

# Toubkal 2012

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> December 2012 – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2013



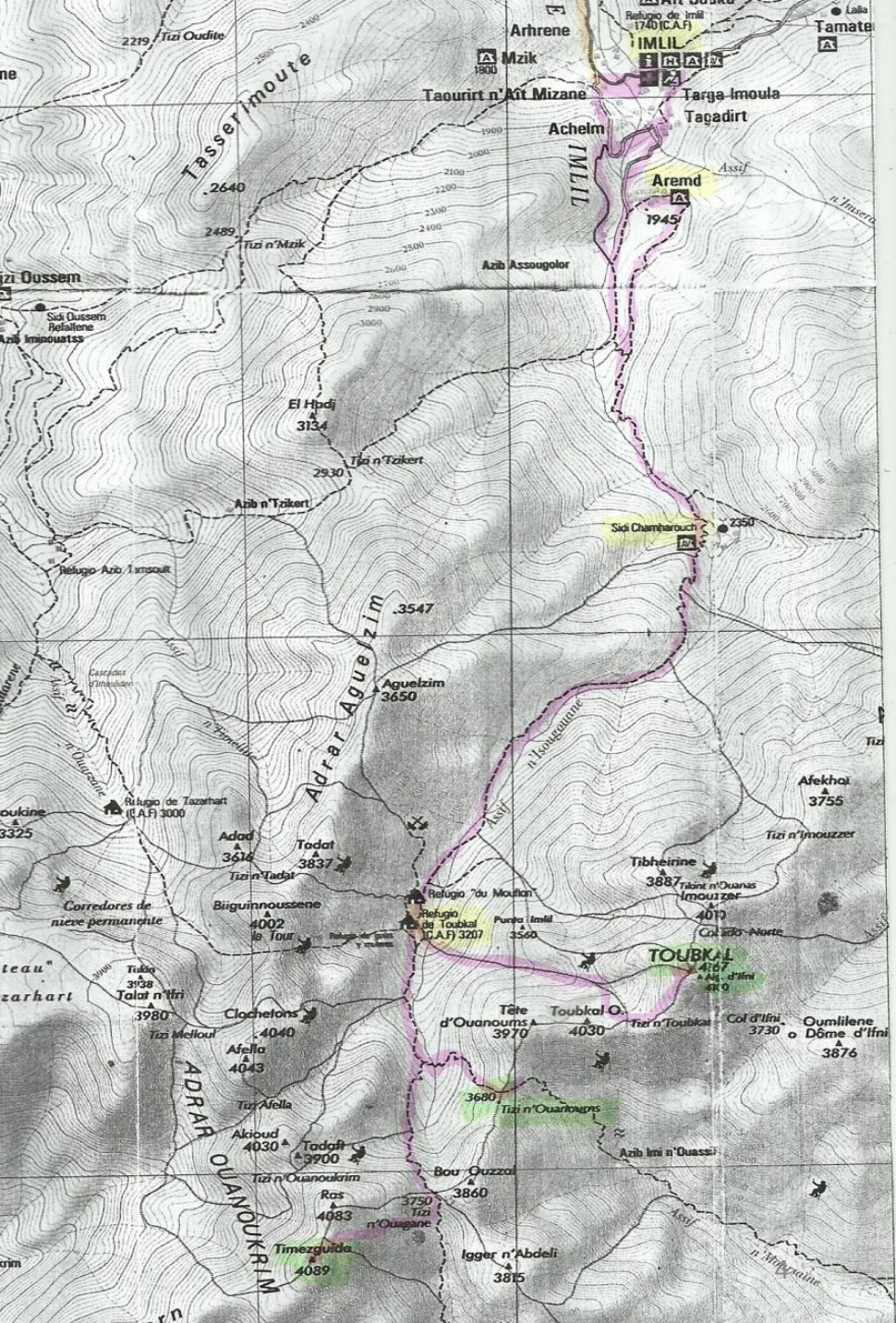
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# Itinerary

- Day 1.* Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> December 2012. Fly London Heathrow to Marrakech via Casablanca.
- Day 2.* Walking tour of Marrakech including Koutoubia Mosque, Jemaa el-Fnaa souq and the Bahia palace.  
Minibus journey to Imlil. 45 minute hike to Aremd.
- Day 3.* Trek to Neltner refuge (3207m).
- Day 4.* Ascent of Ouanoukrim (4088m)
- Day 5.* Ascent of Toubkal (4167m)
- Day 6.* Trek to Tizi Ouanoums pass (3680m). Trek from Neltner to Aremd.
- Day 7.* Walk Aremd to Imlil then minibus transfer to Marrakech.
- Day 8.* Return to UK



London to Marrakech is 1,867 miles by road



# Team Toubkal

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Peter

Dave

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Mark

Mohammed



Hussain

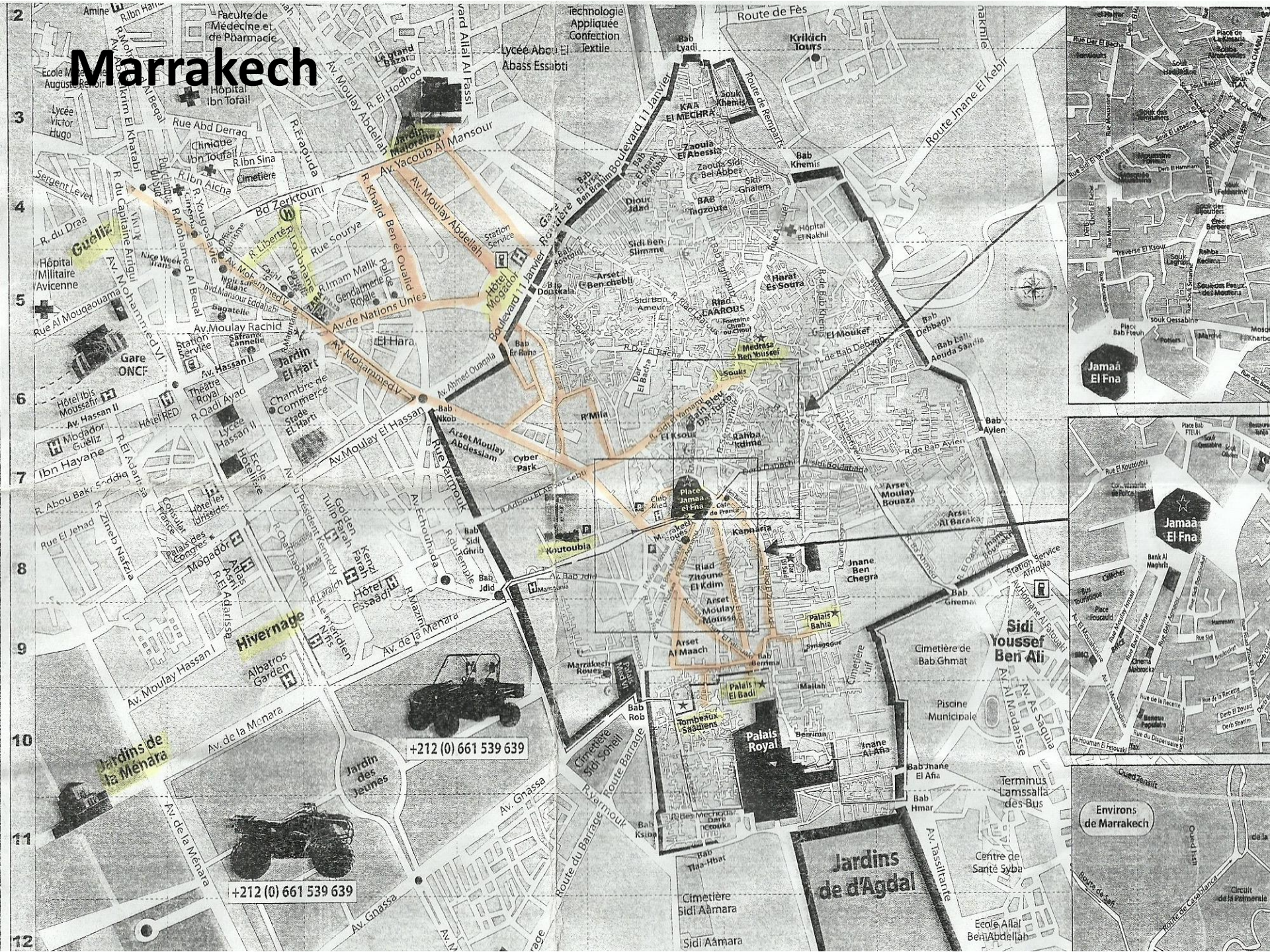
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# Marrakech



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Environs de Marrakech

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Hotel Le Caspien



Said the Guide



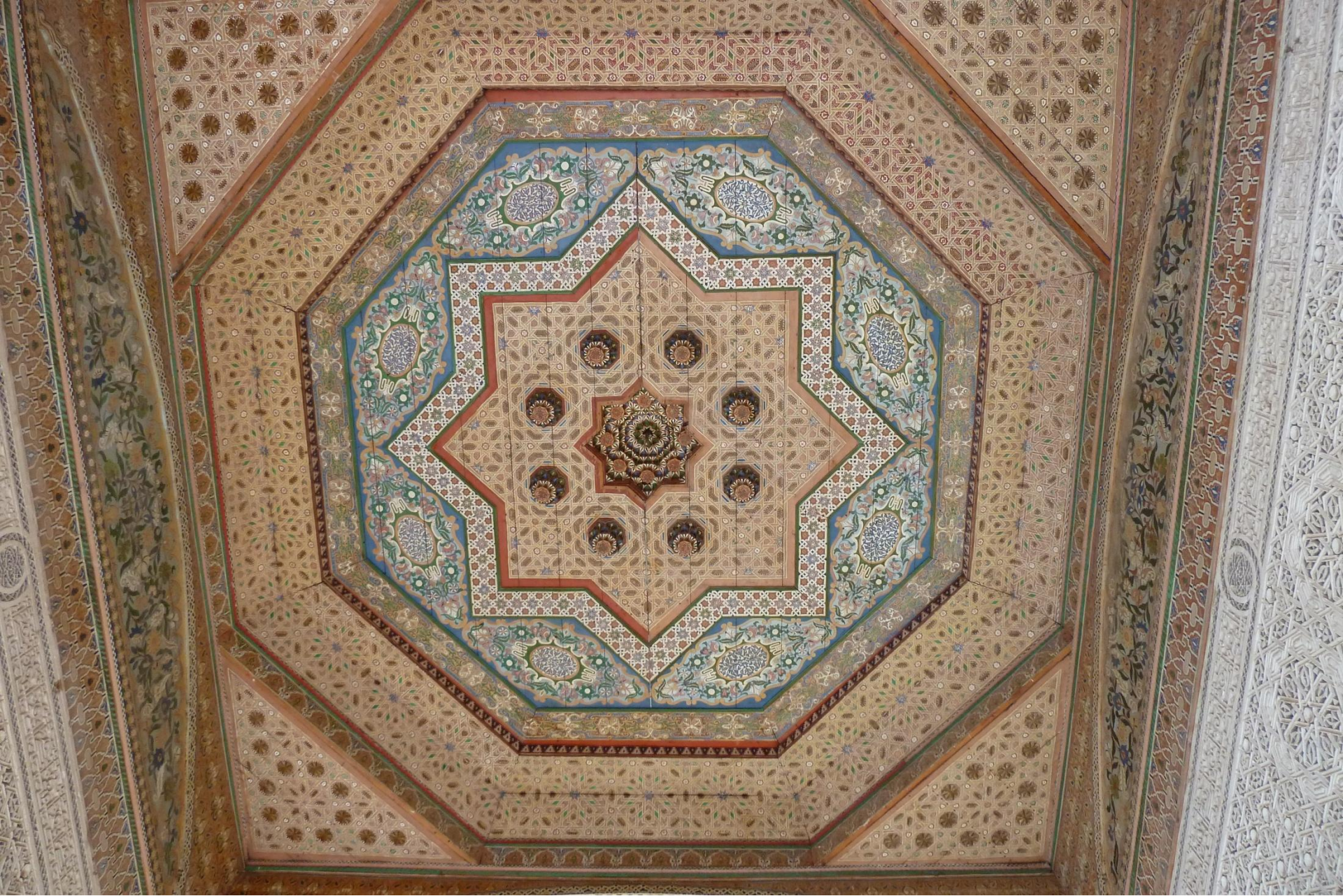
Koutoubia Mosque



[Bahia Palace, Marrakech](#)













[Jemaa el-Fnaa soug](#)













“Good for digestion”



The trek begins at Imlil following a two hour drive from Marrakech

At the gite in Aremd, the first of many expertly poured mint teas



Sidi Chamarouch shrine (2310m)



Towards the snowline, and Neltner





Neltner refuge (3207m)









Looking back towards Neltner from the col underneath Ouanoukrim



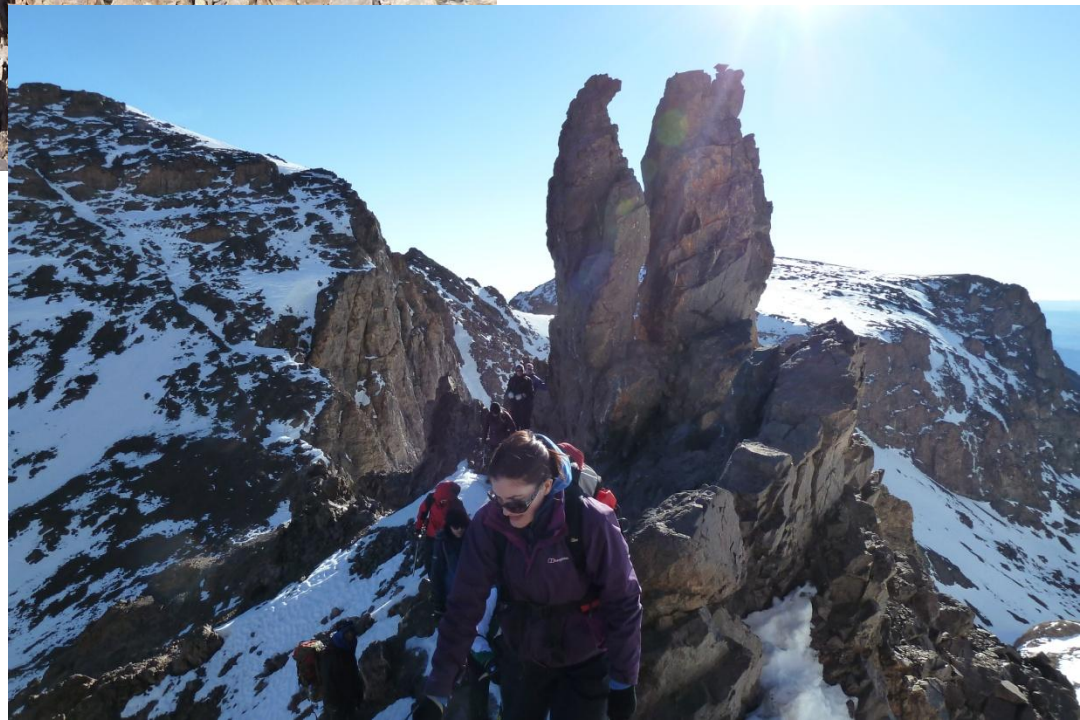
The valley the other side of the col



Shelter, sunshine and magic nuts and figs. Morale in a bag!



The infamous Ouanoukrim  
scrambly bit!





Mohammed points towards Toubkal



The long snow slope approach to the higher, *Timezguida*, of the two peaks of Ouanoukrim (4088m) *Ras* was merely admired.





At the summit of Ouanoukrim (4088m)



The Sahara and the sea ....







Starting the long descent from Ouanoukrim to Neltner







A very late lunch back at the French Alpine refuge at Neltner



A 6am start to Toubkal day...





On the Toubkal summit ridge. Truly glorious conditions!





The final ridge to the summit of Toubkal





Ouanoukrim (4088m) from the summit of Toubkal (4167m)

























Tizi Ouanoums pass (3680m)









Approaching Aremd





View from the gite balcony

Another new arrival at our gite in Aremd



**CEASOURE**

And then an invigorating local  
Aremd hamam!



Presenting tips and thanks to the mule drivers and Yusef the cook



Leaving Aremd for Imlil



Luxury (and  
four poster  
beds!) at the  
[Moroccan  
House Hotel](#) in  
Marrakech





Sunset over Jemaa el-Fnaa viewed from Cafe de France









