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- Telephone Numbers
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- Internet Access
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- Vegetarian Selection
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- Family-Friendly
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- Bus
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- Subway
- London Tube
- Tram
- Train

Find each listing quickly on maps for each neighbourhood:

**Bar Hemingway**

Legend has it that Hemingway, wielding a machine to separate this timber-pan bar during his stay in Marrakesh. The showpiece is a scene of Aaron Best for Papa and the town. Dress

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**Lonely Planet’s Marrakesh**

Lonely Planet Pocket Guides are designed to get you straight to the heart of the city. Inside you’ll find all the must-see sights, plus tips to make your visit to each one really memorable. We’ve split the city into easy-to-navigate neighbourhoods and provided clear maps so you’ll find your way around with ease. Our expert authors have searched out the best of the city: walks, food, nightlife and shopping, to name a few. Because you want to explore, our ‘Local Life’ pages will take you to some of the most exciting areas to experience the real Marrakesh.

And of course you’ll find all the practical tips you need for a smooth trip: itineraries for short visits, how to get around, and how much to tip the guy who serves you a drink at the end of a long day’s exploration.

It’s your guarantee of a really great experience.
The Best of Marrakesh

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Welcome to Marrakesh

Prepare for your senses to be slapped. Musicians, snail-vendors and conjurers collide on Djemaa el-Fna, from where ochre-dusted lanes twist to curio-crammed souqs. While the city’s thriving art scene and cafe culture generate a cosmopolitan buzz, it’s the medina’s heady scents and sounds that bedazzle, frazzle and enchant. Put on your pointy babouches (leather slippers) and dive in.
Djemaa el-Fna (p24)

If all the world’s a stage, then Djemaa el-Fna is the grand finale, thrumming and shimmying to a mash-up of musicians and mayhem. The only option is to join in.