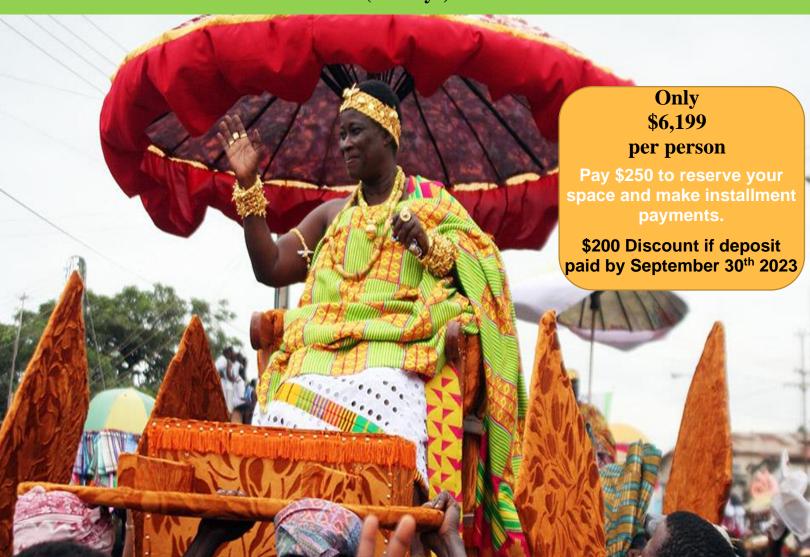
Go to Ghana with AFRICAN CONNECTIONS

A leader in Africa travel for over 20 years PREPARE TO BE AMAZED!!!!

June 18th – 29th 2024
(12 Days)



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Tour Highlights:

This **all-inclusive 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, Ho and Hohoe, in the Volta Region, and Cape Coast, and Elmina in the historic Central Region.

Our tour includes participation in the Akwasidae Festival, one of the most colorful and exciting traditional festivals in all of Africa. This festival is an unforgettable experience. Have your cameras ready! This tour also includes participation in a traditional Naming Ceremony where tour members will get their African name.

Our tour also includes opportunities to experience nightlife in Ghana. From the jazz clubs, Reggae clubs, or other musical immersions, prepare to dance the night away at one of Ghana's unique night spots.

The tour also includes visits to nature reserves that will allow you to see some of Ghana's most beautiful waterfalls and nature spots. View exotic wildlife from zebras, monkeys, baboons, tropical birds and so much!!

This all-inclusive tour includes all meals, including Welcome Buffet Dinner and Departure Buffet Dinner; entertainment options nightly, including traditional African dance and drumming displays, jazz and other nightclub options; Beach Party on one of Ghana's most beautiful beaches, with D.J., bonfire and dancing under the stars; entry fees to nature parks and all other sites visited; Traditional Naming Ceremony, where you will get your African Name; participation in one of the most colorful festivals in Africa, where you will witness the celebrations and ceremonies, dancing and drumming, and traditional festivities that will make this a day you will always remember; and a lunch cruise on the beautiful Volta Lake.

You will stay at deluxe hotels throughout your stay in Ghana and travel in a comfortable air-conditioned bus.

Your tour package also includes concierge services that will help you before you travel as you prepare for your journey and provide you with comprehensive tour management services throughout your stay in Ghana.

Our staff is led by African Americans who have lived and worked in Ghana for over 20 years. Our knowledgeable staff will help you prepare for your trip and they will be with you each day of your stay in Ghana.





DAY 1-3: Accra, the capital city of Ghana and Shai Hills Nature Reserve:

Visit to Jamestown, one of the oldest districts in the city of Accra and a stop used by slave traders moving their human "cargo" from points of capture to the slave dungeons on the coasts of Ghana.

See Christiansburg Castle (Former fort and slave dungeon and until recently, the official residence of the President of Ghana); and Jubilee House which is now the official residence and office of the President of Ghana.







Visit Ghana's National Museum, which houses the largest and oldest of Ghana's six museums. It originally opened in 1957 as part of Ghana's Independence celebrations and houses an exciting collection of exhibits showcasing Ghana's culture and history from pre-historic times to the present.







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, 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 containing the personal papers and invaluable manuscripts of W.E.B. DuBois.











Drive through the commercial districts of Accra and see the amazing development and growth of Accra; and 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 with Cultural Dance and Drumming Performances.







Each night while in Ghana, enjoy other entertainment options including jazz clubs, dance clubs and more!





Visit to Shai Hills Reserve

Shai Hills Resource Reserve is the natural habitat of Baboons, green monkeys, antelopes, zebras, numerous tropical mammals, reptiles and over 172 bird species. Explore the reserve accompanied by an experienced park guide with vast knowledge of the people and culture of the Shai tribe as well as all the intricacies of each animal species you will see.



Days 4-5: Explore the Volta Region. Our tour includes:

Visit to the Tafi Atome Monkey Sanctuary situated in a lush indigenous tropical forest. Explore the Agumatsa Wildlife Sanctuary, a lush tropical forest containing hundreds of exotic birds and over 400 species of butterflies, monkeys and antelopes; and experience Wili Falls, a magnificent waterfall that will invite you to jump in.

















Days 6-8: Volta Lake Cruise, Participate in the Akwasidae Festival and tour Kumasi, and its Surrounding Towns.

Before leaving the scenic Volta Region, we will indulge ourselves with a lunch cruise on the Volta Lake, one of the largest man-made lakes in the world. Enjoy the beautiful panoramic views while you cruise in the open waters and enjoy a leisurely lunch.







After our lunch cruise, we will leave the Volta Region and travel to Kumasi, capital city of the ancient Asante empire.

In Kumasi, members will have the opportunity to witness the amazing Akwasidae Festival, one of the most important and historically significant festivals in all of Africa. The Akwasidae rituals and events honor the ancestors and allow Asante chiefs and their subjects to pay homage to the Asantehene, "the king of kings," the king of all of 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.







See the famous sword that Okomfo Anokye drove into the ground in the 1700's which until this day cannot be pulled out. You will have time to explore the National Center for Culture and see Artisans at work and browse through the shops filled with beautiful and unique 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.







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.

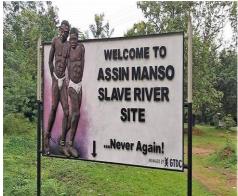






Days 9-12: We tour the Central Region. Our tour includes:

Stop at Assin Manso to participate in a Ceremony of Remembrance at "Slave River". We will have guided tours through the Elmina Slave Dungeon and the Cape Coast Slave Dungeons, infamous as the places where the largest number of enslaved Africans were housed before shipment to the Americas.

















After the tour and lunch, we will return to the hotel for a relaxing evening of fun and entertainment, including our Departure Dinner with Cultural Performances, culminating with music, dancing, and a bonfire on the beach.























Package Includes:

- Roundtrip economy airfare from Detroit
- Twin/double Hotel Accommodation
- All meals
- Daily Entertainment and nightlife options
- Traditional African dancing and drumming displays
- Visits to wildlife and nature parks
- Traditional Naming Ceremony
- Lunch Cruise on Volta Lake

- Participation in Traditional African Festival
- Comfortable air-conditioned bus
- Experienced, Licensed Driver
- Airport Transfers
- Knowledgeable Tour Guides
- Entry Fees to all sites visited
- Expert tour management and destination support throughout your journey.

Single room upgrade: \$700

Examples of hotels we use:

- La-Palm Royal Beach, Accra
- Coconut Grove Beach Hotel, Elmina
- Lancaster Kumasi City Hotel (formerly the Golden Tulip)
- Volta Serene, Ho













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