

Morocco Rorth Africa

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Part 3



Casablanca "The White City"





Casablanca is the largest city in Morocco, located in the centralwestern part of the country bordering the Atlantic Ocean. It is the largest city in the Maghreb, as well as one of the largest and most important cities in Africa, both economically and demographically. (Source: Council of Europe)

Casablanca is known as the "White City" because the buildings are white.

Casablanca Map







Hassan II Masjid

According to some sources,
"Hassan II Masjid" in Casablanca is
the largest masjid in Morocco and
Africa, and the seventh largest
masjid in the world.

Its minaret is the world's second tallest at 210 metres (689 ft).

Half of the donation for the masjid was given by the public.

Approximately 12 million people donated.









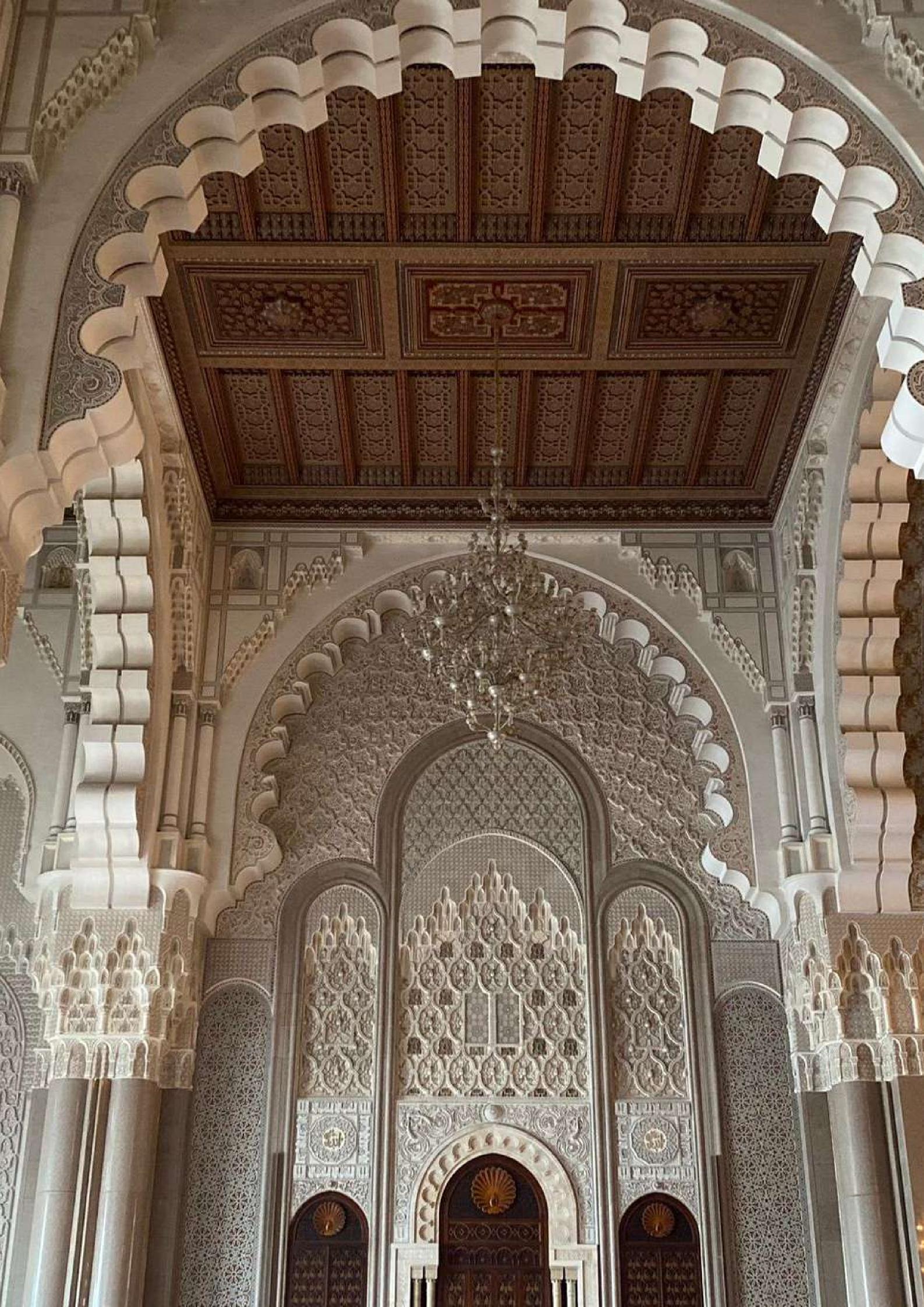
















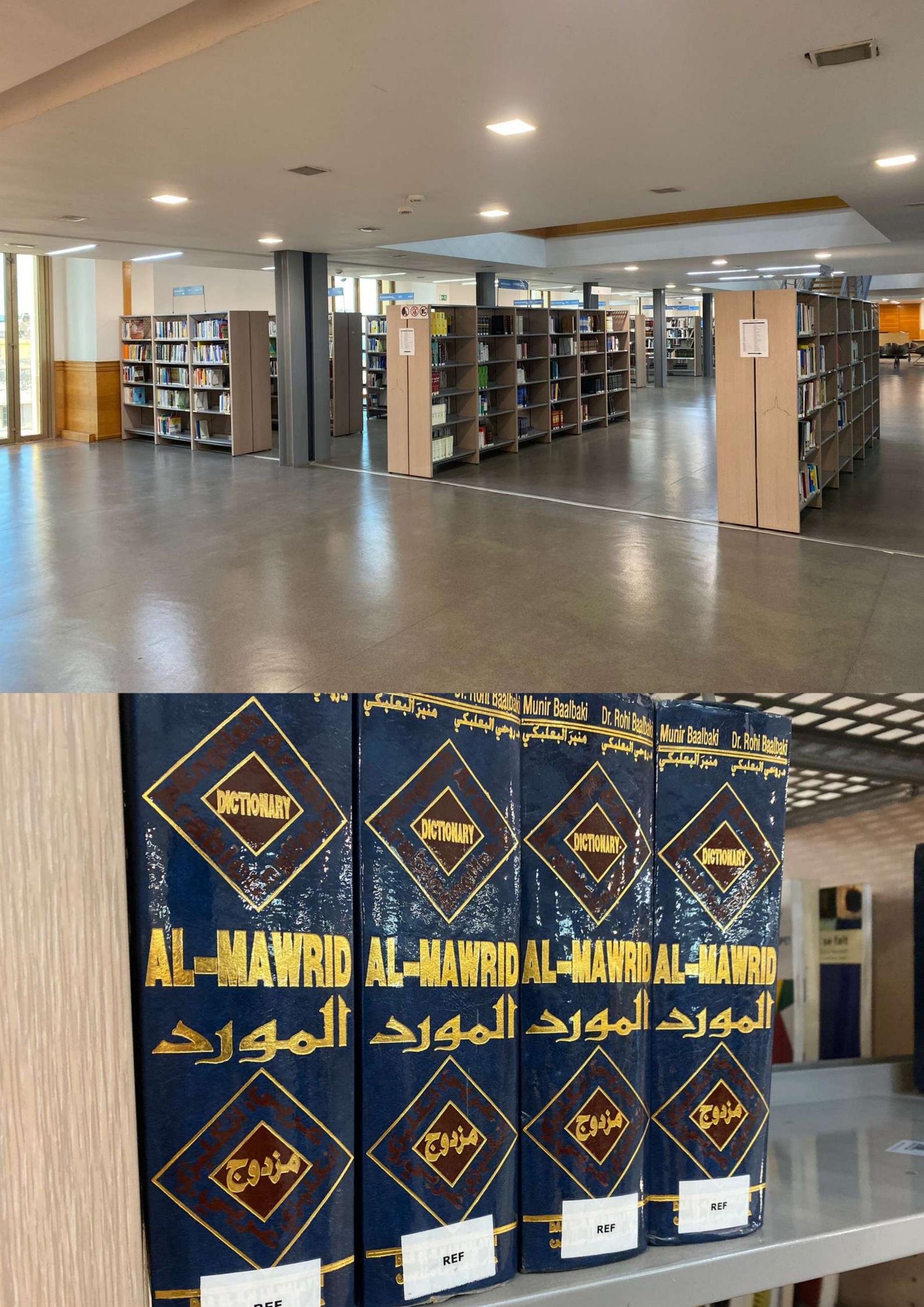






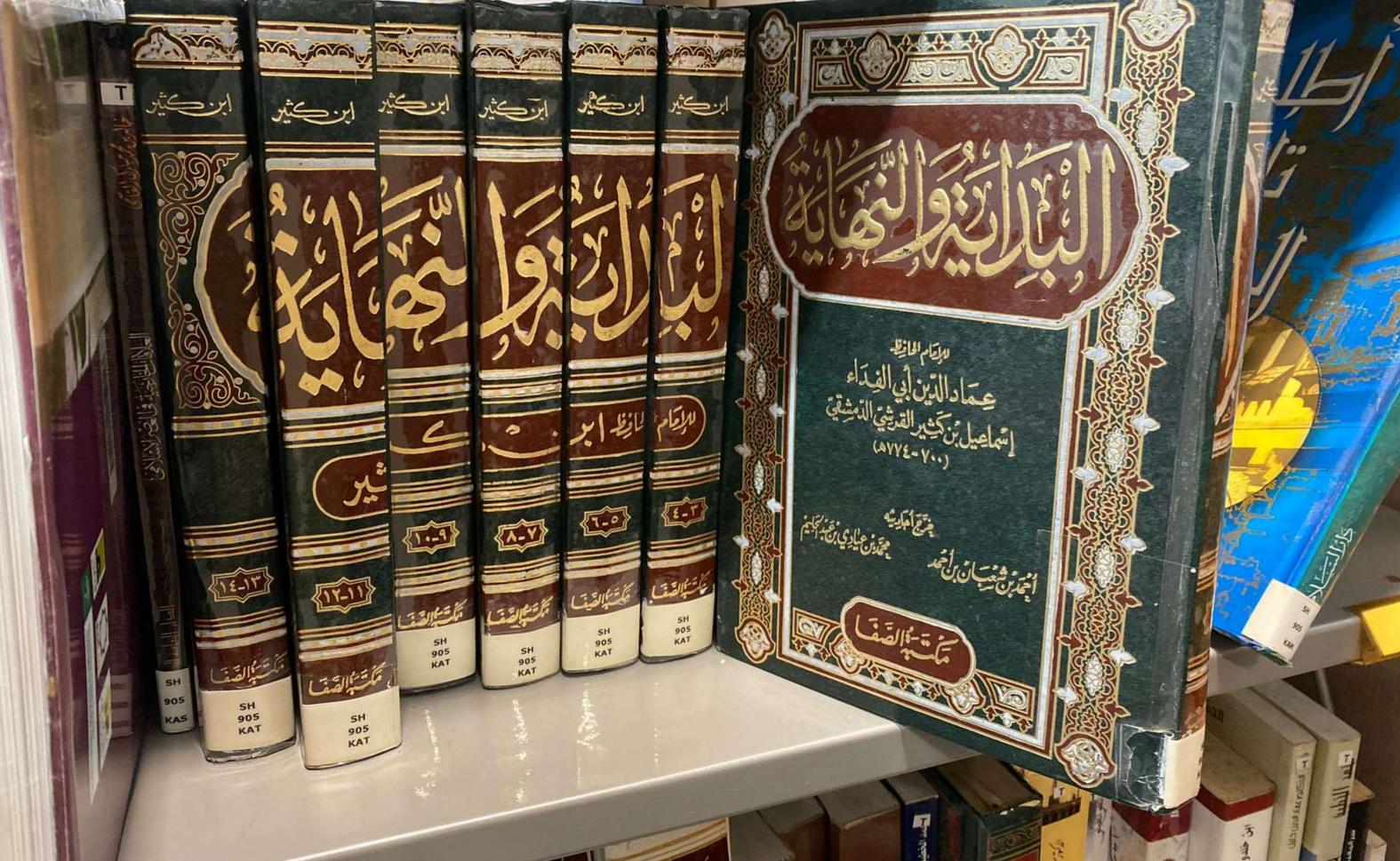
Hassan II Masjid Library



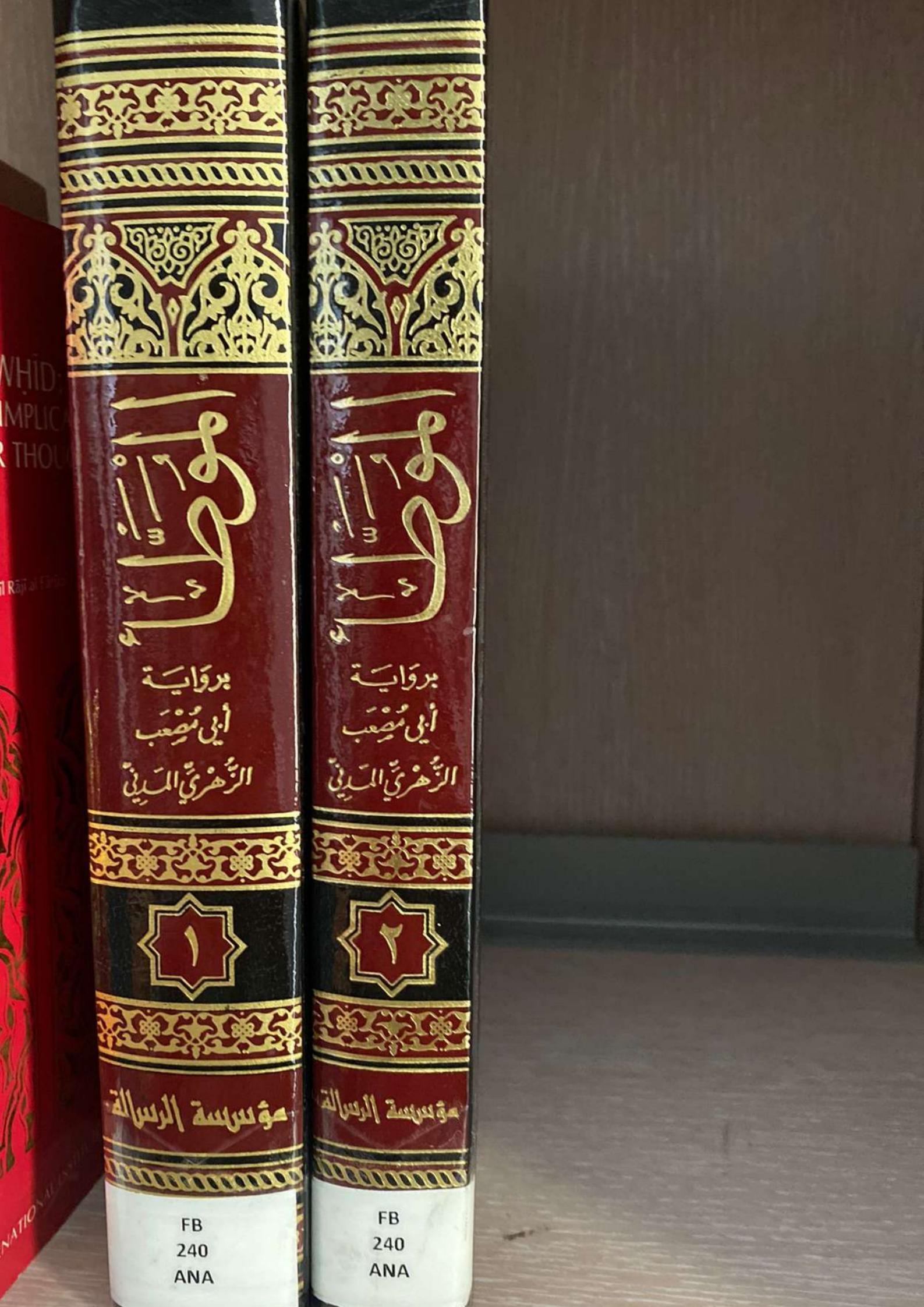














Hassan II Masjid Museum

A museum detailing the construction of the Hassan II Masjid, plus traditional Moroccan arts & crafts.







Wood Art

Wood craft industry draws its origins from Morocco's profound history. Historians consider that the direct ancestors of this art are the Kairouan and Andalouse mosques of the IX century and those of the Almoravids and Almohads of the XI and XII centuries.

The wood craft industry is composed of:

Carved Wood Art:

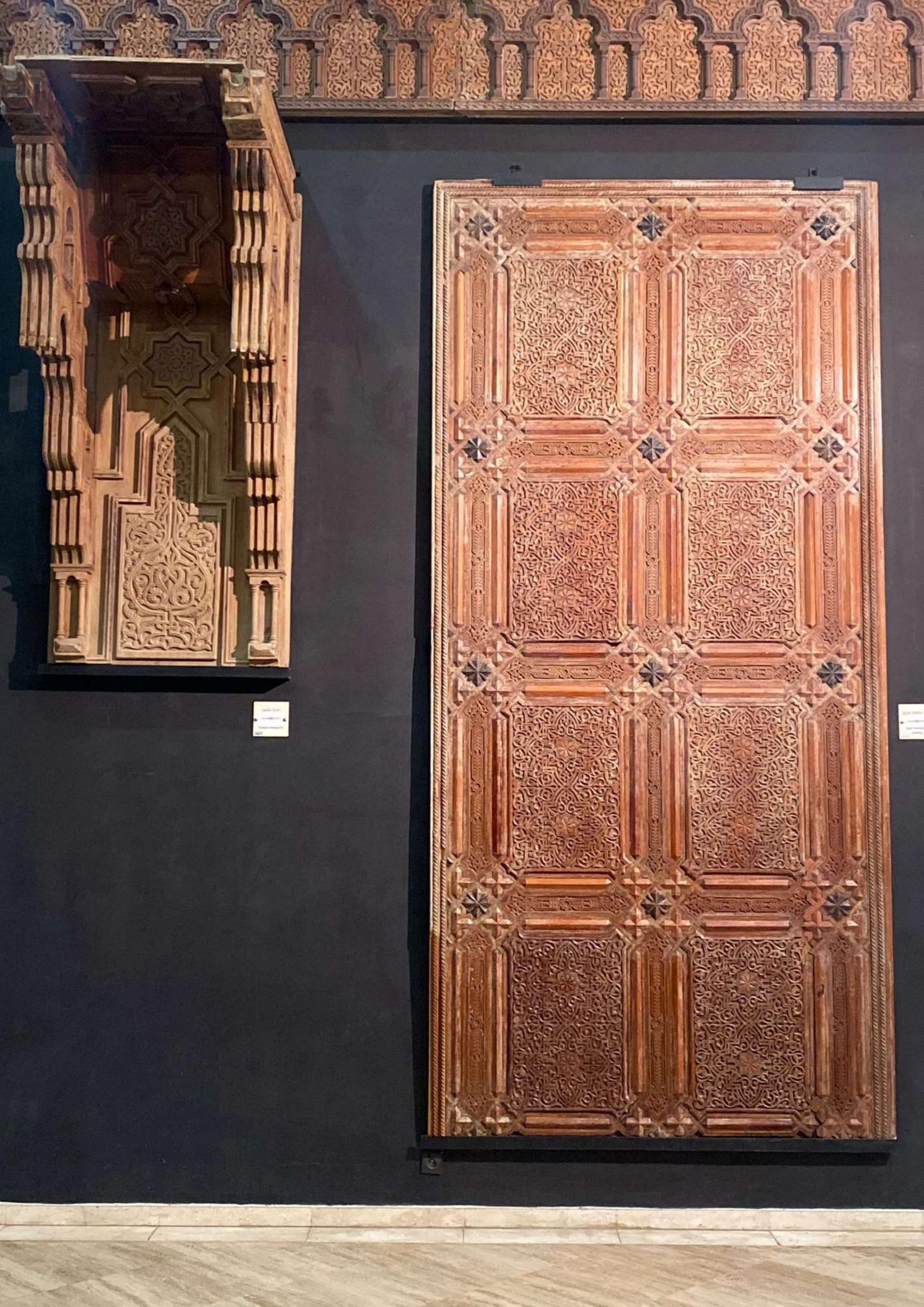
The craftsman called "Al-Naqash" carves various wood species, using chisels of various forms and sizes. Cedar is generally the most used wood.

Inlaid Wood (Marquetry):

Nothern Morocco Marquetry uses mahogany wood as a decoration support. The inlayer called "Al-Naoash" -ncrusts wood with bone fragments and a metal silver-plated wire. The craftsman called "A -Tabbaa' cuts and carves several wood species which he sticks on a plywood support.











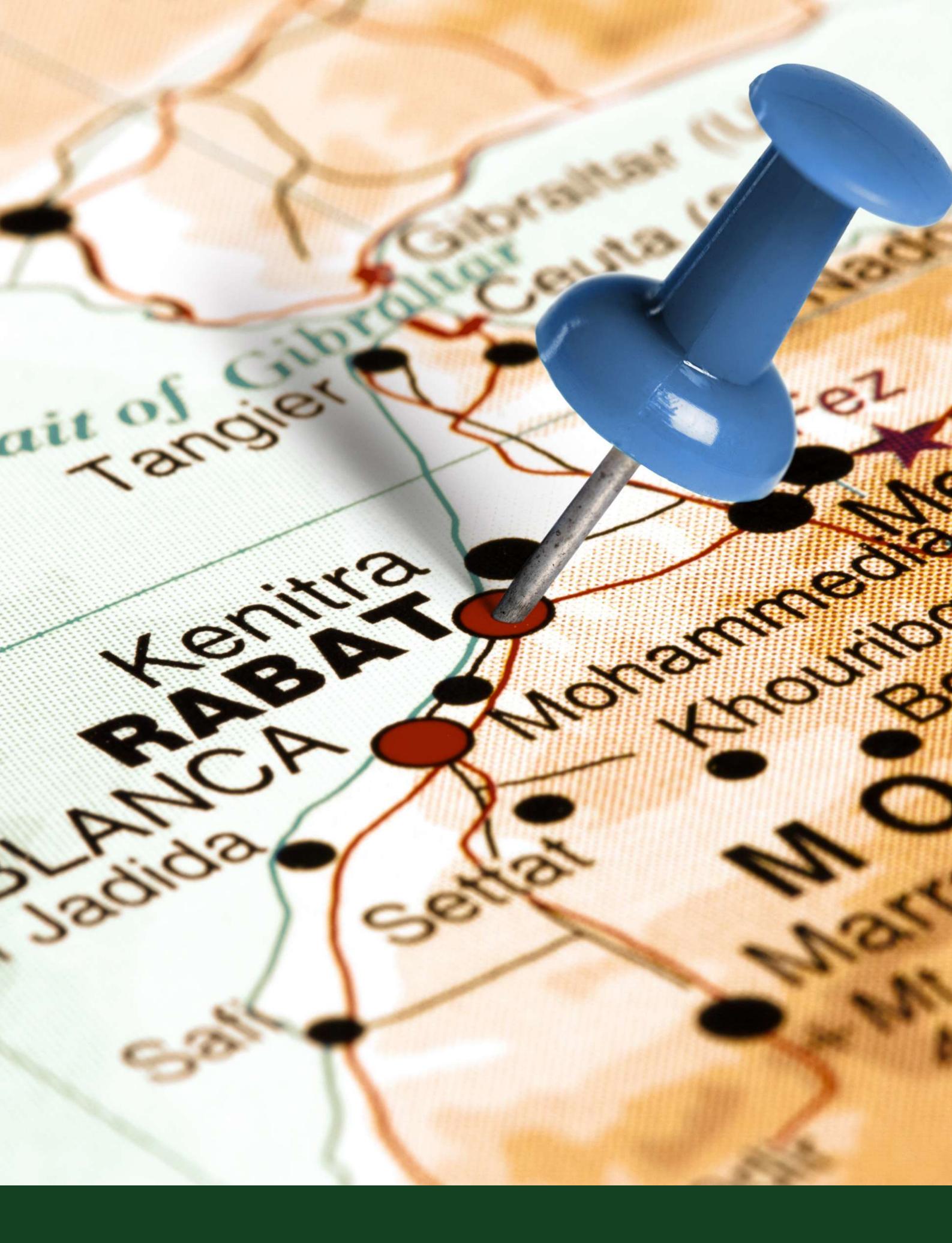
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