

Dar Azir

Region: Morocco **Sleeps:** 32

Overview

The mighty Dar Azir is rich in pretty much everything, rich in grandeur, colour, charm, character, space and beauty. It sits in the hills outside of Essaouira with magnificent sea, mountain and Island of Mogador views. Guests enjoy easy access to the bustling city centre and sublime sandy beaches. Dar Azir is designed in a very traditional Moroccan way with deep and bright colours, painted plaster finishes, sumptuous fabrics, built-in furniture and fittings and beautiful beamed ceilings. The villa and its staff will be ready to warmly welcome you to this truly inviting property. Dar Azir boasts ten striking bedrooms and suites that can easily sleep twenty-six guests. It is, therefore, the ideal place to bring the generations together, to celebrate a special occasion or to relax with your favourite friends. The villa boasts two swimming pools, gorgeous landscaped gardens, a hammam and a multitude of wonderful entertaining spaces. The villa is fully staffed, so you can relax, rejuvenate and enjoy your time together.

Dar Azir is magnificent. It is designed with multiple living spaces as well as plenty of nooks and crannies, so even though you will be enjoying a holiday with a large group, you can always find a little quiet corner where you can contemplate your good fortune to be exploring this wonderful country and also enjoy a peaceful read or a quiet chat. It offers an endless list of entertainment, including two pools, one with a swimming lane, a hammam, a double massage room, a petanque court, televisions and stunning landscaped gardens. There are many different themes and ambiances throughout Dar Azir, so you can choose your space according to the moment. One of the living spaces can fit thirty or more guests, whilst two others are smaller and more intimate. There are gorgeous fireplaces, comfy bean bags, intricately carved wooden pieces, sumptuous modern sofas and several dining tables and chairs. The kitchen is brilliantly fitted with three fridges, Nespresso coffee machines, juicers, mixers, ovens, a dishwasher and much more, not that you really need to worry, as you can opt for a fully catered service. The spa enjoys a salon, a hammam and a double massage room. The villa staff can arrange indulgent body and facial treatments for you.

There are ten bedrooms in total, five of which enjoy televisions. Of the bedrooms, two are suites with extra beds and living areas. They all enjoy traditionally styled, immaculate private bathrooms. Two bedrooms and one suite are located on the ground floor, with the remaining six bedrooms and one suite above on the first floor. The rooms are fairly simplistic and minimalist with their decor though they all have different colour schemes, some calm and natural with others bright and bold. Most of the rooms offer comfy double beds though one has twin beds and another has double and twin beds. Some of the rooms enjoy atmospheric fireplaces, and some have private balconies.

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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

Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Villa • TV • Golf Nearby • Wi-Fi/Internet • Beach Nearby • Maid Service Included • Great Value • Rural Location • Cots (Cribs) • Private Pool • Instagrammable • Heated Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • <1hr to Airport • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

Interior & Grounds

Ground Floor

- Three totally different large lounges (30 people and more) and two smaller lounges
- Dining room for up to 28 people
- Well equipped kitchen with 3 refrigerators, juicers, mixers, robots, blenders, Nespresso coffee machines, drinking filtered water, washing machine, dryer, dishwasher, 5-burner gas stove and oven (staff usage only, guests are not allowed)
- Large Spa with salon, double massage room and body and facial treatments, hammam
- Bedroom with double bed (160 x 200 cm), living room, dressing room, fireplace, access to a terrace and en-suite bathroom
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First Floor

- Bedroom with double bed (160 x 200 cm), a single bed (90 x 200 cm), fireplace, access to a terrace and en-suite bathroom
- Bedroom with double bed (160 x 200 cm), fireplace, access to a terrace and en-suite bathroom
- Bedroom with double bed (160 x 200 cm), fireplace, access to a terrace and en-suite bathroom
- Bedroom with two single beds (90 x 200 cm), fireplace, access to a terrace and en-suite bathroom
- Bedroom with double bed (160 x 200 cm), fireplace en-suite bathroom
- Bedroom with double bed (160 x 200 cm), fireplace en-suite bathroom

Exterior Grounds

- Two heated swimming pools: 1 swimming pool 15 meters including a children's pool and a beach, 1 swimming lane of 22 meters for those who like to swim
- Large terrace and garden area
- Various sun loungers
- Bar and chill out area
- Outdoor dining
- Covered terrace
- Garden furniture
- Petanque court
- Private parking

Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi connection
- Safe deposit box
- Cot and high chair
- Toiletries



Location & Local Information

Dar Azir is nestled in the hills of the lively, popular Moroccan seaside resort of Essaouira. It enjoys fabulous panoramic views of the mountains, the sea and the Island of Mogadar. Essaouira boasts stunning beaches, thrilling watersports, delicious fresh seafood, camels and a buzzing Medina. The town is very much a working port and fishing town as well as a beautiful tourist hub. It is known for its coastal wind, beautifully named the Alizee, giving the town the name of the 'Wind City of Africa'.

Compared to the frenzied Medina of Marrakech, you will enjoy a relaxed shopping experience in the Medina of Essaouira. There are five main gates and a laid-back, car-free pedestrian area sprinkled with souks that you can explore at your own pace. You will discover palm-lined avenues lined with art galleries and boutiques. You will enjoy the gorgeous white and blue facades and the striking ramparts. Dating from the late 18th century and added to the UNESCO World Heritage list in 2001, it is a lovely place to stroll. It was famously used in the opening scene of Orson Wells' 1951 film Othello and Game of Thrones. You will see wonderful live musicians and acrobats in the city and can take a table at one of the ice cream parlours to sit and enjoy them. The Medina is surrounded by dramatic, wave-lashed ramparts which offer spectacular sunset views. The Slala de la Ville 18th-century ramparts protect the Medina and its row of nineteen bronze cannons from the crashing waves and seafaring marauders. Below the ramparts, you will find archway workshops flourishing where artisans create intricate marquetry in local thuya wood. In the old Jewish quarter of the Medina, you will find steam baths that offer an amazing experience. Outside Bab Doukkala, you can hop on a carriage down to the Medina entrance gate nearest the beach.

Essaouira's busy port is filled with colourful fishing boats. There is a large fish auction in the market hall by the port gates every Saturday, plus you can watch the daily catch being sold every afternoon to the restaurants around the harbour. You will see the sea-blue wooden boats arriving



and departing and nets being repaired.

The beaches are great fun for windsurfing and kite surfing though the water is pretty cold. The beach runs for approximately six miles and is popular for walking, football and other sports. Swimming is best in the town stretch as Safi Beach to the north has a strong current. Camel owners are found on the sands to the south. You can head south across the Ksob River to see the ruins of the Borj El Berod, an old fortress and pavilion at low tide. From here, you can walk inland to the village of Diabat or continue to the sand dunes of Cap Sim.

The Gnaoua World Music Festival is held in June for three days. It is Essaouira’s biggest annual event. The Gnaoua people are descendants of slaves that originated from Black Africa and established brotherhoods throughout Morocco. They are made up of master musicians, metal castanet players, clairvoyants, mediums and their followers. The festival showcases their talents with music and mysticism.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Essaouira Airport (12 km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	Le Club Essaouira (12 km)
Nearest Beach	Ord Omar Beach (9 km)
Nearest Golf	Mogador Golf Course (8 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Cooperative Kapcim (750 m)
Nearest Supermarket	Aswak Assalam (4 km)
Nearest Town/City	Essaouira (11 km)
Nearest Village	Ghazoua (5 km)

What we love

- Dar Azir is a magnificent, incredibly spacious villa for large groups of guests
- Guests staying at the villa enjoy a long list of entertainment, including two swimming pools, a petanque court, beautiful gardens and a spa with a hammam and massage room
- The villa is fully staffed, so you can relax, enjoy meals being cooked for you and enjoy luxurious surroundings and wonderful views

What you should know...

- For a small additional fee, you can ask the villa cook to prepare meals on a half-board or full-board basis. Children's meals are reduced in price
- Other services are available on request, such as babysitting, dry cleaning and more
- If you have extra beds put in any of the rooms, there will be a very small additional charge for the linen
- Tips at the end of your stay are very much appreciated by the staff
- 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:** €1,000 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:** Daily house cleaning is included in the rental price.

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 The following services are available at an extra cost, to be paid directly to the owner by cash or bank transfer:
 - Breakfast: starting from €9 Per Guest/day
 - Lunch (excluding drinks): starting from €19 Per Adult/day
 - Diner (excluding drinks): starting from €19 Per Adult/day
 - Half board: €24 per guest/day
 - Full board: €34 per guest/day
 - Child meal: starting from €9 per child/day
 - Dry cleaning service: starting from €1
 - Extra change of bed linen: €6 per bed
 - Child care, baby sitting: €25 per day
 - Hammam: starting from €12.00 Per Guest
 - Massage: starting from €27 Per Hour 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:** 1 night. All other durations on request.

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

- **Pool heating charge?:** Not available on this property.

- **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.