setting, soak up the sun and admire Dar Sabra's vast, beautiful gardens, which are sprinkled with palms, fruit trees, olive trees, cypresses, bougainvillea, hedges and colourful plants. Its French garden is followed by ponds, an Andalusian garden and a cactus garden. The 15m x 5.5m swimming can be heated on request and is surrounded by luxury sun loungers and day beds, a pool house and a traditional hammam, which is also available on request. Children are happy in the playground area with its trampoline, swings, sandbox, table tennis and other equipment. Tennis fans love the clay tennis court.

Dar Sabra was built by the best local craftsmen and came with the traditional technique of tadelakt. Each room offers a different colour palette and is very individual in styling. A large living room sits under a dome and is connected to the dining room and spacious kitchen. It comes in cool, natural hues, offering comfy sofas, a television and direct access to the gardens. Upstairs, there is another living space with a fireplace that comes in wonderful shades of turquoise, green, blue and red. It is an inviting room that offers charm and character in abundance. This living room extends to a beautifully furnished terrace that stretches the length of the villa offering superb vistas. In addition, the villa also offers an air-conditioned indoor play area with a home cinema and gym.

The ground floor is home to three fabulous double bedrooms with private bathrooms and small adjoining children's bedrooms. The bathrooms all offer showers and baths where you can soak your stresses away. Two of the rooms offer double beds, beautifully adorned with lavish soft furnishings, and the other enjoys a kingsized bed. The children's rooms come with a bed for a nanny or child and a cot or two mattresses. There are two red and white master suites on the first floor, both with an ensuite bathroom and a private terrace. In the patio wing, to the right of the entrance, you will discover the sixth double room, which was a later addition and is accessible from the



outside. It, too, offers a stylish ensuite bathroom. All of the bedrooms offer televisions which invite long lazy lie-ins. The ground-floor bedrooms are accessible through the large central living room. You will soon relish in the beauty of these bedroom suites with their ornate detailing, wonderful colours and gorgeous ceilings.

Please note that the kitchen is for staff usage only; guests are not allowed to cook or prepare any meal. Usage of the kitchen for nibbles (tea, coffee, sandwich, etc.) might be allowed prior to agreement with the owner/property manager.

Facilities

Chef/Cook Available • Villa • Wow Factor • Rural Location • Indoor Games • Gym/Fitness Room • Air-Con • Games Room • Maid Service Included • Wi-Fi/Internet • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Spa Treatments Available • Transfers Available • Breakfast Available • Butler Included • Private Pool • Heated Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • <1hr to Airport • Safety Deposit Box • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Tennis Court • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • TV • Outdoor Games • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • 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 garden
- Formal dining area for 12 people
- Children play room with books, games and access to the garden
- Professional kitchen for staff use (guests are not allowed)
- Well equipped fitness room
- Bedroom with king size bed (180 x 200 cm), air conditioning, TV, safe box and en-suite bathroom
- Bedroom with double bed (160 x 200 cm), air conditioning, TV, safe box and en-suite bathroom
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First Floor

- Bedroom with double bed (160 x 200 cm), air conditioning, TV, safe box and en-suite bathroom
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Note: The 3 suites on the ground floor each have an adjoining children's room (with 1 bed for a nanny or a child and a cot or 2 mattresses).

Annexe

- Bedroom with double bed (160 x 200 cm), air conditioning, TV, safe box and en-suite bathroom

Exterior Grounds

- Private heated swimming pool (15 x 5.5 m)
- Pool house with hammam
- Children play area
- Large terrace and garden area
- Various sun loungers
- Outdoor dining
- Covered terrace
- Garden furniture
- Private parking
- Tennis court
- Petanque area

Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi connection
- Air conditioning
- Central heating
- Safe deposit box
- Sand box
- Trampoline
- Ping pong table
- Sound system



Location & Local Information

Dar Sabra is nestled in the historic heart of the Palmeraie, just outside downtown Marrakech and the Medina. The Palmeraie is a wonderful, calm area which connects Casablanca to Fez. Golf enthusiasts enjoy the Golf de la Palmeraie club, which is very close to the villa. An equestrian centre and camel riding are also nearby. It is a fabulous spot away from the vibrancy and heady buzz of the city. Quad bikes are also popular, and hot air balloon rides with Marrakech Balloon.

Marrakech is a bustling, colourful city that is alive with smells, sounds and vibrant sights. In 1985, Marrakech's Medina was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Colourful spices, glistening silver lamps with the promise of a genie, vibrant carpets and leather in every shade imaginable are combined with its rich, ancient architecture in a fabulous kaleidoscope of colour. Its souks are loud, thrilling and very exciting. You will discover snake charmers, storytellers and potion sellers. Dining in the Medina is an adventure which 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. 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.

The 16th-century Saadian Tombs give you an insight into the city's history. Sultan al-Mansour spared no expense in decorating his opulent mausoleum with imported Italian Carrara marble and a gilded honeycomb muqarnas ceiling. The once magnificent Bali Palace is now a monumental ruin with giant reflecting pools and breathtaking views of the city. The stunning Bahia Palace is amazing and offers the mesmerising quarters of Bou Ahmed's favourite concubine, Lalla Zineb.



As well as magnificent mosques and palaces, Marrakech enjoys a calm and beautiful cloak of green. The area around the city 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 sprinkled with 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.

Marrakech also gives you the opportunity to be rewarded by an experience in the quiet cool of its surrounding mountain valleys. 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 Oukaïmeden. 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 (15 km)
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Nearest Village	Annakhil (5 km)
Nearest Town/City	Marrakech (8 km)
Nearest Restaurant	La Merche (5 km)
Nearest Supermarket	BIM (5 km)
Nearest Golf	Palm Golf Marrakech (7 km)
Nearest Tennis	Palm Tennis Club (8 km)
Sightseeing	Quad Chameau Marrakech (tourist attraction) (4 km)

What we love

- Dar Sabra is a sensational villa with gorgeous bedroom suites, characterful living spaces and a wonderfully calm location
- The villa sits in three hectares of park with stunning gardens, a fabulous pool, a tennis court, a brilliant children's play area and numerous excellent alfresco dining and lounge spaces
- The villa is fully catered. Four discreet staff members are on hand to make sure that your Marrakech stay exceeds your expectations

What you should know...

- Three of the bedrooms on the ground floor come with smaller children's rooms with beds
- The villa is fully catered. You just pay for the groceries, drinks and any tips
- There are some additional costs for extra services, including the use of the hammam and treatments, heating of the pool from November to March, laundry service etc
- The villa offers a clay tennis court, a children's playground area, a gym, a swimming pool, a hammam, table tennis and a petanque area. Please supervise children at the pool
- The sixth bedroom is accessed from the outside, not from the main villa. This room would not be suitable for young children
- 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
- Please note that the kitchen is for staff usage only; guests are not allowed to cook or prepare any meal. Usage of the kitchen for nibbles (tea, coffee, sandwich, etc.) might be allowed prior to agreement with the owner/property manager

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €2,000 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:** 12 pm
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included in rental price.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, included in rental price.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Toiletries and bath items are provided, as well as the services of the house staff (butler, housekeeper, caretaker and cook) and daily cleaning.

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 The villa also offers the possibility of benefiting from other additional services, optionally and with supplements, such as babysitting, drinks, use of the hammam, hammam treatments, and laundry service; please enquire for pricing.

 The price does not include the cost of groceries, drinks and tips for staff, to be paid directly to the staff by cash or bank transfer. A non-refundable 40% deposit is required to confirm a booking at this property (or full payment if booking within 12 weeks of departure).
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** 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.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Smoking & Vaping are not permitted.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes, included in rental price.
- **Pool heating charge?:** For those who require pool heating, there will be an additional charge starting from €100 per day, only available from Nov - March (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).
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included.
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes, included in rental price.