

DESERT HOMES



Desert homes need to be easily put up and taken down. Many families live in tents or huts. These homes can be carried from one place to another.

They may live in houses that are made out of stone or mud brick.

A tent has a covering made from goats skin. The skins are stretched over a frame. The frame is made from wooden poles. Up to 40 goat skins are sewn together.

The huts are shaped like a boat turned upside-down. They are made from grass.

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FOOD



People who live in the Sahara desert drink lots of milk. This milk comes from camels and goats.

They eat a grain called millet. They make this grain into bread or porridge, They also mix it with goats cheese, dates and water to make a thick drink.

The people can grow crops on desert oases. They only eat meat on special occasions. They eat camel or goat.

Tea is a popular drink in the desert. They add sugar or mint. The ceremony for making tea is very important.

DESERT CLOTHES



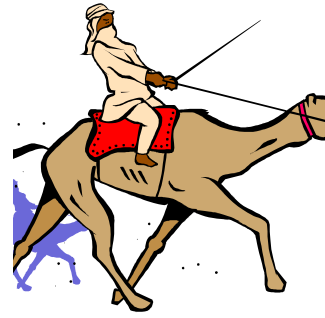
It is important to cover up bare skin from the hot sun. People wear layers of loose fitting clothes. The layers trap the sweat and keep the body cool.

Most men wear a turban on their heads. The turban has a veil. This veil protects their face from sun and sand.

The women wear long skirts and blouses. After they are married, the women wear scarves to cover their hair and protect them from the hot sun.

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ENTERTAINMENT



The people who live far away from cities
have to entertain themselves

They sing, dance and play games.

They like to tell stories. These stories are
not written down, but told by the women in
the family. They tell stories about hyenas,
jackals or giraffes.

The women play an instrument called an
imzad, which is made from half a hollowed
out calabash. A calabash is a fruit.

They also race camels. To make it safer, a
remote controlled robot is used to ride the
camel.