



Avoid use roaming in Marrakech. There is very little regulation on pricing and networks tend to charge hyper-inflated prices. Data usage can be even more expensive. A better option is to buy a local mobile SIM card, be it for calls to your country, to Morocco or for data coverage,

useful for navigation around the tangled streets and souks (local term for bazaar or marketplace) of Medina. INWI, one of the telecommunication companies in Morocco has a booth in the airport arrival hall where you can purchase a SIM Card for your unlocked phone. **1 GB of data, 3 hours of local calls and 1000 texts will cost 120 dh (about EUR 12).**

For Community members needing it, local Sim Cards will be available to buy at Meara Tour desk at the airport and at the sponsor area in the convention center.



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Morocco has three network operators



Maroc Telecom (IAM = Itissalat Al-Maghrib)

Though being the biggest mobile provider, mostly owned by UAE-based Etisalat, with the best coverage (map), the internet is full of conflicting reports about this operator. Especially the purchase of the SIM card and the data packs proved to be complicated and needed special assistance which was then double-charged. [See more](#)

Méditel

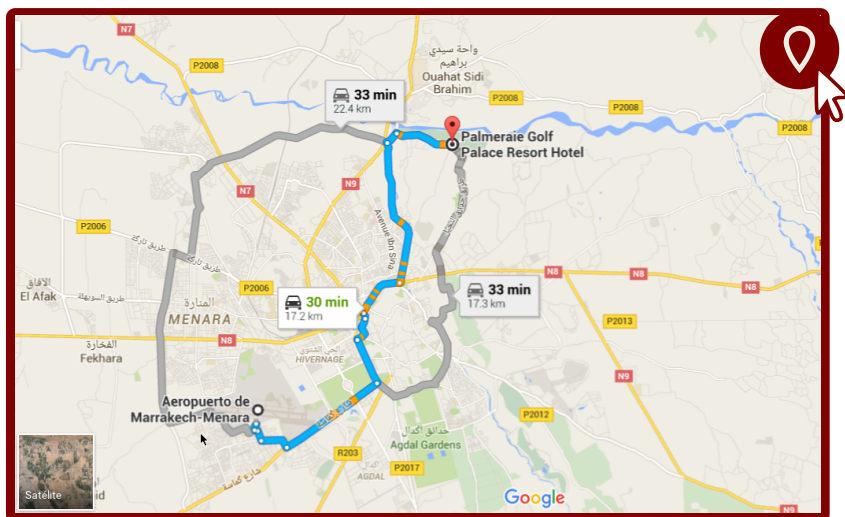
Méditel is the second provider in the country and mostly owned by French Telecom (Orange). Coverage is not as good as Maroc Telecom but still reasonable. 3G is available in most towns, 4G/LTE has been started in 2015 in about 8 towns so far. [See more](#)

inwi (by Wana Corporate S.A.)

Inwi is the smallest provider in Morocco but still reasonable if you stick to the towns mainly. Make a network scan, if you want to use it at a particular place. 3G coverage map. 4G/LTE has started in 2015 in 26 cities. [See more](#)



I got ripped off several times in Morocco before learning how to cab like a local. I'm used to negotiating a price before getting into a cab and this was my problem. In most countries this is a smart move, but not here. The locals just jump in, bark out a destination and the driver turns on the meter and starts driving. This way you'll pay a fraction of the price and skip the whole haggling step. If he fails to turn on the meter or starts trying to haggle anyway, just get out and find another cab. This obviously only applies to the red Petit cabs that have meters.



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