Itinerary: New Feel in Ghana – 14 days

Day 1 Welcome to Accra

Arrive in Accra, Ghana. Transfer from airport to your hotel. Welcome drink and orientation. Overnight at Hotel in Accra

Day 2 Accra city tour

After breakfast depart hotel for a sightseeing city tour of Accra. We shall drive through the administrative and economic districts of Accra, the capital of Ghana. This city has a blend of colonial and modern architecture that summarize her history. We shall also drive through the British Accra and Dutch Accra suburbs the two suburbs that has their own story to tell. You will visit the W. E. B. Dubois Center for Pan African Culture, Independence/ Black Star Square and Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park. After lunch in a local Ghanaian restaurant, we will end the tour at the Arts Centre where you will have an opportunity to use your bargaining skills to shop from an open-air market for artifacts from Ghana and West Africa. Overnight at hotel in Accra.

Day 3 Akosombo

We shall explore part of eastern region of Ghana by taking a return trip to Akosombo. We shall take a scenic drive through the small towns on the Akuapim hills with stops at the Aburi carving village and Krobo Odumasi traditional beads making village. After lunch, we shall visit the Akosombo Hydro dam which construction led to the creation of the biggest artificial lake in the world. To finish our day, we shall visit some traditional villages around the volta lake. We will then driva back to Accra. Overnight in Accra.

Day 4 Kumasi

We shall take a scenic drive to the golden city of Kumasi, the seat of the Ashanti. After a few interesting stops on the way, on arrival in Kumasi, at late afternoon, We shall explore the Kejetia Market which is the open market in West Africa.

Day 5 Manhyia Palace

Our first visit after breakfast will be the Manhyia Palace which is the seat of the Ashanti Kindom where we shall be told about the history and the culture of the people. If our day coincide with the traditional court day, we may see the King sitting in state with his elders settling disputes between his people. We shall end the morning with a visit to the the Ashanti regional art and cultural centre. The afternoon will be open for personal exploration. Overnight in Kumasi

Day 6 Lake Bosumtwi

On this day, we shall take an excursion to some of the popular craft villages around Kumasi. We will visit Sokoban Kro fufromu for brassware, Ahwia wood carvers village, Ntonso the home of Adinkra and Bonwire kente weaving village. In these villages, you will have an opportunity to see how African crafts are made and you can buy directly from the artisans who make them. We will use the afternoon to relax at the banks of lake Bosomtwe, the biggest waterbody in the Ashanti Region. Overnight in Kumasi.

Day 7 Cape Coast

Transfer to Cape Coast after breakfast with a visit to Assin Manso where we will have a walk to a very small stream call Donkor Nsuo (Slave River) in which most slaves who used this route had their last bath before getting to the forts and castles on the coast for onward shipment to their new world.

Day 8 Kakum National Park/Elmina

After breakfast, we shall take an excursion to **Kakum National Park**, one of West Africa's surviving tropical rainforests. Kakum is over 360sq km and the home to over 40 large mammals and 400 bird species as well as many species of butterflies, flora and fauna. The most popular attraction is the **Canopy walkway** which is made up of seven bridges extending 360m, hanging 40m above the forest floor. Choose between a 2 km **nature walk** through this forest to discover the wide variety of exotic floral species and the medicinal values they offer or take a walk on the **canopy walkway**.

After lunch, we will visit one of the UNESCO heritage sites the Elmina Castle also known as St. Georges Castle built by the Portuguese in 1482. This castle is the first European structure built in Sub – Saharan Africa. A guided tour through this castle and the dungeons will recount the story of the slave trade which impact is felt beyond the shores of Africa today.

A walking tour of the Elmina township will end the day. Overnight in Cape Coast

Day 9 Cape Coast

Afterbreakfast, we shall explore Cape Coast town which served as Colonial Administration centre for the British and also visit the Cape Coast Castle built by the Swedes in 1653 later taken over by the British. This castle also houses the West African Historical Museum established by the Smithsonian Institute in collaboration with the Ghanaian Government in 1994.

We shall have a relaxing afternoon at the Brenu Achine beach. Overnight in Cape Coast.

Day 10 West Coast

After breakfast, transfer to The Western Region for relaxation. Spend the rest of the day in doing beach activities. Overnight at Axim/Busua.

Day 11, 12

These days would be used to explore some beautiful parts of the Western Region which will include an escursion to the stilt village of Nzulezo to meet the people of the over 4 century old community, a day in the Ankasa rain forest which is the only primary rain forest in the sun region, a canoe trip in the the Ankabra mangroves and a visit to Axim town.

Day 13

We shall use the morning for relaxation and reflection. Travel to Cape Coast after lunch.

Day 14

A leisure drive to Accra for last minute shopping and later transfer to airport for departure formalities to fly back home.

NB: This package can be extended or reduced to suit the number of days you have for your visit.

Highlights

Enjoy the African Sunshine

A feel of a tropical rain forest

Visit a UNESCO site

Feel and enjoy the hospitality of the people

Discover the unexpected

Starting from 1400 euro per person

This cost include

- Double occupancy accomodation base on bed and breakfast
- Transportation in an aircondition car/van
- A professional tour guide
- Entrance fees to tourist attractions

Exclude

- Flight to Ghana
- Meals
- Special games like water sports
- Video coverage at tourist sites TOURS