

Palais Makinat

Region: Morocco **Sleeps:** 18

Overview

Welcome to Palais Makinat, a stunning 1,700m² Indo-Moorish villa located in the countryside of Marrakech, 20km from the Pink City on the road to Fez. This lavish 9-bedroom villa effortlessly accommodates up to 18 guests, promising an unparalleled blend of opulence and tranquillity for an unforgettable escape.

Stepping through the arched entrance bounded by stout urns and tall palms, guests are greeted by a world of ornate splendour, a realm where every corner exudes the bright, intricate patterns of Moroccan style and design. True to its name, this palatial estate boasts a number of spacious salons, not to mention the sprawling 2-hectare gardens, ensuring a seamless indoor-outdoor experience where guests can flow and congregate in a convivial manner.

The Grand Salon with seating for up to 20 guests opens onto the main covered terrace and dining space and features plush sofas, a warming fireplace, chic ornamental furnishings, and a library of ancient books. Another library can be found in the nearby TV lounge which boasts elegant rattan couches, floor-to-ceiling arched windows framing the lush courtyard, and an array of tasteful sculptural touches. An adjacent meeting room and bar provides another art-filled setting to mingle and marvel.

A fully equipped kitchen, staffed by a skilled culinary team, invites guests to savour the flavours of Moroccan cuisine in any of the three elegant indoor and al fresco dining areas. The main interior dining room seats 18 guests with its monumental statue of Ganesh at one end and at the other an exquisitely tiled mosaic wall fountain. A further outdoor dining room, and a terrace lounge (both comfortably seating 18 guests) ensure that every meal at Palais Makinat is an extravagant experience for the



senses.

The splendour and intrigue of communal spaces is finely balanced by the opulence and serenity of Palais Makinat's nine bedrooms, each thoughtfully designed to be a sanctuary of its own. The sprawling master suite is well-situated on the rooftop terrace with panoramic views of the pool, garden, and Atlas Mountains. This sprawling bedroom boasts its own living room and fireplace, marble bathroom with jacuzzi, walk-in shower, dressing room and private terrace of lush greenery.

Across the rooftop sunset lounge can be found another expansive bedroom with panoramic views and a stunning domed ceiling. With an ensuite including a free-standing tub, the room also includes a private terrace and bay windows looking out through swaying palm fronds onto the garden. The rooftop terrace's final room is another sprawling setting on the sunrise side of the villa. Also boasting a domed ceiling, this room and dressing room has an ensuite bathroom and private furnished terrace.

Six further rooms boast queen-sized beds, ensuites, and private furnished terraces or access to the villa's turquoise or beige-toned galleries. Each boasts Moroccan rugs underfoot, sophisticated wood-carved furniture, and beautiful décor of lanterns and richly hued textiles in spaces flooded with natural light.

Beyond the bedrooms and communal spaces, the Palais Makinat unfolds to reveal a haven of leisure. Dive into the azure waters of the private pool, enveloped by the verdant embrace of the 2-hectare park and garden, or unwind in the hammam for a rejuvenating spa experience. Whether you're lounging in the sun-dappled courtyard or finding respite in the secluded corners of the villa, every moment at Palais Makinat is an invitation to indulge in the beauty and serenity of this pink palace.

What is more, by generating its own power from a solar array on the rooftop of an annex, recycling waste and composting organic waste, Palais Makinat has achieved a positive ecological balance that makes its lush lifestyle all the more enjoyable.

Facilities

Chef/Cook Available • Villa • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Wow Factor • Spa/Massage • Rural Location • Air-Con • Maid Service Included • Wi-Fi/Internet • Golf Nearby • Recommended • Private Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • <1hr to Airport • Safety Deposit Box • Hairdryer • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Smart TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Fenced Grounds • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Historical Sites

Interior & Grounds

Ground Floor

- Grand Salon: Seats 20 guests. Fireplace for romantic evenings and a library of antique books, opens onto the main covered terrace with dining table space and relaxation lounge facing the pool
- TV lounge and library: Seats 20 guests. XXL TV screen with cable channels & Netflix. Large library of art and travel books opening onto a terrace
- Meeting room and Bar: Seats 18 guests. Bar and small ethnic art gallery opening onto a terrace
- Dining room: Host 18 guests. Monumental statue of Ganesh and ethnic art displayed. Wall fountain made from zellige (mosaic) hand made, traditional craftsmanship from Fès
- Spa and Hammam room (extra cost)
- Shokola Room: double bed, dressing room, reversible air conditioning, access to a terrace and en-suite bathroom with bath
- Safran Room: double bed, dressing room, reversible air conditioning, access to a terrace and en-suite bathroom with bath

First Floor

- Turquoise Room: double bed, dressing room, reversible air conditioning, access to a terrace and en-suite bathroom with bath
- Moka Room: double bed, dressing room, reversible air conditioning and en-suite bathroom with bath
- Ivoire Room: double bed, dressing room, reversible air conditioning and en-suite bathroom with bath
- Orange Room: double bed, dressing room, reversible air conditioning and en-suite bathroom with bath

Top Floor

- Sunrise Loft 1: lounge area with comfortable seating, double bed, dressing room, reversible air conditioning, access to a terrace and en-suite bathroom with bath
- Sunrise Loft 2: lounge area with comfortable seating, double bed, dressing room, reversible air conditioning, access to a terrace and en-suite bathroom with bath
- Suite Royal: lounge area with comfortable seating, double bed, dressing room, reversible air conditioning, access to a terrace and en-suite bathroom with jacuzzi bath and walk-in shower

Exterior Grounds

- Private swimming pool (20 x 9 m)
- Large terrace and garden area
- Various sun loungers
- Covered terrace
- Outdoor dining
- Garden furniture
- Private parking

Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi connection
- Air conditioning
- Forced air heating
- Hospitality amenities



Location & Local Information

Conveniently situated approximately 20km from the pink heart of Marrakech on the road to Fez, Palais Makinat offers the perfect balance of opulent retreat without losing touch with the region's endless attractions and activities.

Of course, the most lavish of those activities begin in Palais Makinat itself. The villa offers its guests a spacious marble hammam and a rage of body treatments, including rhassoul scrub and essential oil massages for levels of relaxation that will have you debating whether you'll ever leave.

Thanks to Palais Makinat's fully staffed and equipped kitchen, guests won't have to lift a hand that isn't on its way to their mouth. However, after tasting Chef Fatima's sumptuous Moroccan cuisine there's a good chance you'll want to take some recipes home. Thankfully, Chef Fatima's cooking classes can teach guests the subtle secrets of Moroccan cooking, including delicious tagines and pastilla.

Palais Makinat also makes it easy to make excursions to nearby attractions including, of course, the Pink City (Marrakech) a short drive (30-minutes) from the villa. A daytrip to the city includes visits to monuments such as the Bahi Palace, the Saadian Tombs, the medina and kasbah neighbourhoods and the Majorelle Garden. Don't forget to check out the colourful and lively souks starting from the magnificent Djemma el-Fna square and leading through the spice square with its famous Berber herbalists to the Mouassine bazaar.

There is also opportunity to explore Essaouria (2.5-hour drive), this jewel of the Atlantic coast is a fortified city founded by Portuguese explorers in 1506 and listed by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site.

For the more adventurous guests looking to get a bird's eye view of the region's stunning landscape there are hot air balloon flights. Taking off before dawn from the Palmeraie of Marrakech (10-minute drive), the flight covers



the landscapes of the Al Haouz plain as the sun rising over the pink city and snow-capped Atlas mountains.

And for those whose perfect idea of a holiday always includes a stroll around the links, there is no shortage of top-class golf courses close at hand, including the historic Golf Royal with its famed Brigitte Bardot hole, Palm Golf Marrakech, and Amelkis.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Marrakech Menara Airport (27 km)
Nearest Village	Oulad Snaguia (3 km)
Nearest Town/City	Marrakech (24 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Ben Aissa (6 km)
Nearest Supermarket	Carrefour (23 km)
Nearest Golf	Al Maaden Golf Course (25 km)
Sightseeing	Majorelle Gardens (22 km)

What we love

- Palais Makinat's stunning and seemingly endless array of artful objects, sophisticated décor and tasteful furnishings make guests feel as though they're staying in a lavish gallery
- Stunning 2-hectare garden and expansive pool ensure Palais Makinat feels like an oasis unto itself
- Opulent comforts and amenities, including a hammam spa experience, make this villa the ideal place to relax and rejuvenate

What you should know...

- Swimming pool is unfenced so please be mindful of children at play

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €3,000 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation two weeks before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 4 pm
- **Departure time:** 10 am
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Privatization of the palace for events such as private parties, weddings, birthdays, corporate incentives, photo shootings, etc.. : rates to be discussed depending of the kind of event and number of people invited. A non-refundable 50% 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 rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Smoking is allowed inside the house, except in the bedrooms.
- **Minimum stay:** 1 nights.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Pool heating charge?:** Not available on this property.
- **Tax:** Tourist Tax not included in the rental price, extra €3 per person per night to be paid in cash on arrival or with final bill.
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet connection included.
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.