Dar Ghiat

Region: Morocco **Sleeps:** 10

Overview

Dar Ghiat is a breathtaking villa nestled in a peaceful olive grove near the scenic Valley of Ourika, just 30 minutes from Marrakech. Featured in House & Garden Magazine, the property blends English country elegance with warm Moroccan character, offering an enchanting retreat. It boasts five stunning bedrooms, handpicked furnishings, and inviting living spaces designed for both summer and winter living. Built around a charming courtyard garden with a tranquil fountain, the villa embraces seamless indoor-outdoor living. Elegant fabrics, artistic decor, and soft earthy tones create a serene atmosphere, while highlights include a tadelakt-clad pool, cosy fireplaces, and a beautiful conservatory dining room perfect for special gatherings.

Outside, the villa's landscaped gardens are dotted with centuries-old olive trees, citrus groves, and colourful blooms. Guests can relax on the roof terrace with breathtaking views of the Atlas Mountains or lounge by the 14m x 5m swimming pool surrounded by shaded daybeds. Alfresco dining areas, a pool house, and a petanque court make it ideal for families and groups. Whether exploring the mountains, wandering Marrakech's vibrant souks, or simply unwinding in its serene surroundings, Dar Ghiat offers the perfect retreat for relaxation and discovery.

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Facilities

Villa • <1hr to Airport • Ideal for Kids • Private Pool • Golf Nearby • Air-Con • Cots (Cribs) • Ideal for Teens • Heated Pool • Maid Service Included • Chef/Cook Included • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Hairdryer • Tourist Towns & Villages • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Safety Deposit Box • Satellite TV • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Transfers Available • On-Site Concierge • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds

Interior & Grounds

<u>Ground Floor</u>
- Large living room with various seating areas and access to the terrace
- Formal dining area for 8 people and access to the garden
- Professional kitchen for staff use (guests are not allowed)
- Bedroom with king size bed, air conditioning, safe box, access to the garden and en-suite bathroom
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- Bedroom with two single beds configurable onto double bed, air conditioning, safe box, access to the garden and en-suite shower room
- Bedroom with double bed, access to a terrace and en-suite shower room

<u>Exterior Grounds</u>
- Private heated swimming pool (14 x 5 m)
- Large terrace and garden area
- Various sun loungers
- Outdoor dining
- Covered terrace
- Garden furniture
- Private parking
- Petanque court

Additional Facilities
- Wi-Fi connection
- Air conditioning (only in bedrooms)
- Safe deposit box
- Satellite TV
- Hair dryer
- Sound system
- Cot and high chair









Location & Local Information

Dar Ghiat enjoys a serene and secure setting just a short drive from Marrakech's Medina, offering guests the perfect balance between the city's vibrant energy and the peaceful beauty of the Ourika Valley. Nestled amidst lush gardens, this tranquil retreat is ideally located for those seeking both relaxation and adventure. The nearby valley is a breathtaking escape, known for its picturesque waterfalls, charming riverside restaurants, and welcoming Berber villages where you can experience authentic Moroccan culture. Visitors can hike shaded trails, explore the village of Setti Fatma, and even spot Barbary macaques in the Western High Atlas. During August, the valley comes alive with a lively four-day fair, making it a must-visit for those seeking a deeper cultural connection.

Just thirty minutes away lies the bustling heart of Marrakech, a city brimming with colour, culture, and history. The Medina, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is a sensory feast of vibrant souks, fragrant spices, and lively street performances, from snake charmers to storytellers. Guests can savour authentic Moroccan cuisine, from spiced tagines to sweet sfenj doughnuts, and sip refreshing mint tea in rooftop riads with breathtaking city views. Cultural highlights include the Saadian Tombs, the Bahia Palace, and the opulent Jardin Majorelle, once home to Yves Saint Laurent. For art lovers, Marrakech offers fascinating museums, while wellness seekers can indulge in traditional hammam experiences. Beyond the city, the Atlas Mountains await, offering hiking, skiing at Oukaimeden, and charming villages like Imlil for authentic day trips. With its rich mix of history, nature, and culture, Dar Ghiat's location is ideal for discovering Morocco's most captivating treasures.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Marrakech Menara Airport (21 km)**
Nearest Golf	**Argan Golf Course (17 km)**









Nearest Restaurant	**Boucherie Abou Hajar Restaurant (5 km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Superette Sehnoune (mini market) (5 km)**
Nearest Tennis	**Marrakech Royal Tennis Club (21 km)**
Nearest Town/City	**Marrakech (25 km)**
Nearest Village	**Daour bou Azza (5 km)**

What we love

- Dar Ghiat has been lovingly and brilliantly designed with English and Moroccan influences. It is absolutely stunning, and it is totally obvious why it has appeared in House & Garden Magazine.
- The villa's gardens and terraces are wonderful, offering superb alfresco dining and lounge spaces, a fabulous swimming pool, a vegetable garden and petanque and table tennis for some friendly competition. The roof terrace offers the most incredible Atlas Mountain views!
- The villa is fully staffed. Your discreet, attentive staff members are on hand to make sure that your Marrakech stay exceeds your expectations, to serve delicious Moroccan meals and drinks and ensure that the villa, gardens and pool are absolutely immaculate.

What you should know...

- Your villa chef will prepare all meals and drinks for you. You just pay for the groceries and drinks and delivery service
- Pool heating and any other requested services will incur an extra fee.
- The villa is single-storey. You only go up stairs to get on the exceptional roof terrace.
- 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.
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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:** 11 am

- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included in rental price.

- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, included in rental price.

- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.

- **Other Ts and Cs:** Permanent house staff members are available throughout the stay, including a house manager, a housekeeper, a maid, a gardener and a resident Moroccan chef who will prepare classic Moroccan and European cuisine.

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 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, as well as grocery delivery cost, starting from €70 per week.

 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.

- **Smoking Allowed?:** Smoking & Vaping are not permitted.

- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.

- **Heating costs included?:** Not available on this property.

- **Pool heating charge?:** Not included in the rental price, extra cost starting from €55 per day + preheating cost of €180 per stay, to be paid locally.

- **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.