



## Ghana, Togo, Benin - 14 days (#903)

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### Trip Highlights

Ghana - Togo - Benin : Accra, Elmina, Kumasi, Tamale, Kara, Natitingou, Abomey, Ouidah, Ada

### Detailed Itinerary

#### Day 01

#### DAY 1: Arrival Accra

Upon arrival at Kotoka International Airport, our representative from GGTS meets group and transfer to the hotel. After lunch, we visit the Artistes Alliances Art Gallery and the famous coffin makers of Nungua (Paa Joe).

Enjoy dinner to a welcome cultural performance. Overnight stay at the hotel.

**Hotel:** Labadi Beach Hotel - Standard Room



**Day 02****DAY 2: Elmina**

After breakfast at the Hotel. Start the day with an Accra city tour through to the Arts Centre for National Culture, the Kwame Nkrumah Mausoleum.

After lunch at the National Museum, we set off for the Central region through Anomabo with overnight stay at the hotel.

**Hotel:** Ridge Royal Hotel - Standard Room

**Day 03****DAY 3: Elmina**

After breakfast at the Hotel . Visit the Cape Coast Castle a fortress that was built by the Swedes in 1653, seized by the Danes and later conquered by the British.

Also visit the Elmina Castle built in 1482 by the Portuguese, they are the best-preserved castles in Ghana and declared as UNESCO World Heritage sites. Both castles are located in thriving fishing ports where hundreds of huge wooden fishing canoes are anchored. Also visit the Asafo Companies and the Elmina fish market. Have dinner followed by a cultural performance. Over night stay at the hotel.

**Hotel:** Ridge Royal Hotel - Standard Room

**Day 04****DAY 4: Kumasi**

After breakfast at the hotel visit the Kakum National Park comprising undisturbed virgin rainforest for a walking tour on the canopy walkway, also the longest and highest of its kind in the West Africa.

The forest provides an opportunity to see much of Ghana's indigenous plant life, as well as rare butterflies, birds and other forms of wildlife. We stop over at Hans Botel, a resort partly built on stilts on a river with crocodiles, lots of bird life and monkeys.

Set off for Kumasi, where we first visit the world famous Black and White Power Shrine of the master priest Nana Abbas to observe activities in preparation for the upcoming Akwasidae. Overnight stay at the hotel.

**Hotel:** Golden Tulip Kumasi City Hotel - Standard Room



**Day 05****DAY 5: Kumasi**

After breakfast at the hotel start the day with a visit to the Manhyiah Palace seat of the Ashanti Kingdom.

Join in the Akwasidae celebration - a gathering of Chiefs and people of the Asanteman. Group can meet and greet the Asantehene and make a presentation of Schnapps.

Continue with a visit to the craft villages of Ahwiaa (wood carving) and Ntonso (Adinkra), to see traditional craftsmen apply their skills and talents. Also visit the Lake Bosomtwi, a crater lake believed to have been created by a fallen meteorite. Overnight stay at the hotel.

**Hotel:** Golden Tulip Kumasi City Hotel - Standard Room

**Day 06****DAY 6: Tamale**

After breakfast at the hotel set off for the Northern Region in the early morning with a stopover at the Kintampo Waterfalls.

En route, we also visit the Boabeng Fiema Monkey Sanctuary, where Mona and black and white Colobus monkeys are considered to be a significant part of the community. Also visit the Tano Boase Rock formation, which exhibits a variety of huge beautiful hanging and hollow rocks.

Explore the sacred groves and caves, where villagers sought refuge during slave raids and tribal wars. A hike along the trails to spot antelopes, baboons and monkeys.

Continue trip northwards to Tamale with stops at mud villages along the route. Overnight stay at the hotel.

**Hotel:** Zosimli Hotel - Standard Room

**Day 07****DAY 7: Kara**

After breakfast at the hotel visit one of the six witch camps in the Tamale, where mostly women, accused of practicing witch craft are sent to live a life in exile.

Set off for Togo. En route we visit some settlements of Dagomba and Konkomba tribes. Also meet Bassar people on the way to Togo through Yendi. Cross the border at Tatali into Togo. Continue to Kara. Overnight stay at the hotel.



**Hotel:** Hotel Kara - Standard Room

**Day 08****DAY 8: Kara**

After breakfast at the hotel visit the Tamberma-Valley with its beautiful "Tata" (miniature fortified castles built with clay). Also visit the handicraft centers of "Lossosoukala" and Kodhani. In the evening there is a chance to witness the fire dance at the village. Overnight stay at the hotel.

**Hotel:** Hotel Kara - Standard Room

**Day 09****DAY 9: Kara - Natitingou**

Breakfast at the Hotel.

Cross the border through Togo into Benin.

Experience the wild beauty of this northern territory including some ancient caves. Start the day with a visit to the Pendjari National Park, one of West Africa's surviving tropical savannas.

Take a walk through this forest to, where you have a good chance of spotting elephants, buffaloes, hippos, crocodiles, lions, warthogs, monkeys, antelopes and other exotic wildlife. Overnight stay at the hotel.

**Hotel:** Tata Somba - Standard Room

**Day 10****DAY 10: Natitingou - Abomey**

Breakfast at the Hotel

Set off to tour some of the Tata Somba miniature villages, located to the southwest in the plains of Boukoumbe.

Visit the Natitingou Museum for an interesting overview of the Somba culture, retracing the history and heritage of the Atacora civilization.

Overnight stay at the hotel.



**Hotel:** Chez Sabine Guest house - Standard Room

**Day 11****DAY 11: Abomey - Ouidah**

After breakfast at the hotel leave Bohicon through Abomey, the birthplace of voodoo to visit the Royal Palace Museum.

The day of spectacular sightseeing continues as we visit Ganvie, described as the 'Venice of Africa', with 25,000 inhabitants living in houses on stilts above the water since the 17th century.

Enjoy a possible cruise on Lake Nokoue to visit the water villages.

Continue with a city tour to include visits to the Sacred Forest (once the private residence of the first King of Ouidah) and the Temple of the Pythons, both important voodoo shrines.

By the main square, we find the imposing cathedral and the old colonial quarter. Nearby the Portuguese Fort now houses the History Museum. The exhibits focus on the slave trade and Benin consequent cultural links with Brazil and the Caribbean. Overnight stay at the hotel.

**Hotel:** Le Casa del Papa - Standard Room

**Day 12****DAY 12: Ouidah-Ada**

After breakfast at the hotel leave for Lome.

Enjoy a tour of the city, which includes the Place de l'Indépendance and the National Museum. Observe sacred voodoo shrines side by side with the city's Roman Catholic Cathedral.

Visit the Lomé central market, or Grand Marché, where pearls, baskets, pottery and sacred pieces are on display.

Cross the border into Ghana. Overnight stay at the hotel.

**Hotel:** Aqua Safari Resort - Standard Room

**Day 13****DAY 13: Ada - Accra**

Breakfast at the Hotel

Spend the day at a resort with options which include: a stroll to nearby fishing villages, a boat ride along the Volta River to visit islands on the river, water sports including jet skiing, boating, etc.

Continue trip to Accra in the late afternoon.

Have dinner to a live band performance at a beach resort.

Overnight stay at the hotel.

**Hotel:** Labadi Beach Hotel - Standard Room

## Day 14

## DAY 14: Departure Accra

Breakfast at the Hotel

Transfer to Kotoka International Airport for your onward flight

End of services.

**Hotel:** Labadi Beach Hotel - Standard Room

## Inclusions

Accommodation as per above.

Transportation to all sites in an air-conditioned vehicle by a professionally licensed driver

Meals as per program.

Activities as per program (with entrance fees).

A trained licensed English speaking tour guide will accompany the group at all times.

Ecowa's brown card for border crossing.

Visa support services for Ghana, Togo and Benin.

Cultural activities and performances.

Dinner as indicated in the programme.

## Exclusions



International Flights.  
Visa Fees, if applicable.  
Medical & Travel Insurance.  
Gratuities & Tips.  
Optional Activities.  
All expenses of personal nature.  
Early Check In & Late Check Out.  
Internal & Domestic Flights.

## Note

Optionals on requests.

### Hotels Used

Accra - Labadi Beach Hotel - Standard Room  
Elmina - Ridge Royal Hotel - Standard Room  
Kumasi - Golden Tulip Kumasi City Hotel - Standard Room  
Tamale - Zosimli Hotel - Standard Room  
Kara - Hotel Kara - Standard Room  
Natitingou - Tata Somba - Standard Room  
Abomey - Chez Sabine Guest house - Standard Room  
Ouidah - Le Casa del Papa - Standard Room  
Ada - Aqua Safari Resort - Standard Room

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## Program Touring / Guide

Private touring



## Departure Period

**21 Jan, 2023 to 31 Dec, 2024**

4 pax

AUD 9,091 P P twin share

AUD 11,806 P P single

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2 pax

AUD 12,048 P P twin share

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