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6-14 DÉCEMBRE 2025



مدينة اللغات والثقافات

Cité des langues et des cultures

It's official — the 11th International Francophone Chess Meetings (RIDEF) will be held in Marrakech from December 6 to 14, 2025.

The "Red City" will host the major annual gathering of the global Francophone chess community in a setting that is both majestic and welcoming.

The spirit of brotherhood and sharing that characterizes the RIDEF will be at the heart of this new edition. Participants will enjoy Morocco's warm hospitality, the high quality of the organization, top-level competitions, and a rich cultural and tourist program showcasing all the beauty and diversity of Marrakech and its region.

The official ceremonies, the setting of the partner hotels, and the unique atmosphere that reigns each year will make RIDEF 2025 an unforgettable event for all lovers of Francophone chess.

The following titles will be awarded:

- 2025 Francophone Champion
- 2025 Francophone Women's Champion
- 2025 Francophone Senior +50 Champion
- 2025 Francophone Veteran +65 Champion
- 2025 Francophone Blitz Champion
- 2025 Francophone Rapid Champion

Palmarès 2023 – Yamoussoukro (Côte d'Ivoire)

Champion : MI Shawn RODRIGUE-LEMIEUX (Canada - Québec)

Championne : WGM Maïli-Jade OUELLET (Canada – Québec)

Champion Senior : MI Damir LEVACIC (Monaco)

Champion Vétéran : Mohamed LAMETI (Maroc)

Champion Blitz : MI Loïc TRAVADON (France)

Champion Rapides : GMI Victor BOLOGAN (Moldavie)

Palmarès 2024 – Québec (Canada)

Champion : GM Gabriel FLOM (France)

Championne : WGM Maïli-Jade OUELLET (Canada – Québec)

Champion Senior : IM Thanh Nha DUONG (Canada - Québec)

Champion Vétéran : Daniel BOUDREAU (Canada - Québec)

Champion Blitz : GMI Shawn RODRIGUE-LEMIEUX (Canada – Québec)

Champion Rapides : GMI Christian BAUER (France)



Marrakech, nicknamed the “Red City” because of the ochre color of its ramparts and many buildings, is one of the most iconic and fascinating destinations in Morocco. Nestled at the foot of the majestic Atlas Mountains, it captivates visitors with its unique blend of age-old traditions and vibrant modernity. A historic and cultural city, Marrakech offers an incomparable sensory experience — a feast of colors, scents, and sounds.

Founded in the 11th century, Marrakech was the political and cultural heart of several Moroccan dynasties, bearing witness to a rich architectural and artistic heritage. Its medina, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is a living labyrinth where artisans, merchants, and visitors from around the world cross paths. The Jemaa el-Fna square, the city’s iconic central hub, is the stage for a perpetual spectacle: snake charmers, storytellers, musicians, and fresh orange juice vendors create a unique and enchanting atmosphere, day and night.

Among the city’s must-see landmarks, the majestic Koutoubia Mosque, with its imposing minaret, towers over Marrakech and symbolizes its spiritual heritage. The Bahia Palace, with its lush gardens and refined decorations, offers a glimpse into the splendor of former royal residences. The Majorelle Garden, famous for its vibrant colors and Berber museum, provides a peaceful oasis in the heart of the city’s hustle and bustle. The Saadian Tombs, remnants of a glorious dynasty, reveal the elegance of Moroccan decorative art.

For those wishing to venture beyond the city, the Atlas Mountains offer breathtaking landscapes and a wide range of activities, from trekking to visits to authentic Berber villages. Further afield, the Agafay Desert provides a more intimate experience than the Sahara, with its dunes and rocky plateaus ideal for camel rides or 4x4 excursions — a striking contrast to the lively atmosphere of the medina.

Marrakech thus enchants visitors with its cultural richness, vitality, and diversity of landscapes, offering every traveler a unique blend of adventure, relaxation, and unforgettable discovery.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EgeIm5_x25w

Competitions

1. Standard Chess Championship

Open tournament of 9 rounds, Swiss system.

FIDE-rated, with a time control of 90 minutes + 30 seconds per move.

Players may request one bye (½ point) during the first six rounds, provided they inform the arbiter before the pairings are published.

Separate standings will be established for the Women's Champion, Senior +50 Champion, and Veteran +65 Champion titles.

Entry fee: €30 (320 MAD) – IMs and GMs free of charge.

2. Rapid Chess Championship

Open tournament of 9 rounds, Swiss system.

FIDE-rated, with a time control of 15 minutes + 10 seconds per move.

Entry fee: €15 (160 MAD) – IMs and GMs free of charge.

3. Blitz Chess Championship

Open tournament of 11 rounds, Swiss system.

FIDE-rated, with a time control of 5 minutes + 3 seconds per move.

Entry fee: €5 (60 MAD) – IMs and GMs free of charge.

The top 10 boards will be broadcast live online.

Prizes are indivisible, non-cumulative, and awarded according to the final overall ranking.

Tiebreaks: 1. Direct encounter – 2. Cut Buchholz – 3. Buchholz – 4. Elo performance.

Pairings will be managed using the Swiss-Manager program.



The International Arbiter Laurent Freyd will lead the team of arbiters.

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Prix 11° RIDEF - MARRAKECH 2025				
PRIX €	PLACE	OPEN	RAPIDE	BLITZ
GENERAUX	1°	1000	400	200
	2°	700	250	100
	3°	500	150	50
	4°	300	100	
	5°	200	50	
	6°	100		
FEMININES	1°	1000	400	200
	2°	700	250	100
	3°	500	150	
SENIORS +50	1°	250	150	50
VETERANS +65	1°	250	150	50
U18	1°	100	50	50
U16	1°	100	50	50
U14	1°	100	50	50
ELO 2000 - 2200	1°	100	50	50
ELO 1800 - 1999	1°	100	50	50
ELO -1799 & NC	1°	100	50	50
Marocain	1°	200	100	50
	2°	100	50	
TOTAUX 10000 €		6 400 €	2 500 €	1 100 €

IMPORTANT : Seuls les joueurs possédant un identifiant FIDE lié à un pays membre de l'AIDEF peuvent participer.

Liste des pays membres : <https://aidef.fide.com/spip.php?article27>

Schedule

11° RIDEF - MARRAKECH			
CALENDRIER 2025			
vendredi	05/12/25	Toute la journée	Arrivée et accueil
samedi	06/12/25	09.00 – 14.00	Arrivée et accueil
		09.00 – 15.30	Pointage obligatoire
		15.30	Clôture des inscriptions
		16.00	Cérémonie d'ouverture
		16.30	Ronde 1
dimanche	07/12/25	09.00 - 13.00	Activités touristiques
		15.30	Ronde 2
lundi	08/12/25	10.00	Ronde 3
		16.00	Ronde 4
mardi	09/12/25	09.00 - 13.00	Activités touristiques
		16.00	Ronde 5
mercredi	10/12/25	10.00	Ronde 6
		16.00	Ronde 7
jeudi	11/12/25	09.00 - 13.00	Activités touristiques
			Ronde 8
vendredi	12/12/25	09.00 - 13.00	Activités touristiques
		16.00	BLITZ
samedi	13/12/25	10.00 - 19.00	RAPIDES
dimanche	14/12/25	10.00	Ronde 9
		17.00	Cérémonies de remise des prix
lundi	15/12/25	Avant midi	Départs

Playing hall



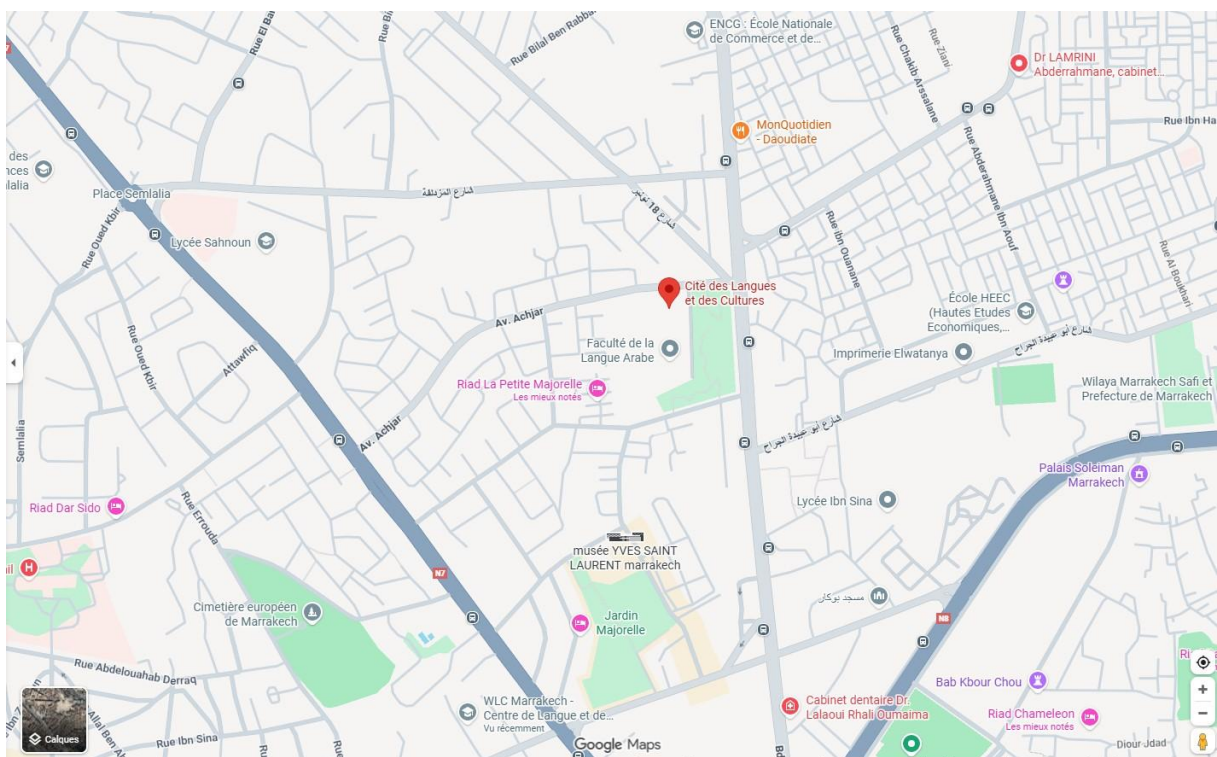
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Official accomodations

Prices in Moroccan Dirhams: 100 MAD = €9.40

Breakfast included.

- Hôtel Majorelle 3* (900m from playing hall)

<http://www.hotel-majorelle.com>

Single 350 MAD – Double 550 MAD – Triple 900 MAD

- Hôtel Gomassine 3* (2,3 km from playing hall)

<https://gomassine.hotelinmarrakech.net/fr/>

Single 320 MAD – Double 500 MAD – Triple 850 MAD

- Hôtel Les Ambassadeurs 4* (2,5 km from playing hall)

<https://hotellesambassadeurs.morocco-ma.website/>

Single 700 MAD – Double 850 MAD – Triple 1100 MAD

- Club Université Cadi Ayyad :

149 rue Ibn Zohair, (2,5 km from playing hall)

Leisure club offering residences for university guests.

Sports facilities: swimming pools and modern sports fields reserved for residents.

University restaurant: open every day except Monday, with catering available for conferences and events. Price of a standard meal: 40–50 MAD.

Rooms (2 people) 2 beds: 200 MAD per room per day.

Bungalows (3–4 people): Moroccan-style living room, bathroom, double bed: 400 MAD per bungalow per day.

Reservations :



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Note: Due to the high demand for accommodation in Marrakech at this time, it is recommended to book your stay as early as possible.

Registration & Information (outside Morocco)



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Note: Payments must be made at least 10 days before the start of the tournament.

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