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**REVIEWS**

## Kasbah Tamadot, Marrakech, Morocco

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IT'S IMMEDIATELY CLEAR Kasbah Tamadot is a little bit special. Having checked in, we were taken through the tranquil gardens, looking out over vast valleys and the Atlas Mountains, and served traditional mint tea. Guests wandered the gardens around us, a few more mingled around the heated outdoor pool and we had lunch on the terrace, sampling a selection from the grill.

With just 24 rooms, all different — sadly, we couldn't try the luxury Berber-style tented suites — ours was nothing short of perfect. Complete with minibar, sound system, luxurious bathroom and lounge area, it was all you could ask for and more. Attention to detail was second to none: authentic Moroccan artwork and furniture dotted the room and a pair of comfortable Berber slippers, which you could take home with you as a memento, lay ready for wearing.

After a dip in the indoor pool and then a brief session in the sauna, we headed for dinner. The food and wine were sensational, the sommelier very helpful in choosing the best wines on offer and we retired to the candlelit reflection pool to cap the night off perfectly.

Unfortunately, our stay was for just one night and the biggest regret was that we didn't have more time to sample some of the walks and tours of the region Kasbah Tamadot had to offer. We did stroll the grounds the next morning to discover the fitness centre, tennis courts, roof terraces, boutique and library, complete with a roaring log fire and leather sofas.

This was a magical, inspiring experience that truly lived up to our expectations and provided a welcome rest from the hustle and bustle of the city to which we reluctantly headed back.



### ESSENTIALS

► **LOCATION:** Asni, near Marrakech, Morocco.

► **X-FACTOR:** The stunning location.

► **WHAT NEXT:** Prices from £309 per room per night. T: 0800 716919.

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**VERDICT: 10/10**