世界の家・街並み

モロッコ

the Kingdom of Morocco



モロッコ王国、通称モロッコは北アフリカ北西部のマグレブに位置する立憲君主制国家。東にアルジェリアと、南にサ ハラ・アラブ民主共和国(西サハラ)と北にスペインの飛び地セウタ、メリリャに接し、西は大西洋に、北は地中海 に面している。首都はラバト。ベルベル人は、北アフリカ(マグレブ)の広い地域に古くから住む。北アフリカ諸国 でアラブ人が多数を占めるようになった現在も一定の人口をもち、文化的な独自性を維持する先住民族である。

A village of the Berber tribe, who live along the foothills of the 4000 meter high mountain ranges that border the Sahara/ Morocco The kingdom of Morocco, or simply Morocco, is a constitutional monarchy located in the northwestern portion of Africa known as the Maghreb. To the east lies Algeria; to the south the Sahara and the Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic (Western Sahara); touching Morocco on the north are the two autonomous Spanish cities of Ceuta and Melilla. To the west lies the Atlantic, northward it faces the Mediterranean Sea. The capitol is Rabat. The Berbers have lived in the region called the Maghreb since ancient times. They are a sizable minority in most northern African countries which are dominated by ethnic Arabs, and continue to preserve much of their unique aboriginal culture.



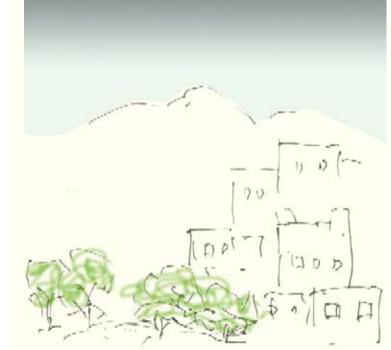
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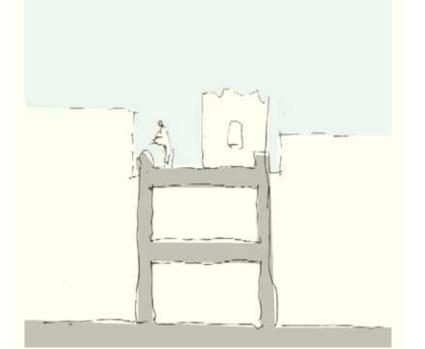
北アフリカマグレブ地方(マグレブとは陽の沈むところとの意味)のモロッコには4000m級のアトラス山脈がそびえる。



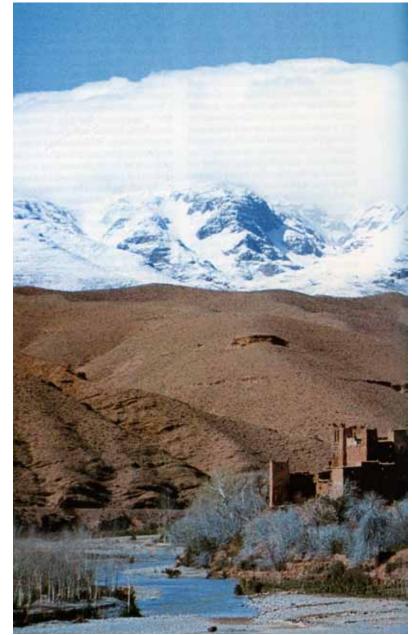
北アフリカモロッコのアトラス山脈 の南側には農牧業を営むベルベル人 達が極限状態にもかかわらず3000年 来定住し続けている。



サハラ砂漠に平時は生活する非定住 遊牧民達が食料を求め定期的に襲来 するのに備え、カスバと呼ばれる城 塞都市を築くことで自衛してきた。



個々の住居は1階が家畜小屋、中間階 が居住の場、そして屋上がルーフバ ルコニーとなっておりそこは物見塔 の建つ場所となっている。



冬には雪に覆われるアトラス山脈。



山脈の南にはサハラ砂漠が茫漠として広がっている。

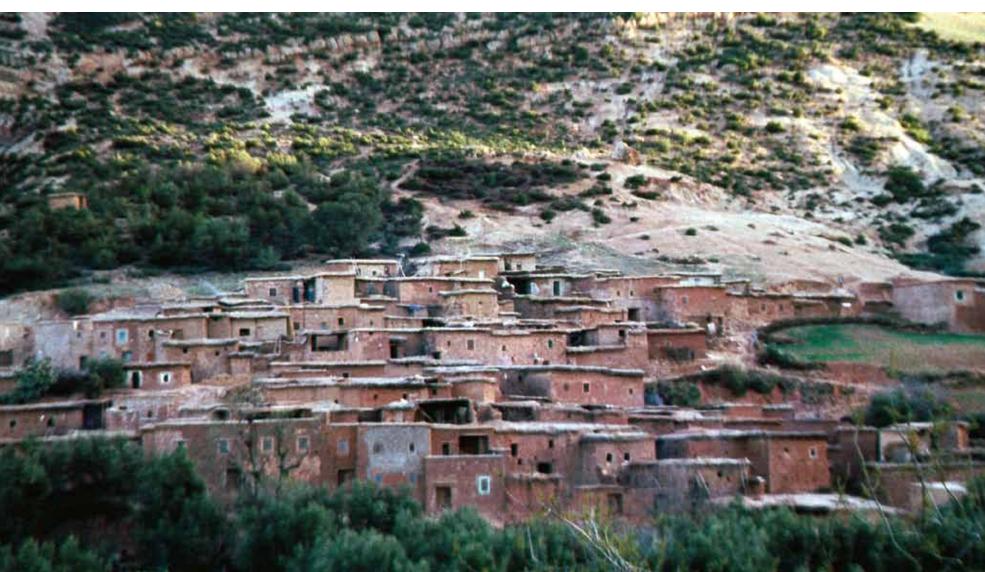
In the region of the southern periphery of Atlas Mountains, which lies in the central portion of Morocco, the Berber has inhabited over the last three thousand years, doing ranching and farming. Compared with the situation of fertile flat lad along the Mediterranean coastal area, the land is dry and barren, which makes inhabitants very difficult to survive.

On the other hand, the nomadic people resides in Shara. They are also continuously suffering for the shortage of their life-supporting food. Thus the nomad has periodically attacked the Berber villages, which has been the historical fact. Resisting against those attacks by Nomad, the Berber has been constructing the fortified village, called 'Casbah'.

Constructed with adobe, each Berber house in Casbah consists of three components; the first the cattle space underneath, the second the residential quarters in the middle, and finally the observation deck on the roof top. The observation towers are often additionally constructed. Inhabitants necessitates the quickest finding of those Nomad's attacks.







石が散らばる乾燥しきった荒れ地にあってベルベル人達は粛々と日々の営みを続けて一生を過ごす。

