



ALGERIA

KC MATCH DATES: JUNE 16 | 8:00 P.M. CENTRAL
JUNE 27 | 9:00 P.M. CENTRAL

OFFICIAL TEAM NAME

Algeria National Team / المنتخب الوطني الجزائري
(*al-moon-ta-khab al-wa-ta-nee al-ja-ZAI-ree*)

COMMON NICKNAME

Les Fennecs / The Fennecs ("The Desert Foxes")
(*leh FEH-neks*)

TEAM COLORS

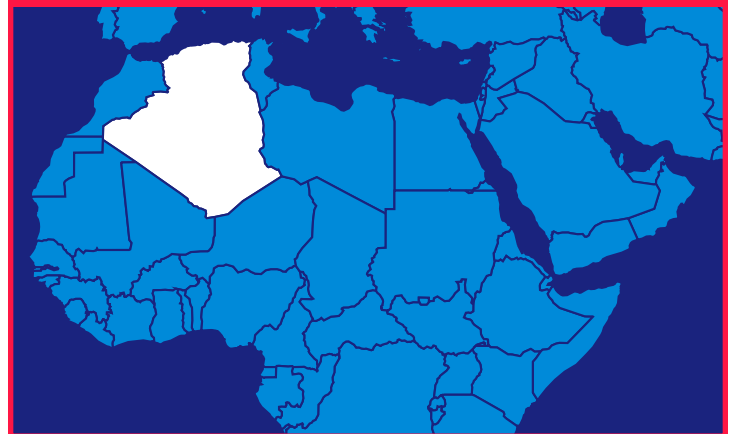
Green and white

BASE CAMP LOCATION

Rock Chalk Park
Lawrence, KS

WHERE IN THE WORLD

NORTH AFRICA



Approx. 13–18 hours travel to Kansas City

LANGUAGE & COMMUNICATION

PRIMARY LANGUAGE(S)

Arabic

Other Official Language: Amazigh (Berber)

Widely Used Language: French

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

Limited to moderate. More common among younger travelers and students

HELPFUL GREETINGS

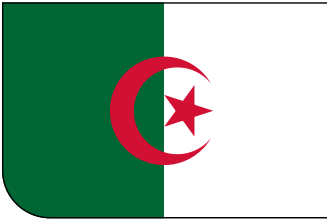
- ▶ Salam alaikum (sah-LAHM ah-LAY-koom) — Hello / Peace be upon you
- ▶ Azul (ah-ZOOL) — Hello (Amazigh greeting)
- ▶ Shukran (SHOO-kran) — Thank you
- ▶ Marhaba (mar -ha-ba) — Welcome

Effort is appreciated; perfect pronunciation is not expected.

SOCCER FAN CULTURE & SPIRIT

Algerian football supporters are among the most passionate in the world. Fans proudly wear the national colors of green and white, wave Algerian flags, and sing powerful chants that can echo through entire streets and stadiums. Matches are often experienced as large community celebrations. Supporters gather in groups of family and friends, creating an energetic atmosphere with drums, singing, and coordinated chants that celebrate the pride and resilience of the Algerian people.

Following major victories, celebrations often extend beyond the stadium. Fans may gather in lively public spaces or organize spontaneous car caravans with flags, music, and honking horns – a joyful tradition seen in cities around the world where Algerian supporters celebrate together.



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CULTURAL NORMS & ETIQUETTE

HIGH-LEVEL

Politeness, respectful greetings, and patience are appreciated. Hospitality is an important cultural value. Visitors are generally warm and sociable and often respond positively to friendly interactions.

HOSPITALITY, DINING & DAILY RHYTHM

Daily routines are similar to the U.S., though meals may occur slightly later.

- ▶ Breakfast: light, simple, bread, pastries + milk or coffee
- ▶ Lunch: often between 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
- ▶ Dinner: commonly between 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

FOOD, BEVERAGE & COMFORT

Some visitors may seek halal options; observance varies.

[Halal-Friendly Dining Guide](#) (Kansas City):

(Inclusion does not constitute endorsement by the Embassy or event organizers)

While some visitors observe halal dietary guidelines, practices vary by individual. Many visitors are also comfortable with vegetarian, seafood, or clearly labeled menu options. Coffee and tea are very popular beverages.

TRAVEL & CONSUMER BEHAVIOR

Visitors often travel as families, friend groups, or organized supporter groups. They are generally value-conscious but highly appreciative of welcoming and attentive service.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Some visitors may ask about nearby faith services, cultural organizations, or community gathering places during their stay. Businesses and community hosts are not expected to provide detailed guidance, but it can be helpful to be aware of trusted resources that visitors can use to locate services in the Kansas City region.

Tip for Hosts

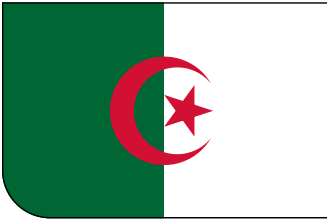
You do not need to be an expert. Simply knowing where to direct visitors for reliable information is often enough.

Faith & Prayer

A directory of local masajids (mosques) and Islamic centers serving residents and visitors is maintained by the American Muslim Coalition of Kansas City and can be found using [this website](#)

HOW OUR REGION CAN BE A GREAT HOST

Friendly greetings, welcoming gathering spaces, and an atmosphere that embraces celebration will resonate with Algerian supporters. Public spaces where fans can gather, sing, share food, and celebrate together help create the communal match-day experience Algerian fans enjoy.



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PAYMENT

Most international visitors primarily use credit or debit cards, including contactless payment methods. Businesses do not need to adopt new or specialized payment platforms. Some visitors may expect PIN-based card transactions, and occasional card declines may occur due to bank security settings. Numerous Algerian visitors may also carry cash (U.S. dollars) for smaller purchases, transportation, tipping, or as a backup payment method. Businesses able to accept both cards and cash may provide the most convenient experience for Algerian guests.

COMMUNICATION

Many international visitors use WhatsApp for personal communication with friends, family and travel companions. Businesses and community hosts are not expected to use WhatsApp. Visitors may share directions, reservations or information via their mobile phones or screenshots.

HELPFUL TIP

Clear signage, written confirmations, patience and friendly communication go a long way in creating a positive experience for international visitors.

ALGERIA TEAM FACTS

(Source: FIFA World Cup 2026™ Final Draw Stat Kit)

- Algeria have secured a berth at the FIFA World Cup™ for the first time in 12 years. Overall, this will be their fifth appearance at the tournament, having participated in 1982, 1986, 2010 and 2014.
- Their best performance came at Brazil 2014, reaching the Round of 16 for the first time. They pushed eventual champions Germany to extra time before narrowly losing 2-1.
- Algeria became the first African team to score four goals in a FIFA World Cup™ match in their 4-2 victory over Republic of Korea in 2014.
- Algeria booked their ticket to the FIFA World Cup 2026™ by claiming the top spot in Group G in the CAF qualifying tournament, with eight wins, one draw and only one defeat in ten matches. Mohamed Amoura struck ten goals in total to finish as the overall round's top scorer.