



AFRICAN CONNECTIONS
"Your Gateway to Africa"

PANAFEST

African Heritage Tour

July 23rd – August 2nd 2025
(11 Days)



Only \$3,699 per person

Space is limited.

Pay \$250 to reserve your Spot

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PANAFEST is a cultural event dedicated to the enhancement of the ideals of Pan Africanism and the development of the African continent.

PANAFEST is a biennial cultural festival of art and culture attended by people of African descent who convene in Ghana from all over the African continent and the Diaspora to celebrate the music, art and theatre of the African experience.



The recurring theme of **PANAFEST** is
“The Re-Emergence of African Civilization.”

The theme for **PANAFEST** 2023 was
“Reclaiming the African Family: Confronting the Past to Face the Challenges of the 21st Century.”



Our PANAFEST TOUR includes participation in exciting PANAFEST ceremonies and activities including the Grand Durbar of Chiefs, a festival of colorful costumes, traditional dancing, drumming and cultural displays.

Go into the slave dungeons and participate in the Candlelight Vigil to honor our ancestors.

Participate in a traditional naming ceremony, where you get your African name.

Celebrate our culture and the resilience of the African family with musicals, dancing, drumming, dramatic performances and so much more.



Tour Highlights:

Our tour includes visits to several unique cities in Ghana including Accra, Ghana's vibrant and cosmopolitan capital, Kumasi, the famous capital of the Asante Empire and its surrounding towns and villages, and Cape Coast, and Elmina in the historic Central Region.

DAY 1-3:

Accra, the capital city of Ghana.

Visit Independence Square (where Ghanaians celebrate the nation's Independence Day each year); and stand under Black Star Square which is a monument to the Black Star of Ghana, which Dr. Kwame Nkrumah, Ghana's first Prime Minister adopted in tribute to Marcus Garvey.



Visit the Kwame Nkrumah Mausoleum, which is the final resting place of the first President of Ghana and one of Africa's most renowned Statesmen and



Pan-Africanists; and the W.E.B. DuBois Memorial Center for Pan-African Culture, which is a research library and gallery containing the invaluable manuscripts of W.E.B. DuBois.



Visit Ghana's National Museum housing an exciting collection of exhibits showcasing Ghana's culture and history from pre-historic times to the present.



Drive through the commercial districts of Accra and see the amazing development and growth of Accra. Stop at points of interest as we crisscross through Accra, one of the most vibrant and exciting cities in Africa.



While in Accra, enjoy an evening of entertainment and fun at our Akwaaba (Welcome) Dinner Buffet with Cultural Dance and Drumming Performances



DAY 4-6:

We tour Kumasi, and its surrounding Towns.

Tour Members will have the opportunity to explore the capital city of the ancient Asante Kingdom and its surrounding towns and villages.

Visit Manhyia Palace, the traditional home of the Asantehene “the king of kings,” the king of all the Asante.



While at Manhyia Palace, visit the Museum, which is filled with countless relics and artifacts that highlight the richness of the history and culture of the Asante people.

Stop for photos at the Okomfo Anokye Monument, dedicated to the traditional priest who “conjured” from the skies the famous Golden Stool that unified the Asante people.



Browse through the National Center for Culture, see Artisans at work and browse through the shops filled with brass items, batik cloth, wood pieces, artwork, and pottery.



Visit the woodcarving village of Ahwiaa where you will see craftsmen carving wood masterpieces; Ntonso, famous for its kente and adinkra cloth; and Adamawoase, one of the most popular kente weaving villages.



Participate in Traditional Naming Ceremony:

Participate in a Traditional Naming Ceremony, where each tour member will be given a traditional Asante name based on his/her day of birth and welcomed into his/her "adopted" family with dance and celebration.



DAY 7-10:

We tour the Central Region and participate in PANAFEST

Participate in a Ceremony of Remembrance at “Slave River” where Enslaved Africans were forced to wash after their long march, which could take as much as six months, from as far away as what is now Nigeria to the coast of Ghana.



We will have a guided tour through Elmina Slave Dungeon and Cape Coast Slave Dungeons, infamous as the places where the largest number of enslaved Africans were housed before shipment to the Americas.



PANAFEST EVENTS include

The Grand Durbar of Chiefs and Queens

The colorful Grand Durbar of Chiefs is an unforgettable display of pageantry, with dancing, drumming and traditional ceremonies to honor the chiefs, elders, and ancestors.



Reverential Night Ceremonies

Participate in the Candlelight procession and Reverential Night ceremonies that will take place inside the Cape Coast Slave Dungeons, with dramatic re-enactments of the brutality and torment faced daily by those enslaved and warehoused in Cape Coast Slave Dungeon, as well as prayers, remembrance, and silent reflection.



Examples of hotels we use:

- La-Palm Royal Beach Hotel in Accra



- Lancaster Kumasi City (formerly known as the Golden Tulip) in Kumasi



- Coconut Grove Beach Resort in Elmina



Don't miss the Excitement!

For the time of your life, experience Ghana!

Our Tour Package Includes:



Double/Twin Accommodation in 3-4 Star Hotels



Breakfast Daily



Welcome Dinner with Cultural Performances



Experienced Driver



Transportation throughout on comfortable air- conditioned bus



Traditional Naming Ceremony



Knowledgeable English-Speaking Tour Guide



Entry Fees to all sites visited



VIP Admission to PANAFEST events



Expert tour management and destination support throughout your visit.



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