

Deza Divas Africa 2010

October 28 - November 14, 2010

Day One-Depart USA on International Flight

Day Two- Arrive at Cairo International

Meet and greet with a transfer to Hotel. Orientation and scenic tour en route to the hotel.

Day Three- After breakfast, transfer to Cairo airport for your flight to Luxor

Upon arrival, transfer to your luxury cruise ship for a 5 day-4 night cruise. Accommodations aboard your cruise ship will consist of outside Junior suites with private facilities. Visit the Temple of Karnak * the Temple of Luxor. Visit the West Bank including the Valley of the Kings, Valley of the Queens, the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut, and the Colossi of Memnon. Overnite in Luxor. B,L,D

Day Four- Luxor, Edfu

Early morning sailing to Edfu via Esna. Overnite in Edfu. All meals on the cruise.

Day Five- Edfu, Kom Ombo, Aswan

Travel by horse drawn carriage to the Temple of Horus, the falcon god, considered the best preserved ancient temple in Egypt and the second largest after the Temple of Karnak. Sail to Kom Ombo where you will visit the Ptolemaic Temple of Sobek and Haroeris. Then sail to Aswan and overnite.

Day Six- Aswan (Optional Sound & Light Show)

Visit the Aswan High Dam, the Granite Quarries with the Unfinished Obelisk and the Temple of Philae. Sail on board a felucca, a typical Egyptian sailboat and view Kitchner's Island Botanical Garden and the Agha Khan Mausoleum. Visit a Nubian Village. (Camel ride optional). Overnite in Aswan. Evening, optional sound and light show.

Day Seven- Aswan, Cairo (Optional Abu Simbel)

After breakfast, visit the Nubian Museum and shopping. Transfer to the Aswan airport for your flight back to Cairo. Or, you may participate in an optional tour to Abu Simbel and visit the colossal Temple of Ramses II and the temple of his beloved Queen Nefertari. Both temples were carved out of a hillside beside the Nile in the 13th century B.C. Transfer back to the airport for your flight to Cairo.



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Day Eight- Cairo

Morning visit to the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities, which includes the world's largest collection of Pharaonic artifacts and the treasures of Tutankhamen's tomb. Then drive to Old Cairo where early Judaism and Christianity flourished and visit Al Loallaka Church (Hanging Church) and Ben Ezra Synagogue. Stop for lunch, then an afternoon visit to the Great Pyramids of Giza and the enigmatic Sphinx. Proceed to Khan El Khalili, the world's largest 13th century covered oriental bazaar. Overnite in Cairo. B,L



Day Nine- After breakfast, transfer to Cairo International Airport for your departure flight

Day Ten- Accra

Depart hotel for a sightseeing city tour of Accra Day Tour of Ghana. After lunch in a local Ghanaian restaurant, you will end your tour at the Arts Centre where you will have an opportunity to use your bargaining skills to shop in an open-air market for artifacts from Ghana and West Africa. Dinner and overnite at a hotel in Accra.



Day Eleven-Torgorme/Elmina-Traditional naming ceremony

After breakfast, take a scenic drive along the Accra plains to a beautiful village, Torgorme, located on the lower course of the splendid Volta River. Visit will include a naming ceremony, where you will be given African names. Demonstrations by the women on pottery making, dancing and drumming for entertainment. Later visit schools and other community resources. Continue drive for overnite (weather permitting, Bonfire KASA) B,D



Day Twelve-Cape Coast Castle & Elmina Castle

Depart for a drive to the Central Region to tour the infamous Forts, Castles, and Slave Dungeons of Ghana. History will unfold the story of the slave trade, the impact of which is still being felt beyond the shores of Africa today. Visit the Cape Coast Castle built by the Swedes in 1653 and was 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. After lunch, visit the Elmina Castle, built by the Portuguese in 1482 and is also known as St. George's Castle. This castle was the first European structure built in Sub-Saharan Africa. The colorful harbor nestles below the Elmina Castle, full of pirogues preparing to go to sea and offers one of West Africa's greatest photo opportunities. Overnite at hotel in Elmina B,D

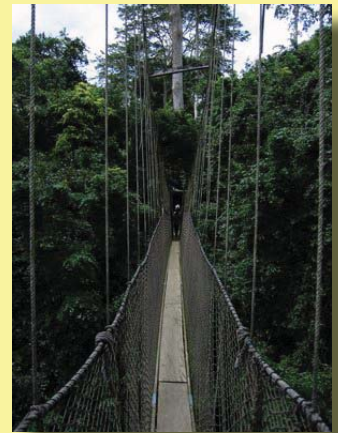


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Day Thirteen- Kakum National Park/Posuban

Early morning departure for a drive through the historic Denkyira Kingdom to Kakum National Park. The most popular attraction is the Canopy Walk way, which is made up of seven bridges extending 330m hanging over 30m (100 feet) 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. Return to the resort. After lunch spend the remainder of the afternoon at beach after a visit to the Posuban Military Shrine, where the Asafo companies (Fanti traditional soldiers) prepare spiritually for war. Dinner and overnite at hotel in Elmina. B,D



Day Fourteen- Kumasi City Tour

Breakfast at Hotel. Depart for a drive to Kumasi, the seat of the Ashanti Empire, to explore the legends of the famous Ashantis. After lunch, visit Manhyia Palace Museum, to obtain firsthand information on the legacies of the Ashanti kingdom. End the days' tour at the National Cultural Center which features the Prempeh II Jubilee Museum and various studios of brass makers, potters and Batik makers. Dinner and overnite at hotel in Kumasi. B,D



Day Fifteen- Ashanti Crafts Villages

This day is devoted to visiting the three famous craft villages in Ashanti-Ahwiaa, the wood carvers village, Ntonso, the home of Adinkra and Bonwire, the Kente weaving village. You will have the opportunity to see and buy handmade African crafts directly from the artisans. Dinner and overnite at hotel in Kumasi B,D



Day 16- Volta River Boat Cruise (Sundays only)

Breakfast at hotel. Depart to Akosombo Port to cruise on the largest man-made lake in the world, the Lake Volta. Aboard the "Dodi Princess", you will dance to the sweet sounds of live music played by the cruise boat resident band. Enjoy the calm of the lake and bask in the beauty of the mountain scenery. Return to Accra in the afternoon. Dinner and overnite at hotel in Accra B

Day Seventeen- Farewell, departure via Egypt

Spend most of the day at leisure and last minute shopping. Check out and transfer to airport for check-in for final departure back home.

Day Eighteen-Arrival and Departure from Cairo to USA

Special Note: All prices are subject to change until booked. Itinerary may vary in sequence of dates depending upon deviations of flight or ship schedules in country. INCLUSIONS: Bed and breakfast daily. Other meals as specified in the itinerary. Transportation as specified. EXCLUSIONS: Insurance is highly recommended. Passport and Visa, if required, Beverages and other personal services. Meals not specified. Tips and gratuities.

