

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO JERBA ISLAND RESORT AREA, TUNISIA

LOCATION: Jerba Island lies in the Mediteranean just offshore of southeastern Tunisia. It is connected to the mainland of Africa by a causeway that dates back to Roman times. The island is a popular tourist destination with Europeans, especially during the winter months when its sunny skies and mild temperatures offer an appealing contrast to the European weather at that time. Elevations are everywhere close to sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:11	10:57	11:58	13:01	13:55	14:22	14:11	13:25	12:25	11:23	10:27	9:57
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	6:51	7:33	7:57	8:47	9:57	10:36	12:04	11:21	9:15	7:58	7:09	6:37
AREA OF BLUE SKY	58%	58%	57%	58%	60%	69%	84%	81%	68%	58%	57%	58%
LOW FOR MONTH	39 °	42 °	44 °	49 °	54 °	61 °	66 °	68 °	65 °	57 °	46 °	43 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	48 °	49 °	52 °	56 °	62 °	68 °	72 °	74 °	71 °	65 °	57 °	51 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	60 °	63 °	67 °	71 °	78 °	83 °	89 °	90 °	86 °	79 °	70 °	63 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	69 °	74 °	83 °	88 °	96 °	101 °	105 °	103 °	100 °	93 °	81 °	71 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	1%	4%	11%	22%	41%	45%	24%	10%	1%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	54%	50%	48%	47%	47%	48%	44%	47%	52%	52%	52%	55%
NEARBY WATERS	60 °	59 °	59 °	61 °	64 °	71 °	76 °	78 °	76 °	74 °	70 °	63 °
DRY DAYS	88%	89%	88%	90%	94%	95%	99%	99%	91%	86%	87%	88%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	93%	94%	95%	95%	99%	99%	99%	99%	96%	91%	92%	93%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.16	0.14	0.12	0.09	0.03	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.16	0.36	0.20	0.20
SNOWY DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
THUNDER DAYS	5%	5%	4%	3%	4%	6%	2%	4%	10%	12%	9%	6%
FOGGY DAYS	3%	4%	4%	3%	4%	4%	7%	6%	5%	4%	3%	3%

COMMENTS: The area has a desert version of the standard Mediterranean climate with its winter rain and summer drought. Here, on the edge of the Sahara, the winter rains don't amount to much and the summer drought is dry indeed. August, the warmest month, features almost continuous sunshine, moderate humidities (it is an island), and hot to very hot afternoons. Nights are warm and quite humid. January, the coolest month, still has sunshine on two-thirds of the daylight hours, the same moderate humidities, and cool to mild afternoons. Nights are quite chilly. What rain does fall is usually showers from the fringes of frontal systems that sweep across southern Europe and the Mediterranean. All-day rains are almost unknown. Spring is merely a gradual lengthening and warming of the days. Autumn does not occur, since winter is presumed to start abruptly from summer with the first major rains of October.