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Agadir - Canaries



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3 days offshore sailing on a skippered catamaran with deckhand

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**Adventure Challenge** is aimed at anyone with or without sailing experience, as it combines traditional tourism with yachting.

The experience begins even before the boat sets sail. Passengers are met at Agadir airport and transferred to the marina, where they board the boat and have a picnic lunch whilst meeting the crew.

With luggage safely stowed on the boat, there is then a panoramic tour around Agadir, including a visit to the Souk and a traditional dinner at an emblematic restaurant. After dinner, we head back to the boat to spend a relaxing night at anchor. The ocean adventure begins the following morning.

# LIVE THE DREAM

Offshore sailing on the Atlantic: fusing the magic of Morocco with the charm of the Canary Islands.

Adventure Challenge offers you an enthralling yachting experience on the Atlantic whilst visiting two privileged tourist destinations:

Agadir, a challenge for your senses and a unique mix of aromas, colours and flavours.

Canary Islands, an archipelago famous for the tremendous diversity of its landscapes and an array of options for visitors.

Step aboard this brand new experience and find out whether you're ready for an even bigger challenge.

# THE CANARY ISLANDS

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### "Canary Islands, paradise waiting to be discovered"

Located in the Atlantic Ocean, the Canary Islands are a stopping point between Europe and the Americas, a strategic location for any sailor.

The coastline boasts long golden and black volcanic beaches, offering truly diverse landscapes and an outstanding ecosystem of flora and fauna, rich in sheltered bays, harbours and safe havens.

The islanders are welcoming, friendly and used to the comings-and-goings of travellers and sailors, who have been using the islands for refuelling and provisioning purposes for centuries.

As islanders, the Canarian people have built their idiosyncrasies and culture around the ocean, meaning they are experts in a huge list of aquatic activities, water sports and fishing disciplines.

But the islands don't only attract sailors looking for a stopover. The Canaries are a major destination on the international tourism scene.

Thousands of tourists travel here every year, drawn by the year-round warm weather and the beaches offering an array of experiences.

#### Marinas

The islands' marinas and yacht clubs, fully accustomed to and prepared for all this hustle and bustle, offer an array of services for boats and crew, from repair yards, chandleries and berthside fuelling to restaurants, transport, accommodation and absolutely everything needed to discover the different cities. The number of boats in search of winter sun at the islands' ports has been on the up for years now.

#### Experiences

The islands are a major international hub for aquatic events. Highlights include the starting point for the annual ARC regatta, one of the most important sporting and tourist events in Gran Canaria, the Windsurfing World Championships, and a range of surfing, sailing and kitesurfing championships.

#### The ARC, Atlantic Rally for Cruisers

Many boats today choose the islands to refuel, stock up on provisions or carry out repairs before setting out on long transatlantic crossings such as the ARC, now in its thirtieth year.

Each November, the island of Gran Canaria turns into a must-visit for sailing enthusiasts. Hundreds of boats from around the world descend on the capital's port to prepare for an enthralling transatlantic race that will take them to the Caribbean island of St. Lucia in around 21 days, depending on the type of vessel.











Agadir is a coastal resort in Morocco belonging to the region of Souss Massa Draa. Boasting over half a century of tradition, it is the most visited destination in southern Morocco and a world-famous city that fuses long golden beaches with African charm.

A modern city with enigmatic airs

In the 1960s, a devastating earthquake destroyed the old town of Agadir, causing thousands of deaths and reducing the city practically to ruins. Its reconstruction was a major challenge for Morocco as the idea was to create a new, well-laid-out city with wide avenues, tourist amenities and marvellous gardens for locals to enjoy.

Modern-day Agadir is proof that the challenge was well and truly achieved. On the whole, it's a quiet and safe city with certain Western airs, especially by the beach, a 10km stretch of coast geared towards tourists.

Its golden beaches, warm waters and general facilities have earned the bay membership of the Club des plus belles baies du monde, an international association that assesses and rates seafronts and coastlines across the world. Its interesting flora and fauna, attractive natural spaces, domestic fame and economic potential all contributed in the city gaining this accolade.

Even though it's a modern city, Agadir still retains the charm and tradition of ancient Morocco. The new city was built around 2km from the old town, of which the only the only remnant is the Kasbah, a hilltop fortification that's worth the climb for spectacular views of the city, beach and port, especially at sunset.

And, of course, no trip to a Moroccan city is complete without visiting the souk and bartering to get the best price for your purchases.

Also worth seeing is the Port of Agadir, which claims to be the second largest sardine fishing port in the world. Each day you can observe the frenetic activity and marvel at the small boatyards that still produce hand-crafted vessels.

#### The marina

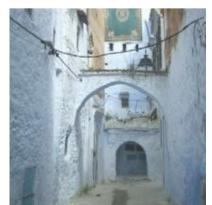
Poles apart from the traditional port is Marina Agadir, a gleaming facility blessed with every last detail to satisfy guests' needs and home to many luxury superyachts. It boasts over 300 berths and is increasingly popular as a winter port given the wonderful climate.

#### Experiences

We propose a unique ocean cruise to get to know the Atlantic.













Striving to do things from a different perspective, *Nautic Ocean* is an agency specialising in nautical tourism, sailing and water sports.

Lor us, holidays are the best time of the year, and we want yours to be as special as you imagined.

#### Tailor your holidays and we'll make them come true!

One of its key values is communication with the client; it must be direct and clear so that each experience is unique and personalised.

Its location is also an added value, within the avant-garde Marina Rubicón in one this world's true paradises: the island of Lanzarote in the Canary Islands. Marina Rubicón is a cutting-edge port that combines an array of specialist sailing services with luxury accommodation, a range of bespoke activities and the best cuisine on the island. It echoes a small island village with its narrow streets, gardens and squares creating a perfect setting for strolling around and chilling out.

"Come and visit us and we'll surprise you with a world of possibilities"

#### The boat



The boat is a comfortable catamaran and you will be accompanied by both a skipper and a deckhand, who take care of your every need to ensure your trip is pure leisure. In the case of teambuilding, tasks can be organised into different group activities, shifting leisure to the sidelines.

Unlike sailing on a monohull, on a catamaran the feeling of the boat moving is drastically reduced. These boats are designed for relaxed outings and optimum leisure on board. Enjoying the ocean and the wind in your hair, spotting different types of animals, sunbathing or even reading are just some of the activities recommended for this thrilling experience.

By night, the gentle lapping of the waves will soothe you to sleep.



This experience will help some previous sensations.



#### **Onboard activities**

Whilst underway we'll enjoy the omnipresent trade winds and take advantage of their tailwind.

We'll also have time to revel in the magic moments that can only be experienced on the Atlantic, such as vivid sunrises and spectacular sunsets whilst relaxing on deck.

What's more, the boats are fitted with cutting-edge offshore fishing equipment for those keen to try their luck whilst at sea. The skipper boasts vast experience in this type of fishing, so we'll make the most of his know-how to try and catch an Atlantic bluefin tuna or a dolphin-fish.

The days are also perfect to have a go at steering this beautiful catamaran should you wish, or otherwise just to chill out on the spacious cockpit with a cold drink.

This experience will help some people see whether they are prepared for bigger things and others to experience



#### • Day 3 (Offshore)

07:00	Breakfast.
14:00	Lunch.
17:00	approx. Arrive and berth at Marin
18:00	Disembark. End of trip.

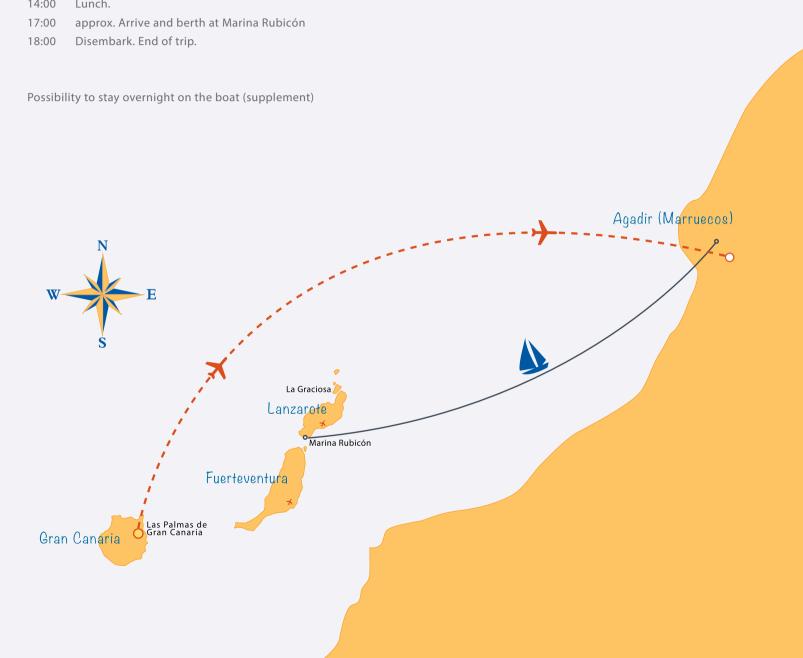
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#### • Day 1 (Agadir)

- 10:15 Binter flight Gran Canaria Agadir.
- Transfer from airport to Marina Agadir. 12:30
- Meet-and-greet with captain and crew. Welcome drink and picnic on board. Luggage stowed and secured on board. 13:30
- Guided tour of Agadir (supplement) with free time for shopping at the Bazar. 16:00
- Typical dinner. 20:30
- Night on board with safety briefing from the skipper and last-minute check of weather forecast before departure. 22:00

#### • Day 2 (Offshore)

- 07:00 Breakfast.
- Set sail on a 252° course to cover the 215 miles or so separating this city from the island of Lanzarote. 07:30
- 14:00 Lunch.
- Dinner. If luck has been on our side during the day, we'll be able to enjoy freshly-caught fish. 19:00
- Watch-keeping. If you want to take part in the experience, you can sit a night watch to look out for other traffic in the area. This is 22:00 a unique opportunity to marvel at an ocean sky with no light pollution.





### And afterwards...?

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#### What is included?

Shared cabin

Skipper and deckhand, depending on the option chosen

Insurance

Flight Las Palmas - Agadir on the selected dates

Transfer from airport to Marina Agadir

One-way offshore itinerary on a shared boat

Welcome drink and meals on board

Fuel

Towels and bedding

Onboard safety material according to offshore sailing regulations

End-of-trip cleaning

Berthing

#### Not included

Drinks, except for water and soft drinks

Anything not mentioned in the "What is included?" section

#### Recommendations

Comfortable attire and warm clothing for night watches List of suggested meals Head torch Gloves Sun protection Rubber-soled shoes Sunglasses Pastimes

## From €200 pp/day

To make sure your experience is as complete as possible, for a small supplement we can offer you a range of shoreside options:

Accommodation in a hotel or villa

- Car hire
- Airport transfer
- Extra nights on board







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