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Unlike some countries which can't seem to remember where theire name came from, the name Algeria was derived from the city name Algiers, and from the Arabic word al-jazae (the islands). The islands refer to the four islands that were just of the coast off the city of Algiers, until they became part of the mainland in 1525.

Most of the Algeria is coastal area which is hilly, often times even mountainous. This terrain makes for few good harbours. Just south of the coast there is an area known as the Tell, which is extremely fertile land. The Atlas mountains are further south, and even further south is the Sahara desert. Some of Algeria's main cities are: Oran, Algiers and Constantine.

Algeria's climate is extremely hot. Humid at the coats and dry the further inland you travel. Although the climate on the coast is mild, the winters in the

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mountainous areas can be incredibly severe. Algeria is a very vulernarable country to sirocco, which is a hot dust and sand wind that can rip through the country in the summer.

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