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A TOAST TO NOVEMBER

We're raising our glasses to the Netherlands this month, as the Utrecht Craft Beer Festival comes to town 3-5 November. The country's craft brew boom is in full swing and has superb indie breweries to show for it. The festival spans the canal-lined city and 26 biercafés and bars are hosting local brewers and a diverse range of their best beers. Entry is free, all you pay for is what you drink. Look out for unconventional brews from Oedipus Brewing, and Brouwerij's strong, dark beers. streekbierfestival.nl



COOKS OF THE ROUND TABLE

As if Tel Aviv's food scene wasn't fascinating enough, an exciting constellation of Michelin-starred chefs will be joining forces as part of the Round Tables series of 14 dinners across some of the city's restaurants (12-17 November). Our top picks include one-star JP McMahon of Galway's Aniar, who will be bringing Irish produce and Nordic style to Hotel Montefiore and Jason Atherton, who will be serving his signature braised ox cheeks and maple doughnuts from bistro Little Social at The Blue Rooster. roundtablestour.com

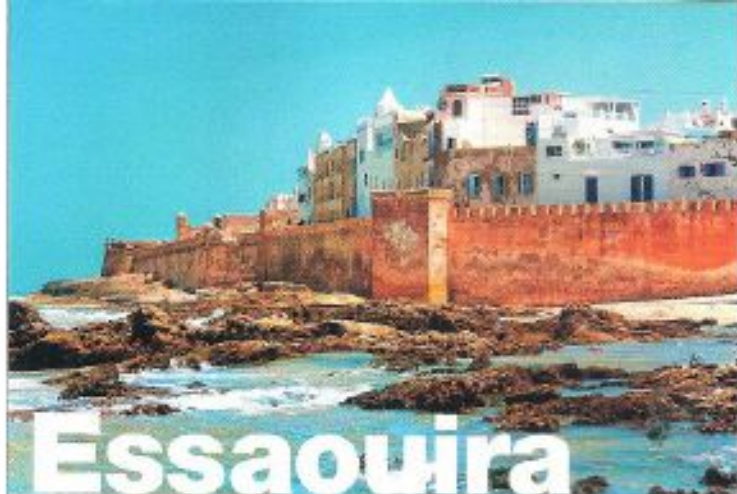
WE'RE IN LOUVRE

Louvre Abu Dhabi is set to open on Saadiyat Island on 11 November. Swathed in a staggering lattice dome with the Arabian Gulf beneath, it is the first museum of its kind in the region.



LONG WEEKENDS MADE EASY

The lure of an autumnal escape is just the ticket as the nights draw in. A flurry of new flight routes will make it even easier to stave off those November blues this month. If you fancy a mini break in **Athens, Greece** easyJet will fly there from Bristol as of 8 November. For fewer hours spent in the air, and more time exploring, BA is launching twice-weekly flights from Heathrow to **Turin, Italy** on 26 November and four departures per week from Gatwick to **Nuremberg, Germany** as of 30 November, while easyJet will go from Luton to **Alghero, Italy** from 28 November.



Essaouira

in six stops

Blossom Green discovers the Arabic, Berber and European influences at play in Morocco's hip port city

1 A laid-back alternative to Marrakech, Essaouira swaps dusky deserts for whites and electric blues. Its curving beach and 20C highs makes for a relaxing start to your trip. The Alizés winds are ideal for kite-surfing or you can take a camel ride.

2 Wind your way through the a riot of colour in the labyrinthine streets of the Unesco-listed medina. Craftsmen and artists do brisk trade and you'll find quality leather goods, silver jewellery, old silks, textiles and kilims amid the tangle of the, spice-scented souks. Don't be afraid to barter.

3 Home to one of Morocco's most important fishing harbours, head to the picturesque port for lunch to pick from the fishermen's daily catch then take it to be cooked at one of the community ovens. Little more than holes in the wall, these are hotspots for local storytellers. Alternatively, check out one of the many *gargottes* (fish grills).

4 There are plenty of cool hotels to bed down in here. Le Jardin des Douars is a sun-dappled terracotta dream with 28 rooms that kiss the hills, sitting amid botanical gardens, argan trees and olive groves. Homely Villa Maroc was the country's first riad hotel in the heart of the medina and offers top views. jardinedesdouars.com villa-maroc.com

5 A key spot on the Sixties hippie trail, artists and bohos have been flocking here for years and the likes of Jimi Hendrix and Cat Stevens once visited. The arty vibe has resisted the warm winds of change and can be seen in galleries like La Kasbah, Marea Arte, and Espace Othello.

6 The hills surrounding the city are replete with argan trees that yields fine oil. The briny, mineral-rich terroir also produces wines that stand up against the best. Try both for yourself at beautiful vineyard Val d'Argan, where you can also have lunch. valdargan.com