

# Why modern Marrakesh is enticing property buyers

With more flights, luxury hotels and a fresh polo scene, it could be time to buy



Ritz-Carlton branded residences at the Jnan Amar Polo Club in Marrakesh start at €1.33 million for three bedrooms

On the doorstep of Europe, only 14km across the Strait of Gibraltar from Spain, Morocco attracts the highest number of international tourists of any African nation. Yet it has had a tough few years since the Arab Spring of 2011, when anti-government protests broke out in north Africa and the Middle East and terrorism hit its neighbours, including the beach resort shooting in Tunisia in 2015. As Amine Boughaleb, the director of the Moroccan tourist board for the UK, puts it: “It has been an island of stability in the middle of a region of instability.” Now, however, flights from Britain to the bohemian city of Marrakesh are full again (there are 93 flights a week, up from 52 in 2012), queues are snaking around...