Experience West Africa

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DESTINATION: GHANA

Formerly known as the Gold Coast, Ghana is renowned for being the first country in Africa to gain independence. Famous for its friendly people and rich, colorful culture, Ghana is often referred to as the ‘Gateway to Africa’. Ghana is certainly a wonderful first port of call as it embodies so many of the great things Africa has to offer.
DESTINATION: COTE D’IVOIRE

Often called the “Jewel of West Africa”, Côte d’Ivoire is on the brink of reclaiming its past reputation for being the most exotic and sophisticated country in West Africa. With its largest city, Abidjan, offering an array of exciting things to do (sidewalk cafés, Marqui restaurants, Jazz clubs and festivals, national parks, museums and sea side resorts, this city is a favorite getaway for West African jet-setters.
DESTINATION: GAMBIA

Gambia became independent in 1962 with Jawara as the Prime Minister although the head of the British Monarchy remained as titular head of state. The country’s territory is determined by the Gambia River that flows into the Atlantic Ocean, dividing Gambia’s coastline into two. Gambia has six national park reserves.
Destination: Senegal

Senegal is home to Dakar and Saint Louis, two culturally dynamic and cosmopolitan cities. Senegal is also known for its wildlife parks including Parc National du Niokolokoba, Parc National aux Oiseaux du Djoudj and Parc National de la Langue de Barbarie. The country’s coastline boasts of beautiful sandy beaches, modern hotels, and tempting cuisine, such as Tieboudienne (fish and rice), Senegal's national dish.
Known as Dahomey when it was a French colony, the nation of Benin gained its independence in 1960. Its population (7.5 million) is made up of several ethnic groups, the dominant ones being the Fon, Adja, Yoruba, Dendi and Bariba. Benin is famous for being the homeland of African traditional religion and for Ganvie, the amazing village built on stilts over Lake Nokoue.
DESTINATION: TOGO

Togo received its name from the village now known as Togoville. Togolese people are made up predominantly of the Ewe tribe. Other tribes include the Twi speaking people of Central Togo, the Kabyé and the Tamberma. Togo is often noted for its beautiful countryside. This picturesque, mountainous country is one of the smallest countries in the region but is very diverse in both geography and culture.
Akwaaba! (Welcome to Ghana!), the heart of West Africa. We invite you to join us on an unforgettable journey into a rich land in history, tradition and culture. Ghana’s history spans almost 2000 years, back to the riches of the ancient Ghanaian Empire. Abundant trade in gold, ivory, salt and kolanuts between Ghana and other African nations eventually drew Europeans to the shores of the country, then known as the Gold Coast.
From the legendary Ashanti Kingdom to the vibrant streets of Accra, you will find virgin beaches, bustling markets and many historical sites. In Ghana, you will appreciate exquisite arts and crafts and experience traditional drumming and dancing that will touch your very soul. Come relax and enjoy Ghana’s culture, beauty and warmth.
Ghana Cultural Tour
(10 days)

Day 1: Arrive in Accra
Airport to hotel, drinks and orientation

Day 2: Accra City Tour
W.E.B. Dubois Center, Independence Square, Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park, Osu Castle, Art Center, ‘Chop Bar’ Ghanaian Lunch

Day 3: Cape Coast & Elmina Castles
Slave castles/dungeons, West African Historical Museum, Elmina Harbor, Landscapes

Day 4: Kakum National Park & Posuban
Denkyira Kingdom, tropical rainforest, canopy walkway, flora & fauna, Posuban Military Shrine

Day 5: Kumasi City Tour
Ashanti Kingdom, Manhyia Palace, National Cultural Center, Prempeh II Jubilee Museum, Pottery/brass/batik studios
Day 6: Ashanti Crafts Villages
Ahwiaa (wood carvers’ village), Ntonso (home of Adinkra), Bonwire (Kente weaving village), artisans

Day 7: Akosombo
Landscapes, Akosombo Dam

Day 8: Volta River Boat Cruise
Akosombo Port, Lake Volta (largest man made lake in the world), mountainous landscapes, live Highlife music.

Day 9: Naming Ceremony/ Shai Hills
Torgome Village, drumming and dancing, traditional African naming, pottery making, Shai Hills wildlife and terrain

Day 10: Farewell Accra
Breakfast, leisure, shopping, hotel to airport
TRAVEL TIP

It is always expected that customers bargain with vendors of an item for an appropriate price (a few exceptions include food items and anything with the price noted on it). It is the culture so do not feel awkward about it!
ALWAYS BARGAIN IN WEST AFRICA
Northern Eco Adventure
(10 Days)

Visit the most noted rainforest in West Africa, Kakum National Park, and experience the spectacular views of the rainforest as you cross the 100 foot high canopy walkway (one of 5 in the world). The park is a prime location for birdwatching (species like the African Hornbill).
You will also visit Aburi Botanical Gardens in the Akwapim Mountains and Shai Hills to view West Africa’s savannah animals: antelopes, bushbucks, kobs, baboons and monkeys.
Northern Eco Adventure (10 Days)

Day 1: Arrive in Accra
Airport to hotel, drinks and orientation

Day 2: Accra City Tour
W.E.B. Dubois Center, Independence Square, Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park, Osu Castle, Art Center, ‘Chop Bar’ Ghanaian Lunch

Day 3: Kumasi City Tour
Ashanti Kingdom, Manhyia Palace, National Cultural Center, Prempeh II Jubilee Museum, Potting/brass/batik studios

Day 4: Kintampo Waterfalls
Waterfalls, nature, landscapes

Day 5: Mole Gamepark/Mognori Eco Village
Elephants, antelope, waterbucks, warthogs, baboons, village culture, cultural performance, food, shea butter
**Day 6: Mole -> Kumasi**
Leisure, hotel

**Day 7: Ashanti Crafts Villages**
Ahwiaa (wood carvers’ village), Ntonso (home of Adinkra), Bonwire (Kente weaving village), artisans

**Day 8: Cape Coast & Elmina Castles**
Slave castles/dungeons, West African Historical Museum, Elmina Harbor, Landscapes

**Day 9: Kakum National Park**
Tropical rainforest, canopy walkway, flora & fauna

**Day 10: Farewell Accra**
Breakfast, leisure, shopping, hotel to airport
VOLTA ADVENTURE ADD-ON (2 DAYS)

On this two day adventure you will conquer the heights of Mount Afadjato (the highest mountain in West Africa), view the verdant terrain below and swim in the sparkling waters of the breathtaking Wli Waterfalls.

Day 1: Mt. Afadjato
Day 2: Wli Waterfalls
If you would prefer to use public transportation instead of a rental, then taxis are definitely the way to go. There are multiple options, including buses and ‘tro tros’ (minivans) but taxis will get you where you need to go with minimal fuss.
TAXIS ARE FASTEST
Ghana x Togo x Benin (10 days)

If you have less than two weeks to spend and want to have a comprehensive experience in West Africa, this is the tour to take. You will enjoy anglophone Ghana and francophone Togo and Benin. Between Ghana and Benin lies Togo, where you will visit the Grande Marche and Marche des Feticheurs (fetish market). On this tour you will experience diverse culture and feel the warmth of the people of these exotic countries.
One of the highlights in Benin is a visit to Ganvie, the village built on stilts over Lake Nokoue. Ganvie is referred to as the Venice of Africa and you will be mesmerized as you watch market women row their dugout canoes piled high with goods. You will witness the locals shopping on a floating market and watch as fishermen skillfully throw their nets into Lake Nokoue.
Ghana x Togo x Benin
(10 Days)

Day 1: Arrive in Accra
Airport to hotel, drinks and orientation

Day 2: Accra City Tour
W.E.B. Dubois Center, Independence Square, Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park, Osu Castle, Art Center, ‘Chop Bar’ Ghanaian Lunch

Day 3: Kakum National Park/Cape Coast Castle
Tropical rainforest, canopy walkway, flora & fauna, Slave castles/dungeons, West African Historical Museum, Landscapes

Day 4: Kumasi City Tour
Ashanti Kingdom, Manhyia Palace, National Cultural Center, Prempeh II Jubilee Museum, Potting/brass/batik studios

Day 5: Ashanti Crafts Villages
Ahwiaa(wood carvers’ village), Ntonso(home of Adinkra), Bonwire(Kente weaving village), artisans
**Day 6: Accra -> Lome (Togo)**
Grande Marche, Marche des Fiticheurs, Musee National, Place de l’Independence

**Day 7: Ouidah**
Sacred python, sacred forest, Museum of Ouidah, Port of No Return, Dahomey Empire

**Day 8: Ganvie/Cotonou**
Floating market, dugout canoes

**Day 9: Cotonou -> Accra**
Leisure, hotel

**Day 10: Farewell Accra**
Breakfast, leisure, shopping, hotel to airport
If you are coming from a region where the electrical sockets are 110volts (i.e. USA) you will need to make sure your adapters for all of your appliances (phones, computers etc.) can take 220volts as this is the voltage all West African countries use.
220VOLT FOR EVERYTHING!
Landtours Ghana Limited is a full service destination management company that has over 20 years of experience. We are headquartered in Ghana and operate in seven other West African countries; Senegal, Gambia, Togo, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cote d’Ivoire, and Sao Tome & Principe.

We use knowledge, expertise and creativity to produce highly successful tours for our clients and our raving reviews speak for themselves.

Be sure to get in touch with us to plan your next great adventure. We look forward to working with you and seizing the opportunity to show you the best of Ghana and West Africa!
Ghana x Cote d’Ivoire
(10 Days)

Ghana and Cote d’Ivoire are in many ways sister countries. The Akan people make up the largest ethnic group in both countries. Come and enjoy the sightseeing with the warm and friendly cultures of five unique cities; Accra, Kumasi, Cape Coast, Elmina and Abidjan.
You will witness various historical and iconic landmarks in this francophone country such as the Basilica of ‘Our Lady of Peace of Yamoussoukro’, the Cote d’Ivoire National Museum of costume and even tour the colonial city of Grand-Bassam.
Ghana x Cote d’Ivoire (10 Days)

Day 1: Arrive in Accra
Airport to hotel, drinks and orientation

Day 2: Accra City Tour
W.E.B. Dubois Center, Independence Square, Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park, Osu Castle, Art Center, ‘Chop Bar’ Ghanaian Lunch

Day 3: Kumasi City Tour
Ashanti Kingdom, Manhyia Palace, National Cultural Center, Prempeh II Jubilee Museum, Pottery/brass/batik studios

Day 4: Ashanti Crafts Villages
Ahwiaa (wood carvers’ village), Ntonso (home of Adinkra), Bonwire (Kente weaving village), artisans

Day 5: Cape Coast & Elmina Castles
Slave castles/dungeons, West African Historical Museum, Elmina Harbor, Landscapes
Day 6: Kakum National Park & Posuban
Denkyira Kingdom, tropical rainforest, canopy walkway, flora & fauna, Posuban Military Shrine

Day 7: Elmina -> Abidjan (Cote d’Ivoire)
Grand-Bassam, Cote d’Ivoire National Museum of Costume

Day 8: Abidjan City Tour
Public zoo, Musee National of Abidjan, Trenchville Market

Day 9: Yamoussoukro
Basilica of ‘Our Lady of Peace of Yamoussoukro’, presidential palace, crocodiles

Day 10: Farewell Abidjan
Breakfast, leisure, shopping, hotel to airport
Benin/Togo/Cote d’Ivoire/Senegal currency = West African Franc (CFA).
Ghana currency = Ghana Cedi (GHC).
Sao Tome & Principe currency = Sao Tome & Principe Dobra (STD).
Gambia currency = Dalasi (GMD).

The easiest/best way to change money is at the forex bureaus.
CHANGE
MONEY
AT THE
FOREX
BUREAU
Senegal x Gambia (10 Days)

This tour looks to awaken your senses to the beautiful and multicultural uniqueness of Senegal and Gambia. While in Senegal/Gambia you will be introduced to the rich culture and history these two countries have to offer. Visit Goree Island which has been designated a world heritage site by UNESCO. There you will discover the Museum Maison des Eclaves (Slaves’ House), which was used as a slaving station and was one of the first French Settlements on the continent.
Another highlight of this tour is a visit to a little village in Gambia called Juffure. Made famous in the bestselling book ‘Roots’, Juffure is the ancestral home of the African American author Alex Haley, a descendant of Kunta Kinte.
Senegal x Gambia
(10 Days)

Day 1: Arrive in Dakar
Airport to hotel, drinks and orientation

Day 2: Goree Island
Museum Maison des Enclaves (Slaves’ House),
town square, Historical Museum, University of Dakar, Senegalese Cuisine

Day 3: Dakar City Tour
Independence square, African architecture,
Kernel Market, Palais Presidentiel, Anse Bernard Beach, Soweto Square, Sandanga Market,
Soumedioune

Day 4: Banjul City Tour
National Museum of Gambia, Albert Market,
Old Town, craft market

Day 5: Juffure Village
Alex Haley, Roots, Kunta Kinte, Albreda Village,
the ‘Factory’
Day 6: Gambia River
Bird sanctuaries, Mandingo Villages, naming ceremony

Day 7: St. Louis
City tour, horse-drawn carriage

Day 8: Djoudj National Bird Sanctuary
Wetland habitats, thousands of pelicans

Day 9: Pink Lake/Kayar
Lac Rose, Retba, camel ride, dune buggy, donkey-drawn buggies, fishermen, dugout pirogues (canoes)

Day 10: Farewell Dakar
Breakfast, leisure, shopping, hotel to airport
TRAVEL TIP

As a tropical region, West Africa usually has temperatures between 21C-32C (70F-97F). At certain times of the year the temperature can be even higher. It is important to travel with appropriate clothing/protection e.g. light cotton clothes, sunscreen lotion, sunglasses, hats etc.
IT’S HOT. ALWAYS.
Archaeological Tour
(16 Days)

Explore both the ancient history and ever-evolving cultural identity of the people of Ghana, Togo and Benin. Traveling from the savannah to lush forests, you will tour Royal Palaces, marvel at the might of the Akan and Ashanti peoples, the Temberman of Togo and the Fon people of Benin.
Visit ingenious mud-brick architecture UNESCO sites of Besease, Cape Coast, Elmina, Abomey and Ganvie, A fascinating trip to an often overlooked part of the world.
ARCHAEOLOGICAL TOUR (16 DAYS)

DAY 1: ACCRA CITY TOUR
Archaeological museum, Brazil house, Tabom People, Kwame Nkrumah Museum

DAY 2: CAPE COAST & ELMINA CASTLES
Slave castles/dungeons, West African Historical Museum, Elmina Harbor, Landscapes

DAY 3: ELMINA WALKING TOUR
Dutch houses, posuban

DAY 4: ASHANTI SHRINES/CRAFT VILLAGES
Kejetia Market, Besease and AtiaKusia Kwame shrines, Ntonso, Adanwomase, Pankrono, Awhia

DAY 5: MONKEY SANCTUARY/KINTAMPO WATERFALLS
Boabeng Fiema Monkey Sanctuary, Kintampo Waterfalls, Landscapes

DAY 6: MOLE GAMEPARK/TRADITIONAL MOSQUES
Elephants, antelope, Larabanga mosques, Wa mosques

DAY 7: TRADITIONAL HEALERS
Lawra music, Gwollu wall, Najiriwia healers

DAY 8: PAINTED HOUSES
Sirigu Village, Navrongo, Paga Pia’s Palace, Cathedral of Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows
Day 9: Traditional Architecture
Tongo, Tallensi people, ancestral shrines,
Wulugu, Zayaa Mosque,

Day 10: Bandgeli Traditional Village (Togo)
Ore mining, Chief & family

Day 11: Tamberma
Tamberma Valley, Battamariba, Koutammakou

Day 12: Weaving Cooperatives (Benin)
Ouake, Bafilo, Islamic Villages, landscapes

Day 13: Royal Palace of Abomey (Benin)
12 kings, King Ghezo, King Glele, Historical
Museum of Abomey, Porto Novo, Museum of
Ethnography

Day 14: Voodoo Ceremony Ouiday (Benin)
Ouidah, Vodun, alters & temples, Temple of the
Pythons, Door of No Return

Day 15: Ganvie
Venice of Africa, Lake Noukue, houses on stilts
Passports can be obtained from your local federal building and should be done 3 months before your departure date. Visas should be obtained 2 months before your departure date. Using a visa service is recommendable.
GET A VISA EARLY
Sao Tome & Principe Getaway (5 Days)

São Tomé is a Portuguese-speaking island country in the Gulf of Guinea right off the coast of Africa. It is situated just north of the equator and is the smallest Portuguese-speaking country in the world. This is a perfect getaway destination for the family and loved ones to relax and enjoy the wonderful scenery and culture.
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Sao Tome & Principe Getaway (5 Days)

Day 1: Arrive in Sao Tome

Day 2: Pestana Equador
Ponta Beleia, Rolas Island, Pestana Equador

Day 3: Pestana Equador
Pestana Equador

Day 4: Pestana Equador
Ponta Beleia, Rolas Island, Pestana Equador

Day 5: Farewell Sao Tome
TRAVEL TIP

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In West Africa the phones use the GSM system so if you want to get a local phone number you will have to buy a GSM chip (not all phones can use GSM chips). You can get a chip from any number of cellular network providers for under $5.
PHONES ARE GSM IN WEST AFRICA
Ghana x Burkina Faso
(14 days)

Burkina Faso has gone by several names. A former French colony, it gained independence in 1960. It is populated by over 60 ethnic groups which include the Mossi, Fula, Hausa, Bella, Dogon and various Bobo tribes. In conjunction with Ghana, this two country tour is fashioned for the adventurous at heart.
During your visit to Burkina’s charming capital city of Ouagadougou, admire the Sudanic and Islamic influences, meet the Mossi people and learn about their incredible horse culture as you witness the Nabyius Gou ceremony. Visit Bobo Diolasso to explore how traditional life is lived in Ouagadougou’s countryside.
Ghana x Burkina Faso
(14 DAYS)

DAY 1: ARRIVE IN OUAGADOUGOU
Airport to hotel, drinks and orientation

DAY 2: OUAGADOUGOU CITY TOUR
Art village

DAY 3: AFRICAN FRESCOS
Gurunsi people, fresco paintings

DAY 4: DANCING MASKS
Bobo-Bwa masks

DAY 5: BOBO CITY TOUR
Fadebougou domes, Kerfieguela waterfalls

DAY 6: LANDSCAPES: SINDOU AND LOROPENI
Gold mining, caravans, Obire, Gan Dynasty

DAY 7: FORTIFIED VILLAGES
Lobi people, statue carving, Gaoua Museum, Madeleine Père

DAY 8: TIEBEL AND BOLGATANGA
Mud pie huts
Day 9: Navorongo
Kassena, Navorongo Church, Sudanese banco architecture

Day 10: Kintampo Waterfalls
Waterfalls, nature, landscapes

Day 11: Kumasi City Tour
Ashanti Kingdom, Manhyia Palace, National Cultural Center, Prempeh II Jubilee Museum, Potting/brass/batik studios

Day 12: Elmina
Dutch houses, posuban, slave castles, fishing village

Day 13: Kakum Gamepark/Fort St. George
Tropical rainforest, canopy walkway, flora & fauna

Day 14: Accra City Tour
W.E.B. Dubois Center, Independence Square, Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park, Osu Castle, Art Center, ‘Chop Bar’ Ghanaian Lunch