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in archaeology should make  
the effort to come here."*

- Joyce, California



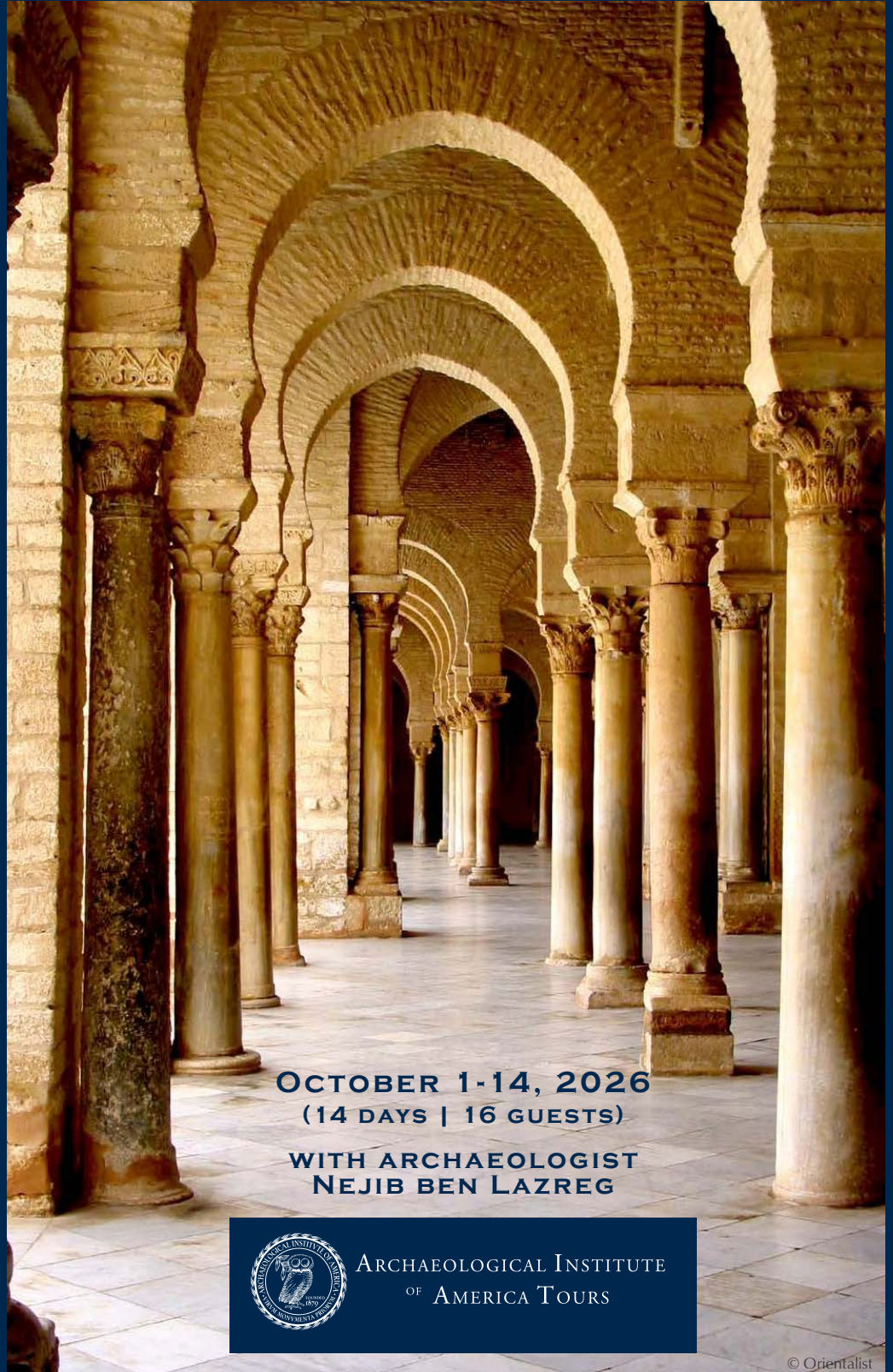
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# TUNISIA

PHOENICIANS TO ROMANS,  
MOSAICS TO MOSQUES



**OCTOBER 1-14, 2026**  
(14 DAYS | 16 GUESTS)

**WITH ARCHAEOLOGIST  
NEJIB BEN LAZREG**



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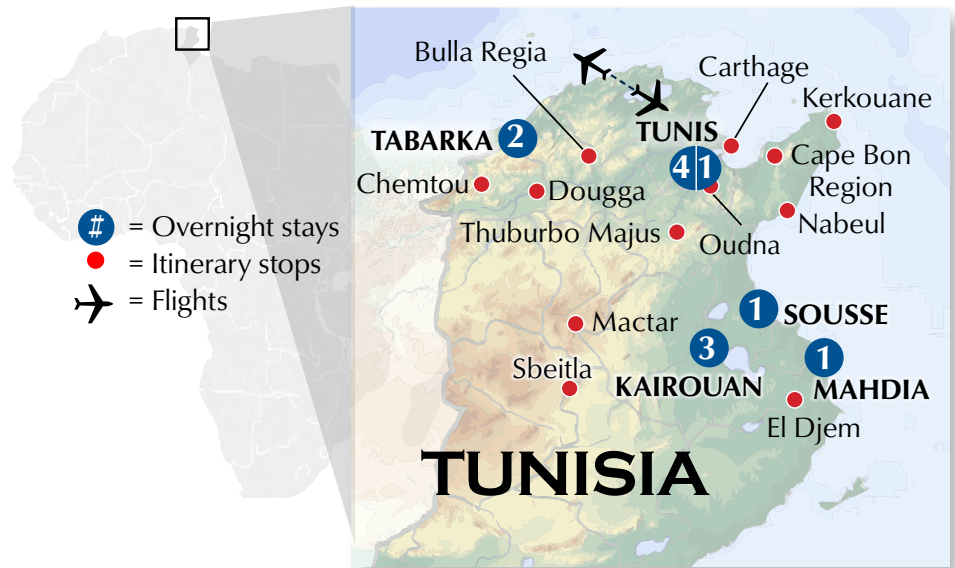
## Archaeological Institute of America Study Leader & Guide



**Dr. Nejib ben Lazreg** is an archaeologist and researcher with the Institut National du Patrimoine in Tunisia. He is the Curator of the Salakta Archaeological Museum, the Lamta

Museum, and Roman sites in Tunisia's Sahel region (Leptis Minor, Thapsus, and Sullecthum). Nejib's area of specialization is Tunisia's Roman and Early Christian mosaics, though his career has also spanned other topics such as Punic, Roman, and Christian necropolises; and Roman pottery kilns, baths, and houses. He has conducted archaeological surveys in central Tunisia and excavations mainly in the Roman port cities of Leptis Minor, Thapsus, and Sullecthum, but also occasionally in the Kairouan region. Some of his major discoveries in Tunisia include an underground 4<sup>th</sup>-century Christian chapel and catacombs, and the mosaics of Venus (A.D. 300) and of the birth of Helen and the Dioscuri (A.D. 400), at Leptiminus (Lamta); the 3<sup>rd</sup>-century A.D. athletes mosaic and 6<sup>th</sup>-century A.D. mosaic-covered baptistery at Thapsus; and Christian catacombs at Sullecthum. In 2017, Nejib received the Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters medal from the French Minister of Culture; and he organized the exhibition called "Shared Holy Places: Coexistence in Europe and the Mediterranean" at Tunis's Bardo Museum, in cooperation with the Museum of Civilization of Europe and the Mediterranean of Marseille (MUCEM). Nejib was the AIA's Kress Lecturer for 2009-10, and he has led this AIA tour of Tunisia several times since 2012, to excellent reviews.

Carthage



## HIGHLIGHTS

- Travel and learn with **study leader/guide and archaeologist Nejib ben Lazreg** and up to 16 guests.
- **Visit all seven of Tunisia's cultural UNESCO World Heritage Sites.**
- Explore fabled **Carthage**, including the Antonine Baths and the cisterns.
- Spend three full days in and around **Tunis**, including a visit to the **Bardo Museum**, featuring exquisite exhibits of Roman and Byzantine mosaics.
- See the beautiful **Cape Bon coast** and the Punic site of **Kerkouane**.
- Marvel at **Bulla Regia**, a well-preserved site featuring underground Roman villas, a museum, a Temple of Apollo, and a 2<sup>nd</sup>-century theater.
- Tour **Dougga**, established prior to the Romans, with its 3,500 seat theater; Temples of Saturn, Augustan Piety, and Mercury; and Capitol.
- Discover **Kairouan**, the fourth holiest city in the Muslim world, founded in A.D. 670, with its carpet, leather, brass, and spice vendors; and its Great Mosque with a three-tiered minaret.
- Visit **El Djem**, one of Tunisia's most extraordinary sites, with a marvelous, 30,000-seat, ancient amphitheater and a museum that houses lovely mosaics.
- Visit the Roman city of **Sbeitla** (Sufetula), one of North Africa's best-preserved Roman cities, including several stunning 2<sup>nd</sup>-century A.D. temples and mosaic-covered Byzantine baptisteries.
- Wander through **Thuburbo Majus**, a sprawling site occupied in turn by Berbers, Phoenicians, and Romans. The imperial remains include the Forum, Temple of Mercury, and sunken winter baths.

COVER: (main image) Ancient Roman columns in the Great Mosque at Kairouan, (left from top) Kairouan Mosque Cemetery, mosaic detail (El Djem Museum), AIA travelers at Dougga



# ITINERARY

(B)= Breakfast, (L)= Lunch, (D)= Dinner

**Thursday, October 1, 2026: Depart home**

**Friday, October 2: Arrive Tunis, Tunisia | Welcome dinner**

Arrive today at Tunis-Carthage International Airport (TUN), where you will be met and transferred to our luxurious beachfront hotel. Enjoy a welcome dinner hosted by AIA study leader Nejib ben Lazreg and your tour manager. *Four nights at the 5-star [Four Seasons Hotel Tunis](#).* (D)

**Saturday, October 3: Tunis: Bardo Museum | Carthage | Tunis**

Begin the day with an introductory lecture. Then visit the world-famous Bardo, whose earliest exhibits (Punic) date to the 7<sup>th</sup> century B.C., and whose most exquisite exhibits (Roman and Byzantine) are mosaics from sites all over Tunisia, many virtually intact. After lunch we explore the vast site of Carthage, founded

in 814 B.C. by the Phoenicians and sacked by the Romans in 146 B.C. It was not until the 1<sup>st</sup> century A.D. that Rome rebuilt the city, and within a few years it expanded and prospered to the point where it was second only to Rome. Our visit of this UNESCO World Heritage Site will include the tophets (cemeteries of children), Punic ports, Antonine Baths, Byrsa Hill, and cisterns. Return to our hotel and gather for dinner. (B,L,D)



**Sunday, October 4: Nabeul Museum | Cape Bon Peninsula: Kelibia, Kerkouane | Tunis**

Set out early this morning for the Cape Bon Peninsula, stopping first at Nabeul's small but interesting archaeological museum. Continue north to the coastal town of Kelibia, where we enjoy lunch. The Cape Bon Peninsula is a fertile agricultural region that was developed by the French as the heart of Tunisia's wine industry. After lunch we will enjoy scenic stops and visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Kerkouane, one of the most important ancient Punic cities. Return to Tunis, where the balance of the day is at leisure. Restaurant suggestions for dinner will be provided, as there are many enjoyable dining options. (B,L)

*"I've traveled to Italy, Sicily, Spain, Greece, and Türkiye in order to study classical sites, but nothing prepared me for [Tunisia's] number of sites, their extensiveness, the quality of the mosaics..."*

- M.C., Iowa

**Monday, October 5: Oudna | Tunis: Medina walking tour**

This morning we drive to Oudna (Roman Uthina), one of Tunisia's more recently excavated sites that is still a work in progress. See the fine amphitheater and nearly a dozen villas with many mosaics, cisterns, and storage areas. After lunch we return to Tunis and take an in-depth walking tour of its medina, the historic heart of the city and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, viewing from the outside the architecture of the Zitouna mosque and the nearby Hamouda Pasha and Hussein Day mosques. Return to our hotel, where we gather later for dinner. (B,L,D)

Photos from top: Dougga, the amphitheater at El Djem, (below) spices at the souk in Tunis



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**Tuesday, October 6: Dougga | Bulla Regia | Tabarka**

Depart Tunis, driving through a fertile land that was part of the granary of Rome, and arrive at Dougga (ancient Thugga), Tunisia's most extensive archaeological site. Covering some 60 acres on a steep slope some 2,000 feet above the plain, Dougga was known as the "city of temples" and today is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Visit the theater, which accommodated almost 3,500 people; the Temple of Saturn, under which was found evidence of a pre-Roman sanctuary dedicated to the Carthaginian god Baal; the Temples of Augustan Piety and Mercury; and the grandest structure—the Capitol that was dedicated to the gods Jupiter, Juno, and Minerva, and to the glory of co-emperors Marcus Aurelius and Lucius Verus. After lunch we drive to Bulla Regia, an unusual and very well-preserved site that features underground Roman villas; a Temple of Apollo, the oldest extant structure on the site; and a 2<sup>nd</sup>-century theater. Continue driving to the seaside town of Tabarka, where we check-in to our luxurious hotel and gather for dinner. *Two nights at the 5-star [La Cigale Tabarka Hôtel](#).* (B,L,D)



The baptismal font of Saint Vitalis, Sbeitla

**Wednesday, October 7: Tabarka: AM walking tour, PM at leisure**

Enjoy a morning lecture followed by a walking tour in the coastal village of Tabarka. After lunch we return to our hotel, located along a sandy beach, to relax and enjoy its amenities. Dinner is on your own. (B,L)

**Thursday, October 8: Chemtou Museum | Kairouan**

This morning we depart Tabarka and travel to Kairouan. Along the way we visit the Chemtou Museum, which has exhibits on the quarrying and transportation of marble, a small section of the original Roman road that was used to transport the marble, and more. Once home to ancient North Africa's largest marble quarry, Chemtou was incorporated into Roman Africa in 46 B.C. We have lunch en route and check-in to our hotel in Kairouan before we gather this evening for dinner. *Three nights at the 5-star [Hôtel La Kasbah Kairouan](#).* (B,L,D)

**Friday, October 9: Kairouan: Walking tour**

Kairouan's location along the old caravan routes provided a base for a flourishing crafts industry, which lives on today in its rugs and textiles. This morning, we walk through the heart of this UNESCO World Heritage Site's medina, past sellers of carpets, leather goods, brass works, and spices to the Great Mosque, which has been rebuilt several times since its original construction in the 7<sup>th</sup> century. Return to our hotel in Kairouan and then gather for dinner. (B,L,D)

**Saturday, October 10: Sbeitla | Mactar | Kairouan**

This morning we drive to the Roman city of Sbeitla (Sufetula) to see Diocletian's arch, forum, capitol, theater, and Christian churches. After lunch we visit the Roman city of Mactar to see the forum, Trajan's Arch, Caracalla's Baths, churches, and dolmens. Return to our hotel and have dinner. (B,L,D)

**Sunday, October 11: Kairouan | El Djem | Mahdia**

This morning we set out on a drive to El Djem, another UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the most extraordinary sites in Tunisia thanks to the marvelous, 3<sup>rd</sup>-century A.D. amphitheater in the heart of the town. Nearby is the museum of El Djem, which houses some lovely mosaics and the remains of some recently excavated luxury villas. After lunch we drive to Mahdia, on the Mediterranean coast, and visit the Mahdia Museum which displays Punic, Roman, and Byzantine artifacts, and has as a section on underwater archaeology. The museum also focuses on Tunisian traditions. *Overnight at the 4-star [Mahdia Palace](#).* (B,L,D)

*"As far as the overall most enjoyable thing about the trip goes, it definitely had to be our guide and wonderful teacher Nejib...his knowledge, speaking ability, teaching experience, good humor, patience, generosity and superb sense of what is important and what is not were crucial to the success of the trip."*

- William and Michele,  
Massachusetts



Trajan's Arch, Mactar



Both the Bardo and El Djem Museums are superb, with extensive collections of mosaics and sculptures. Above, left, is the El Djem Museum. Above, right, is the theater at Bulla Regia.

### Monday, October 12: Sousse: Walking tour, PM at leisure

We drive north to visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Sousse, long a thriving trading center and a major port today. Our walking tour through town will include (from the outside) the Great Mosque, originally constructed in A.D. 850; the 9<sup>th</sup>-century ribat (fortification and religious building); and the souk, which is dominated by woolworkers. After lunch, the balance of the day is at leisure to enjoy our hotel's amenities and/or explore independently the nearby city center. Dining suggestions will be provided. *Overnight at the 5-star Mövenpick Resort & Marine Spa.* (B,L)

### Tuesday, October 13: Sousse Archaeological Museum | Thuburbo Majus | Tunis | Farewell dinner

Inside the 11<sup>th</sup>-century kasbah we tour the Sousse Archaeological Museum, which houses one of the country's best collections of 2<sup>nd</sup>- and 3<sup>rd</sup>-century Roman mosaics. From Sousse we travel inland to the vast, sprawling site of Thuburbo Majus, one of Tunisia's best-preserved sites. It was occupied in turn by the Berbers, Phoenicians, and Romans. Its imperial remains are typical of a Roman city and include the towering, 2<sup>nd</sup>-century A.D. capitol and forum. Continue on to Tunis and check-in to our luxurious hotel, conveniently located near the airport. This evening, we gather for a farewell dinner at one of Tunis' finest restaurants. *Overnight at the 5-star Sheraton Tunis Hotel.* (B,L,D)

### Wednesday, October 14: Fly home

Transfer this morning to Tunis-Carthage International Airport (TUN) for flights homeward. (B)



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AIA study leader Nejib ben Lazreg and AIA travelers at Bulla Regia



*La Cigale Tabarka Hôtel*

## Accommodations



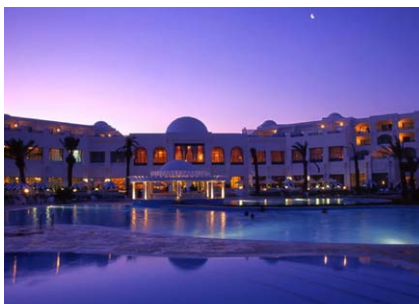
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TABARKA: *Two nights at the 5-star [La Cigale Tabarka Hôtel](#)*



KAIROUAN: *Three nights at the 5-star [Hôtel La Kasbah Kairouan](#)*



MAHDIA: *One night at the 4-star [Mahdia Palace](#)*



SOUSSE: *One night at the 5-star [Mövenpick Resort & Marine Spa](#)*



TUNIS: *One night at the 5-star [Sheraton Tunis Hotel](#)*

## WHAT TO EXPECT



**MODERATE:** Must be able to walk one to three miles per day on mostly flat, but often uneven, terrain.

All participants are expected to be physically active and not be an impediment to others on excursions, to enjoy traveling as part of a group, and to be ready to experience cultural differences. You must be in good physical condition to participate, and be able to make long walks unassisted over uneven terrain and up and down steps that may be steep and/or without handrails. Walking some of Tunisia's expansive sites requires being fit, and some site visits can easily last two hours. Participants who are not able to walk or stand unassisted for extended periods are kindly advised not to join this tour. If you have any questions about your ability to participate, we suggest that you visit your personal physician with this brochure in hand and discuss whether or not this program is appropriate for you. All participants will be required to follow safety/sanitization protocols set forth by Sponsors/Operator, local staff, and host country laws. If the tour manager decides that a participant cannot visit a site safely or in a timely manner, their judgment will be final. Where possible, an alternate activity may be suggested; additional costs may apply.

Tunisia has warm weather almost year-round, and autumn and spring are the most comfortable times to travel. Expect a true Mediterranean climate, with daytime temperatures ranging from the mid-70s to the high 80s F, and evenings ranging from the low 50s to mid-60s F. Accommodations have been selected to offer the ultimate experience of true Tunisian culture, ambiance, and hospitality. It is important to keep in mind that star ratings for Tunisian facilities are decided by the Ministry of Tourism in Tunisia and may not meet the standards expected by most North American travelers. Sightseeing busses and/or mini vans are air-conditioned and are the most modern and comfortable. Tunisian cuisine combines African, Arabic, and European elements. We have selected restaurants that will give you a taste of the excellence and complexity of local dishes. Also, all hotels offer a variety of Continental and local options. *Complete pre-departure details will be sent to participants.*



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The Great Mosque at Kairouan, founded in A.D. 670



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A view of Dougga, Tunisia's most extensive site, covering 60 acres

## Tour Prices per person (12 nights)

Double Occupancy (12-16 participants) .....\$8,645

Double Occupancy (9-11 participants) .....\$9,245

Single Supplement (limited availability).....\$3,245

*Single room supplement will be charged when requested or required.*

*With fewer than 9 participants a small group surcharge may be added.*

### Prices include:

- **Study Leader/Guide Nejib ben Lazreg**, and services of a **professional tour manager** throughout
- **Twelve nights' accommodations**, in ideally located, deluxe or finest-available hotels
- **Most meals:** breakfast daily, 11 lunches, and 9 dinners including welcome and farewell dinners. All meals include mineral water and coffee or Tunisian tea; wine will be served at all included dinners
- Group arrival and departure **airport transfers**
- **All sightseeing, excursions, and entrance fees** to sites included in the itinerary
- Surface transportation by **deluxe, air-conditioned minivan or motorcoach**, including bottled water
- **Gratuities** to tour manager, drivers, porters, hotel staff, and restaurant staff for included meals
- **Baggage handling** where available
- Parking fares, highway tolls, and local taxes
- **Complete pre-departure information**, including a suggested reading/media guide and packing suggestions

## FLIGHTS & TRANSFERS

Airfare to/from Tunis-Carthage International Airport (TUN) is not included in the tour price. Complimentary group transfers from/to the airport in Tunis, Tunisia, are provided. Once you have received your final payment invoice, you should book your flights. If you are considering booking non-refundable airline tickets before this time, please contact our office first. Valerie Wilson Travel, Inc. can assist with flight arrangements for this tour. You may contact them directly at 866-200-6172 or email [studytours@vwti.com](mailto:studytours@vwti.com). Alternatively, you are welcome to book your flights independently or through your preferred travel agent. Your flight itinerary must be provided to our office prior to departure. *We do not accept any liability for cancellation penalties related to domestic or international airline tickets.*

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Thuburbo Majus



*"Dr. ben Lazreg was the perfect scholar to provide the information and the perfect man to coordinate all aspects of the tour... His presence was the highlight of the tour."*

- Rosemary, Washington, D.C.

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El Djem Amphitheater  
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Signature (participant #1)

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reimbursement. Trip cancellation insurance is available through Sponsors/Operator and others and covers certain expenses in conjunction with cancellation due to illness or accident and damaged or lost luggage. Sponsors/Operator will send participants an application upon receipt of their reservation. **PRICES:** Prices quoted are based on fares in effect at the time of publication and are subject to changes at any time. On all programs, even after full payment, Sponsors/Operator reserve the right to increase the tour price in the event of cost increases due to changes in supplier costs, tax increases, currency fluctuations, or fuel and energy surcharges, and all such increases are to be paid to Sponsors/Operator upon notice to the participant. **FORUM AND METHODOLOGY FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION:** Any dispute or claim which refers or relates to this contract, any literature related to the trip, or the trip itself shall be litigated solely and exclusively in and for courts in Keene, New Hampshire, subject to substantive and procedural New Hampshire law, and for this limited purpose, the parties agree to exclusive venue and personal jurisdiction therein. At the participant's option, however, in lieu of litigation, Sponsors/Operator will agree to binding arbitration in Keene, New Hampshire, subject to substantive, but not procedural, New Hampshire law, pursuant to the then existing commercial rules of the American Arbitration Association. In any such arbitration, the arbitrator, and not any federal, state, or local court or agency, shall have exclusive authority to resolve any dispute relating to the interpretation, applicability, enforceability, conscionability, or formation of this contract, including but not limited to any claim that all or any part of this contract is void or voidable. **U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT & CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL:** Both the Centers for Disease Control and U.S. State Department publish and update important country-specific information for travelers. We strongly recommend that you review them. They can presently be found at: <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices> and <https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/alertswarnings.html>. **ASSUMPTION OF RISK:** Participants agree to fully accept all known and unknown risks, including the potential risk of exposure to respiratory illnesses or other illnesses, viruses, diseases, or conditions. Participants understand and agree to hold Sponsors/Operator, their officers, vendors and suppliers harmless and not liable for any real or perceived symptoms of any disease, virus, illness, or condition, nor for exacerbating any existing symptoms of any illness, virus, disease or condition, quarantine requirements, disability, and other short-term and long-term health effects, including death. **MISCELLANEOUS:** Participants should not purchase airline tickets prior to receiving their final payment invoice so as to avoid airline cancellation penalties if a tour is canceled or otherwise modified subsequent to the participant's purchase of those tickets. Baggage and personal effects are at all times the sole responsibility of the participant. If weather, flight schedules, or other uncontrollable factors, such as those related to customs and immigration, require you to spend (an) additional night(s), you will be responsible for your own hotel, transfer, and meal costs. Sponsors/Operator reserve the right to decline to accept or retain any participant at any time. The right is reserved to decline to accept as a participant, or remove from a trip, without refund, any person it judges to be incapable of meeting the rigors and requirements of participating in the activities, or who is abusive to other trip participants, leaders, or third parties, or who is determined to detract from the enjoyment of the trip by others. Specific room assignments are within the sole discretion of the hotel. **APPEARING IN PHOTOS:** Photos from AIA Tours' trips may be posted on photo-sharing web sites or on social networking sites. Your likeness may appear in some photos or videos, posted either by other travelers or tour lecturers/guides, and the circulation of the materials could be worldwide. Trip photos may also be selected to appear in future AIA Tours promotions; no compensation is available for appearing in a trip photo used for promotional purposes. **ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT:** By forwarding of deposit, the participant certifies that he/she agrees with these terms and conditions, and accepts the terms contained in these Terms and Conditions, Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Dispute Resolution Agreement. The participant affirms that he/she has not received or relied upon any oral representation of Sponsors/Operator as a basis for executing this Release.