

# Kasbah Itran Mali

Following our initiative almost 10 years ago in southern Morocco with the Tagdah family, we have now set up an association in Mali with the Abdoulaye Guindo family in Yabatalou, a village in the heart of “Dogon Country”. We will shortly start to build a new “Kasbah Itran”, in this case what is known in Mali as a “camp”.

Abdoulaye, a professional guide with many years of experience, along with his family, will be a new travelling companions on this adventure.

We would like to offer the commencement of this new project to the people who have supported us in some way in Morocco as an opportunity to travel to Mali at a more economical price than usual on this sort of journey.

Your comments and suggestions about the route will help us to improve our work in the country.

Bamako-Segou-Djenné-Dogon Country-Timbuktu-Mopti  
October 2009



**Bamako-Segou-Djenné-País Dogón-Tombuctú-Mopti**  
**Departure: October 2009**

**11** Arrival in **BAMAKO**. 4X4 drive to Segou. Relaxed visit to the banks of the Niger River. Night in a hotel.

**12** Transfer to **DJENNÉ**. Surround and by the Niger River, this ancient adobe city abounds with beautiful examples of "Sud-anese architecture". Its mosque (World Heritage site) is spectacular. Night in a hotel.



**13** 4x4 drive to **DJIGUIBOMBO** village in Dogon Country. Night in *camp* (accommodation with terraces fitted with mosquito netting, where travellers sleep on mattresses).

**14** Trekking in Dogon Country: **DJIGUIBOMBO - TELI**. Night in a *camp*.

**15** Trekking through **WALIA** and **ENDÉ** villages to **YABATALOU**. Night in a *camp*.

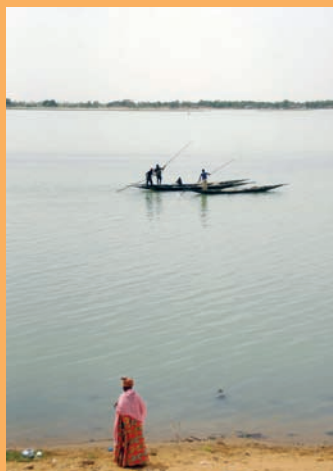
**16** Trekking, **INDIELOU** village to **BÉGNEMATO**. Night in a *camp*.

**17** Trekking, **GOLOMBO** village to **MIDI KONSSOGOU**. Night in a *camp*.

**18** Trekking, **GUIMINIY** and **YAWA** villages to **DOUROU**. Night in a *camp*.

**19** Return to **MOPTI** by 4X4 where we embark on a pinasse boat to **LAKE DEBO** and **TIMBUKTU**. Night in camp on the riverbank.

**20** Sail up the Niger River. Night in camp on the riverbank.



**21** Sail up the river to **TIMBUKTU**. Night in a hotel.

**22** Relaxed day in **TIMBUKTU**. Night in a hotel.

**23** 4x4 transfer to **MOPTI**. Night in a hotel.

**24** Transfer to **BAMAKO**. Visit the National Museum. Transfer to the airport.

**USEFUL DETAILS**

> **VACCINATION:**

- Yellow fever
- > **COMPULSORY MATERIAL**
- Passport
- International de vaccination certificate for yellow fever (consult your regional centre for international vaccinations)
- 2 passport photos
- Anti-malaria tablets
- Water purification tablets
- Suitable trekking footwear (take it on the plane with you for safety's sake in case your luggage is lost)
- Sleeping sheet
- Hat, sun cream and lip screen.
- Small personal first-aid kit which should contain at le-

ast: rehydration and anti-diarrhoea remedies, disinfectant, antibiotics, insect repellent and insect bite lotion.

- Headlamp or torch and replacement battery
- Neutral soap.

> **LUGGAGE** should be reduced to a minimum. You can wash your dirty clothes along the way.

**MONEY:** the currency in Mali is the west African Franc (CFA). 1 euro= 656 CFA. You can exchange money at Bamako airport and at any bank.

**PRACTICAL DETAILS**

> **FLIGHTS TO BAMAKO**

[www.royalairmaroc.com](http://www.royalairmaroc.com)  
 Each traveller must pay for their own flight. From Spain, we will fly with Royal Air Maroc with a transfer in Casablanca, arriving at Bamako at 2:35, 11 October. In any case, the meeting point for travellers who catch a different flight will be Bamako airport at 2:35 horas on October 11.

> **TRIP DETAILS:** Mali is an astonishing country with abounding attractions. Unfortunately, it is also a country with a serious shortage of material resources, which makes it more necessary than ever to embark on this journey with an open mind. During the trek through the Dogon Country, we will be accompanied by our guide, a cook and several porters who will carry the group material. Each traveller will have to carry their own rucksack when trekking for 5/6 hours per day.

> **COST PER PERSON:**  
**1250 €**  
 A minimum of five people is required and the maximum will be 11. The price includes travel insurance, all transport, fuel and accommodation, everything necessary for the trekking section and the jour-

ney by pinassa boat, a local guide, all meals except those on days 11, 12, 22, 23, 24, breakfast and lunch on day 13, and dinner on 21. It does not include the flight or drinks during the trip.

> **CONDITIONS AND RESERVATIONS:**

- 1.-Check availability: [angel@kasbahitran.com](mailto:angel@kasbahitran.com)
- 2.-Make a 200 Euro bank transfer for your reservation. This money will only be returned to you if the trip does not go ahead. Send us an e-mail([angel@kasbahitran.com](mailto:angel@kasbahitran.com)) with details of the first transfer, along with the following details that we need to process your visa and travel insurance: a scanned image of your passport, full name and postal address
- 3.-Make a second bank transfer with the balance of the cost 15 days before the start of the trip.

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