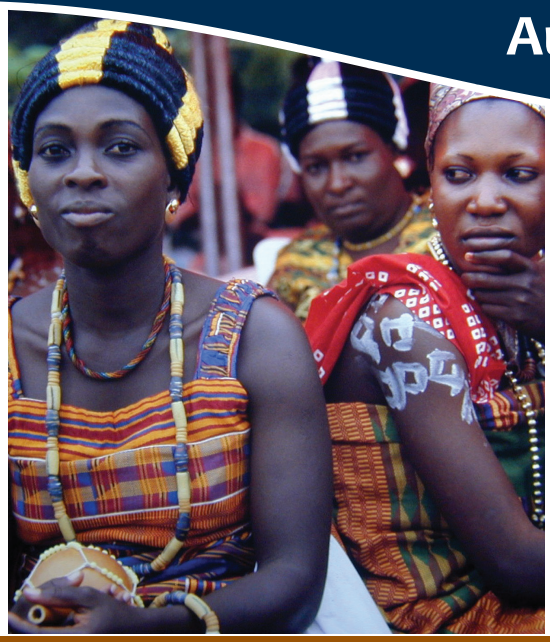
Ghana Heritage

August 5-14, 2020



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August 5 - Wednesday – Depart USA
Transfer to airport in USA for check in and fly to Ghana.

August 6 - Thursday – Akwaaba – Welcome!
Arrive in Accra, Ghana. Transfer from airport to your hotel. Check in to your hotel. *Overnight at La Palm Beach Hotel. Meals Included: Dinner with cultural performance.*

August 7 - Friday – Accra City Tour
After breakfast, depart for a sightseeing tour of Accra. Drive through the administrative and economic districts of Accra, the capital of Ghana. This 137-year-old city has a blend of colonial and modern architecture that summarize her history. Visit the W. E. B. Dubois Centre for Pan African Culture, the Independence/ Black Star Square and Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park. End your 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 La Palm Beach Hotel. Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner.*

August 8 - Saturday – Village Naming Ceremony – Aburi Botanical Garden
After breakfast, depart your hotel for a scenic drive to a beautiful village located on the lower course of the splendid Volta River. You will have the opportunity to pay a courtesy call on the paramount chief and elders amidst traditional drumming and dancing by the villages, and also participate in a naming ceremony, where you will be given a traditional African name. Other activities include watching or playing soccer with the kids at the village.

Afterwards, visit the Aburi Botanical Gardens. This eco-paradise was created in 1890 for pleasure and scientific research. It is a habitat for plants and butterflies from all around the world. At the end of the trip, return to Accra and relax. *Overnight at La Palm Beach Hotel. Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner.*

August 9 - Sunday – Church Visit and Donation at Christ the King Parish Soup Kitchen
After breakfast, depart the hotel and attend a church service in Accra. Afterwards, visit the Christ the King Parish Soup Kitchen. It was initiated by the Parish Priest, Rev. Fr. Andrew Campbell in response to the Holy Father, Pope Francis' declaration of 2016 as Jubilee Year of Mercy. His ingenuity was supported by the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC). Christ the King Soup Kitchen since its inception has become a resource for the homeless and poor. The project provides free breakfast meals, clothes, toiletries, and creates a sense of belonging for the beneficiaries to become part of a community. *Overnight at La Palm Beach Hotel. Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner.*

August 10 - Monday – Day Food Tour
Depart early morning to enjoy a local Ghanaian breakfast at one of our most recommended restaurants.

After breakfast, take a walking tour of James Town, Ghana's oldest suburb set on the coast of downtown Accra which boasts a fascinating history and vibrant local community. Watch women prepare and smoke fresh fish that was provided by local fishermen. This is an opportunity to observe how smoked fish is made locally and try your hands in this process.

Later, experience a shopping adventure at a market in Accra in preparation for a cooking class. After shopping, depart for a short cooking class of Ghana's famous jollof rice. Later enjoy an array of traditional cuisine in one of the finest local restaurants in Ghana. *Overnight at La Palm Beach Hotel. Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner.*

August 11 - Tuesday – Cape Coast Castle, Elmina Castle, Posuban Shrine
After breakfast, check out of the hotel in Accra and depart for Cape Coast. Upon arrival, embark on a tour of the infamous Forts, Castles and Slave Dungeons of Ghana. History will unfold the story

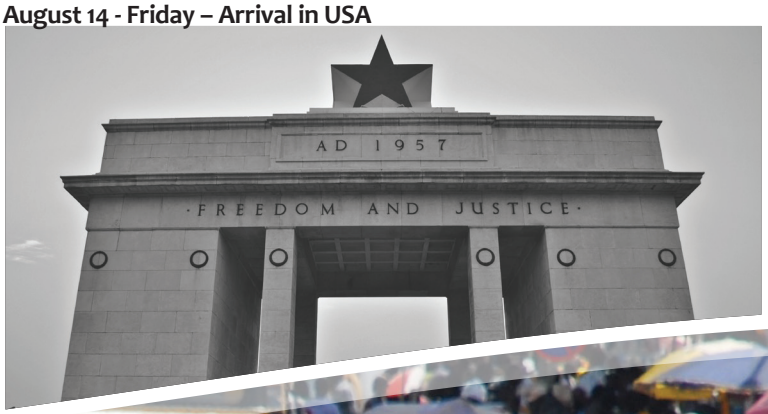
of the slave trade which the impact is still felt beyond the shores of Africa today. Visit the Cape Coast Castle built by the Swedes in 1653 and was later taken over by the British. This castle also houses the West African Historical Museum established by the Smithsonian Institute in collaboration with the Ghanaian Government in 1994.

Afterwards, visit the Elmina Castle built by the Portuguese in 1482 and also known as St. George's Castle. This castle was the first European structure built in Sub - Saharan Africa. The colourful harbour nestled below the Elmina Castle, full of pirogues preparing to go to sea offers one of West Africa's greatest photo opportunities. End the day's tour by visiting the Posuban Shrine in Elmina. At first glance, they may look like modern concrete sculptures only, but for people living in these communities, they mean a lot more. These sanctuaries were made by the Asafo companies as their local headquarters and as warehouses for weapons and for signs.The Asafo companies were traditional militias of the Akan cities; they had the task of defending cities and providing security services to the community. They also played an important role in local politics.The word Asafo derives from the word in Akan 'sa' that means "war" and from the word "fo" meaning "warriors," so Afaso means "warriors of war." *Overnight at Coconut Grove Beach Resort. Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner.*

August 12 - Wednesday – School of the Deaf
After breakfast, visit the Cape Coast School for the Deaf. Upon your arrival into the facility, you will be welcomed by a traditional cultural performance by the students with drumming and dance. The students at Cape Coast School for the Deaf have put their disability aside and keep the African traditional cultural performances alive. After the Welcome Ceremony, participate in some learning activities with the students and their tutors. Learn about sign language; engage in various games such as volleyball, football and more with the students. This insightful tour gives you a glimpse into the lives of local Ghanaians and those with disabilities. A donation will be made in your honour to the school. *Overnight at Coconut Grove Beach Resort. Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner.*

August 13 - Thursday – Elmina, Accra, Departure
After breakfast, spend the rest of the morning at leisure. Afterwards, check out of your hotel and depart to Accra. Upon arrival, transfer to the airport for check in and depart home.

August 14 - Friday – Arrival in USA



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TRAVEL REGISTRATION FORM

Departure City: Washington DC (Dulles) **Departure Date:** 08/05/20 (E)

First, Middle & Last Name must be submitted as it appears on your passport:

Guest 1: First Name: _____ (Preferred Name) _____

Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Title: _____

Street Address: _____ P.O. Box: _____

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Phone: _____ Alt. Phone: _____

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Birth Date: ____/____/_____ State of Birth: _____ Sex: ❑ Male ❑ Female

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Guest 2: First Name: _____ (Preferred Name) _____

Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Title: _____

Street Address: _____ P.O. Box: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Alt. Phone: _____

Email: _____ ❑ Send me emails about my trip

Birth Date: ____/____/_____ State of Birth: _____ Sex: ❑ Male ❑ Female

Emergency Contact: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone: _____ Alt. Phone: _____

Roommate(s): _____

If No Roommate: ❑ Try to Match Me ❑ Single Room (availability limited)

Important Information Regarding Travel Protection Plan:

1. Travel Protection coverage cannot be added after you have paid in full.
2. Premium is based on TOTAL cost of trip and is non-refundable.
3. Coverage begins when your premium payment is received by ETS (separate from deposit & clearly designated as your travel protection premium).
4. Premium must be paid in full no later than 04/22/20

Guest 1:
❑ I Accept ❑ I Decline

Guest 2:
❑ I Accept ❑ I Decline

DEPOSIT PER PERSON REQUIRED

Payment: $_____ ❑ via check: #_____

By signing below, I/We certify that I have read the "Fine Print," understand its content, and agree to its terms including but not limited to the potential for price increases that may apply before payment in full has been received as set forth in the "Fine Print" and potential price increases after payment in full has been received due to government imposed taxes and fees.

Guest 1 Signature: _____

Guest 2 Signature: _____

Tour: AE20 Date: 080520 Code: E 07/02/19

Travel Protection Plan

Premium Rates for all Tours

For a full description of the plan, go to: www.tripmate.com/wpF429E

Trip Cost	Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost
$ 0 to $1000	$ 99	$2501 to $3000	$299	$4501 to $5000	$499	$6501 to $7000	$699
$1001 to $1500	$149	$3001 to $3500	$349	$5001 to $5500	$549	$7001 to $8000	$799
$1501 to $2000	$199	$3501 to $4000	$399	$5501 to $6000	$599	$8001 to $9000	$899
$2001 to $2500	$249	$4001 to $4500	$449	$6001 to $6500	$649	$9001 to $10,000	$999

Schedule of Coverages	Maximum Benefit
Part A *	
Trip Cancellation	Trip Cost

Schedule of Coverages	Maximum Benefit
Part B	
Accidental Death & Dismemberment	$25,000
Medical Expense / Emergency Assistance	$50,000
Trip Interruption	Trip Cost
Travel Delay (Up to $100 Per Day)	$500
Missed Connection	$500
Baggage and Personal Effects	$1,000
Baggage Delay	$100

Part A -Travel Arrangement Benefits are provided by Educational Travel Services.

Part B - Travel Protection Benefits are provided by United States Fire Insurance Co *For New York Residents Only: Part A Benefits are travel arrangement benefits underwritten by United States Insurance Company.

Conditions and Limitations

This is a brief description of the plan available for all Travel Protection sales for Trips departing January 1, 2013 and after. Certain exclusions and limitations apply and are detailed in the Certificate of Coverage. For example, coverage does not apply to: any Sickness or condition of you, a Traveling Companion or a Family Member traveling with you that existed during the 60 days prior to the effective date of the coverages (The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion is waived if payment for this plan is received by Educational Opportunities Tours, Inc. at or before the final payment due date for Your Trip or 105 days before departure date, whichever occurs first.), suicide, normal pregnancy, war or any act of war. Other Covered Reasons, as defined, includes the following events or their consequences: Cancellation or Interruption of your Trip due to: Inclement Weather, unannounced Strike, mechanical breakdown that causes complete cessation of services of Your Common Carrier for at least 12 consecutive hours; a documented traffic accident while en route to departure; being hijacked or quarantined; jury duty; destruction of your home or destination by fire, flood, burglary or natural disaster; being called to the emergency service of government to provide aid or relief in the event of a natural disaster; a documented theft of passports or visas; a transfer of employment of 250 miles or more; or Revocation of military leave. For further information ask for the Certificate of Coverage which fully details the coverages, provisions, limitations and exclusions of the plan offered and is available to you, upon request, at any time prior to your purchase of the plan.**This plan is underwritten by:** United States Fire Insurance Company, Eatontown, NJ. Benefits are administered by: Trip Mate, Inc.*, 9225 Ward Parkway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO, 64114, 1-800-888-7292 (*in CA, dba Trip Mate Insurance Agency).

THE FINE PRINT

INCLUDED IN PRICE:

- Roundtrip international airfare • Deluxe motorcoaches • 1st class hotels • Guided sightseeing
- Hotel Gratuities • Entrance fees to sites visited • Program fees • Breakfast & dinner daily
- Fuel surcharges • Taxes $98 (Increases in government tax and fees are subject to change)

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:

- Optional sightseeing as listed in the brochure
- Miscellaneous fees i.e. individual transfers; passports, laundry, lunches, beverages at meals & baggage fees
- Love Offering for guide ($6 per person per day) and driver ($3 per person per day)
- Optional Travel Protection Program (see premium schedule)
- Visas for non-US citizens
- Visas and Transfers for all ground only passengers

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Deposit	Payment Amount	Due Date
Registration deposit	**$300**	Immediately to reserve your spot on tour!
Final Payment	**Full Payment**	04/22/20
If paid after the due date, a late payment fee of $100 will be assessed.		
Travel Protection Premium Amount		No later than 04/22/20 to be in full effect.
Travel protection premiums must be paid in advance of the final payment for coverage to be in effect.		

ACCOMMODATIONS:
Price is per person based on double occupancy. When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. While we will try to match roommates, we cannot guarantee a roommate will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 30 days prior to departure and, if one is not available or you request a single room, the following charges apply: $698 during the basic tour.

REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED after April 22, 2020:
We welcome registrations after 04/22/20. Registrations received between 04/23/20 - 05/07/20 will incur a $100 per person fee. Registrations received between 05/08/20 - 05/22/20 will incur a $200 per person fee. Registrations received on 05/23/20 or later will incur an additional fee based on air availability. Additional fees will be advised upon registration.

CANCELLATION FEES:
100% of Cancellation Fees are covered by the optional Travel Protection Program, provided premium has been paid and reason for cancellation is coverable. Those who do not take travel protection should be aware of the following cancellation penalties: From day of registration to 105 days prior to departure, you will be charged the $100 non-refundable administrative fee plus any airline fees. Additionally, thereafter, you will be charged any airline penalties and a single room supplement if your cancellation forces your roommate into a single plus the following charges: 104-60 days = $400; 59-45 days = $600; 44-31 days = 40% of total cost; 30 days to day of departure = 100% of total cost. Submit cancellation in writing. On or after day of departure, there will be no refund for any services not used.

FIT TO TRAVEL STATEMENT:
Passengers registering for the tour accept the responsibility for being in good health and able to walk and travel on the tour. Because many of the sites are not accessible to the physically challenged, those needing oxygen, wheelchairs, or other ambulatory assistance will find the tour extremely limiting to their experiences.

PASSPORT INFORMATION:
Photo copies of the passport must be submitted to our office no later than 04/22/20. Failure to provide your passport information to our office by this date will result in change fees or denial of travel. Discrepancies in information or failure to check in for your tour may result in change fees, delays in receiving travel documents for your trip, or denial of travel. Passports must be valid for at least 6 months after the return date.

PRICE INCREASES:
All prices quoted in this brochure are subject to change prior to payment in full due to currency fluctuations, fuel surcharge increases, government taxes and fees increases or unforeseen circumstances. In addition, you may be subject to a price increase after payment in full has been received due to potential government imposed taxes and fees.

AIRLINE ROUTES and TICKETS:
In order to keep prices low, we do not guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. Once "printed", airline tickets cannot be changed or refunded thereafter. Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class on IATA and ARC carriers utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, non-amendable tickets for groups of 10 or more flying together on entire itinerary. If you choose to depart from a different city than your group or travelling companion, or deviate your flight and/or trip plans, and/or you are taking a pre or post tour, you may fly on a different scheduled flight(s) than the rest of your group. If you make your own air arrangements, you are responsible for booking all needed flights for your travel unless specified otherwise. Contact your travel agent for further details.

FLIGHT TIMES:
All flights are subject to change by the airlines without advance notice. We are not responsible for such changes or delays and does not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays. If you are making your own flight arrangements to the departure city, we recommend you purchase a ticket that can be exchanged without large penalties.

ADDITIONAL AIRLINE FEES:
You will likely incur additional airline checked baggage fees that are not included in the price of the tour. These fees vary by airline and are at the airline's discretion on each segment of the flight itinerary. You may also incur optional fees i.e. food, excess baggage, overweight baggage, items of personal nature, etc.

DEVIATIONS AND AIR UPGRADE REQUESTS:
Deviation and Air Upgrade requests must be submitted in writing and are subject to additional airline fees. Deviations and Air Upgrades are not always possible given the group schedule and time of ticketing. Passengers who are ticketed with air deviations and/or upgrades will likely not fly with the group and will therefore need to provide their own transfers.

ITINERARY CHANGES:
Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this brochure. While you will see all sites listed in this brochure, the order of sites and/or days and number of days may be altered to accommodate changes in airline, hotel schedules, and local conditions. Due to airline schedules, some participants may receive one or two extra leisure days at a nominal per day charge and some extensions may not be available on all departure dates. If itinerary changes necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged $125 per night; single rooms $175 per night. Meals for extra nights are not included.

VALIDITY DATE:
This brochure is valid until **09/02/19**. Registrations will still be accepted after the validity date.

RELEASE INFORMATION
Payment of deposit indicates permission for us to record the registrant's participation and appearance on video tape, audio tape, film, photograph, or any other medium and to use the registrant's name, likeness, voice, comments, submitted documentation, written papers, and/or biographical material without restrictions or limitation for any advertising, marketing, publicity, educational or promotional purpose which we deem appropriate, unless the registrant or guardian otherwise notifies us in writing prior to departure.
Except where otherwise stated, we act only as agent for the relevant supplier in securing hotels, transportation and other travel services and in no event shall we be liable for failure by any such supplier to render any transportation, lodging or other travel service to be provided on the tour. We assume no liability for injury, death, damage, loss, theft, accident, delay or irregularity which may occur by reason of any negligent or willful act or omission of any suppliers of service. We do not own or operate any of the suppliers of services to your tour. Similarly without limiting the foregoing, passenger agrees to hold us harmless for any defect in any vehicle, plane, boat, bus, car, van or other vehicle, act of war or insurrection, terrorist activity, revolt or other civil uprising, military action, strikes or labor unrest or any Act of God or for any other act of any third party.