



Join Ghana in the Celebration of 70 Years of Independence

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October 17 - 23, 2027

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DAY 1: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17

Arrival

Arrive and be greeted at **Kotoka International Airport in Accra** and transfer to the deluxe **Labadi Beach Hotel on the beach**. The Labadi Beach Hotel is a breathtaking fusion of rich African heritage. In addition to traditionally decorated, spacious rooms with balconies, the hotel boasts 2 pools, free Wi-Fi, fitness center and Spa. In the evening, enjoy a **Welcome Dinner, Orientation, and African Naming Ceremony with traditional entertainment**. Also, evening visit by dressmakers and tailors to take measurements for **custom-made African clothing**.

Meal: Dinner

Overnight: Labadi Beach Hotel

DAY 2: MONDAY, OCTOBER 18

Accra City Tour

Embark on Accra city tour visiting sites of interest such as the National Museum, DuBois Center and Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park. After lunch, visit the famous Arts Center, the crafts and souvenir market. Return to your hotel by late afternoon. Another evening visit by dressmakers and tailors to display and sell clothing at the hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Labadi Beach hotel

DAY 3: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19

Slave River Site & Slave Castles

After an early breakfast and Hotel checkout, we begin our overnight visit to the Central Region, traveling west for 90 miles to Cape Coast, the old capital of Ghana. We first learn about the journey of enslaved Africans with a visit to the Slave River Site in Assin Manso. This river is historically significant as the place where captured Africans took their final bath in their native land before being marched to coastal dungeons and shipped across the Atlantic. Assin Manso also used to be a major market for enslaved Africans. After lunch, we will pay homage to the ancestors as we continue the journey to Cape Coast Castle for a visit to one of the infamous slave castles, a UNESCO World Heritage Monument, where enslaved Africans were kept in dungeons prior to the journey to the New World. We will have an opportunity to pay homage to the souls of the departed ancestors at the dungeons and at the 'Door Of No Return.' Check in to your beach front hotel by late afternoon and relax by the poolside or the beach. Dinner at the beachfront restaurant.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Coconut Grove Beach Resort, Elmina

DAY 4: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

Elmina Castle & Rain Forest

After breakfast and hotel checkout, enjoy photo opportunities as we drive past the Elmina fishing harbor and the St. George's Castle, the first slave castle to be built on the Gold Coast in 1482. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Monument and the largest European-built edifice during the period of the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade. It is also the oldest surviving European building south of the Sahara. We then travel to the Rain Forest belt in the Kakum National Park. Activities include a visit to a mini museum, walking tour of the forested vegetation environment where you will learn the names and uses of tropical African plants. The youthful will climb the Canopy Walkway and walk along a chain of hanging bridges that enable visitors

view the forest from treetops. We will have lunch at a local restaurant in Cape Coast before returning to Accra by late afternoon.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Labadi Beach hotel

DAY 5: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

Aburi Botanical Gardens & River Volta

Visit the more than 100-year-old Botanical Gardens at Aburi, located on the Akwapim Ridge, north of Accra, and learn about tropical plants and their uses. Continue to the nearby Craft Village to shop for souvenirs and hand-crafted items. Lunch is at a Riverfront Resort located on the banks of River Volta. After lunch, visit the site of Ghana's first hydro-electric dam at Akosombo. View the Volta Lake, one of the largest man-made lakes in the world for a photo opportunity. This evening, enjoy dinner, music, art and culture at the Sandbox Beach Club, a three-level, elegant oasis on the beach for a wonderful night out – this activity is optional.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Labadi Beach Hotel

DAY 6: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

King David School, Shopping & Farewell Dinner

After breakfast, we visit the King David School at Teshie in the morning for a cultural exposition by children of the community. Join in the traditional dancing designed to welcome you to Ghana. Deliver school supplies and your gifts for the school and students. We then visit the world-famous casket shop before having lunch. After lunch, explore various shopping centers such as the Artist Alliance and Osu for last minute shopping. Join the Farewell Dinner featuring Cultural Entertainment at the hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Labadi Beach Hotel

DAY 7: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

Departure

Hotel checkout and transfer to airport for flight to U.S.

Included:

- 6 Nights Hotel Accommodations
- Breakfast Daily
- Lunch and Dinner Per Itinerary
- Airport/Hotel Transfers
- Baggage Handling & Transfers
- Private Guided Sightseeing and Tours Per Itinerary
- Entrance Fees and Tickets Relating to Tours

Not Included:

- Visa for Ghana, Apply On-Line
- Meals No Mentioned
- Gratuities
- Travel Insurance – www.allianztravelinsurance.com, Travel Agent ACCAM: F030217

PASSPORTS MUST BE VALID THROUGH APRIL 2028.

LAND ONLY PRICE PER PERSON:

DOUBLE OCCUPANCY: \$2,999.00

SINGLE OCCUPANCY: \$3,795.00

A \$200.00 per person deposit is due September 15th to secure reservation.

PAYMENT PLAN:

\$675.00 is due on the first of November, 2026, January and March, 2027, and final payment due May 1, 2027.

ALL PAYMENTS ARE NONREFUNDABLE.

Travel Insurance – www.allianztravelinsurance.com, Travel Agent ACCAM: 030217

Airline prices and schedules will be available in November 2026.

SPACE IS LIMITED!

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RESERVATION FORM – Complete and Email/Mail to:

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Reserve my space to celebrate a: Trip to Ghana, October 2027		
My deposit of \$ _____ is enclosed.		
PLEASE ENCLOSE A COLOR COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT PICTURE PAGE. PASSPORT MUST BE VALID THROUGH APRIL 2028		
E-mail address:		
Name (As it appears on Passport):		Date of Birth
Street	City & State	ZIP
Telephone: Home	Office	Cell
Name of Roommate		Hotel Bedding: ___ 1 Bed; ___ 2 Beds

Special Needs: _____