

Argan Forest & Visit to an Argan Cooperative



A large section of this walk takes you through an Argan Forest. Argan trees are a species endemic to the south west of Morocco and are a mythical symbol of the Essaouira Region. This is a relatively easy walk suitable for people looking for a leisurely ramble.

Throughout the hike, the guide gives you useful insights into the bionomics of these trees. You then become able to observe the different stages of a tree's life cycle through maturity. You will also learn about the different products derived from the Argan Fruit as well as their beneficial impact on local culture.

You walk through a tiny village where there is a Marabout (a residence for the spirit of a Saint or wise man), and visit the ruins of a sugar factory from the 16th century. You are then offered tea at a Berber villager's home and experience first-hand traditional Moroccan hospitality.

At the end of the walking tour, you visit a women's cooperative where you discover the secret of making the famous Argan Oil.



Half Day Walk

Departs : 9a.m Essaouira
Length : 5 Km of pathways
Level of difficulty : Easy-enjoyable for all. Possibility of a small mule for young children.
Return : 1.30p.m Essaouira

HIGHLIGHT !

Discover an Argan forest, enjoy the warm welcome of a Berber family and visit an argan cooperative.