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GHANA: COMMUNITIES, TRADITIONS & HISTORY FOR THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SOUTH RICHMOND

9 days | 28 people | Arrival Sep 8, 2025 | Reference # 3736658Jon28

Explore Ghana's vibrant culture with private guides in Accra, Kumasi,

See **Details** for pricing information

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Having visited almost a hundred countries and lived in seven, I've dedicated my personal and professional life to travel. My overland trips from London to Cape Town and London to Burkina Faso have given me a deep passion for Africa in particular. It's a spectacularly varied continent and offers many experiences that even our most well-travelled clients consider life changing. I'm very excited to hear about your own unique dream trip and start converting it into a reality. You've made a great choice for your next holiday!

Ed Vallance

Your Destination Expert

Trip summary

Step into the bustling heart of Ghana, where traditions flourish and cultures await your discovery. Stroll through Accra's lively streets to learn about the politics and history that have shaped today's modern city. Gain insights into the historical significance of Cape Coast's dark past, and visit the unique craft villages in the heartland of the Ashanti people. This immersive journey will deepen your understanding of Ghana's rich heritage while connecting you with the warmth of its people. Crafted by your Destination Expert, this journey is tailored to you and guided by knowledgeable local private guides.

MON, SEP 8, 2025 - DAY 1 ACCRA Get In and Get Some Rest

- Ghana Visa on Arrival Included
- Private Airport Transfer
- Afternoon at Leisure

Labadi Beach Hotel 🔄 Superior with Breakfast, 12 TWN (24 Adults) Superior with Breakfast, 2 DBL (4 Adults)

TUE, SEP 9, 2025 - DAY 2

ACCRA

Explore with an Expert

- Private Vehicle & Guide
- Accra City Tour: Sites & Markets (5 hrs) Private
- Lunch
- Dinner

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WED, SEP 10, 2025 - DAY 3 ACCRA Live Like a Local • Private Vehicle & Guide

- Meet The People (6 hrs) Private
- Lunch

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THU, SEP 11, 2025 - DAY 4 ACCRA TO KUMASI

- A Change of Scenery
- Transfer Accra Kumasi [via Besease, 6 hrs] Vehicle/Guide/Driver
- Lunch

Lancaster Kumasi City 🔄 Superior Room with Breakfast, 12 TWN (24 Adults) Superior Room with Breakfast, 2 DBL (4 Adults)

FRI, SEP 12, 2025 - DAY 5

KUMASI

Cultural Immersion

- Private Vehicle & Guide
- Traditional Fabric Workshop for Kente, Batik, Tye & Dye (4 hrs) Private
- Lunch

Lancaster Kumasi City 🕒

Superior Room with Breakfast, 12 TWN (24 Adults) Superior Room with Breakfast, 2 DBL (4 Adults)

SAT, SEP 13, 2025 - DAY 6

KUMASI TO ELMINA

The Journey Continues...

• Transfer - Kumasi - Elmina [via Assin Manso & Palm Wine Farm, 7 hrs] - Vehicle/Guide/Driver

• Lunch

Coconut Grove Beach Resort Standard with Breakfast, 12 TWN (24 Adults) Standard with Breakfast, 2 DBL (4 Adults)

SUN, SEP 14, 2025 - DAY 7 ELMINA

Lest We Forget

- Private Vehicle & Guide
- World Heritage Sites & Dungeons: Essential Elmina & Cape Coast (5 hrs)
 Private Tour
- Lunch

Coconut Grove Beach Resort Standard with Breakfast, 12 TWN (24 Adults) Standard with Breakfast, 2 DBL (4 Adults)

MON, SEP 15, 2025 - DAY 8

ELMINA TO ACCRA TO ELMINA TO ACCRA

A Bird's Eye View

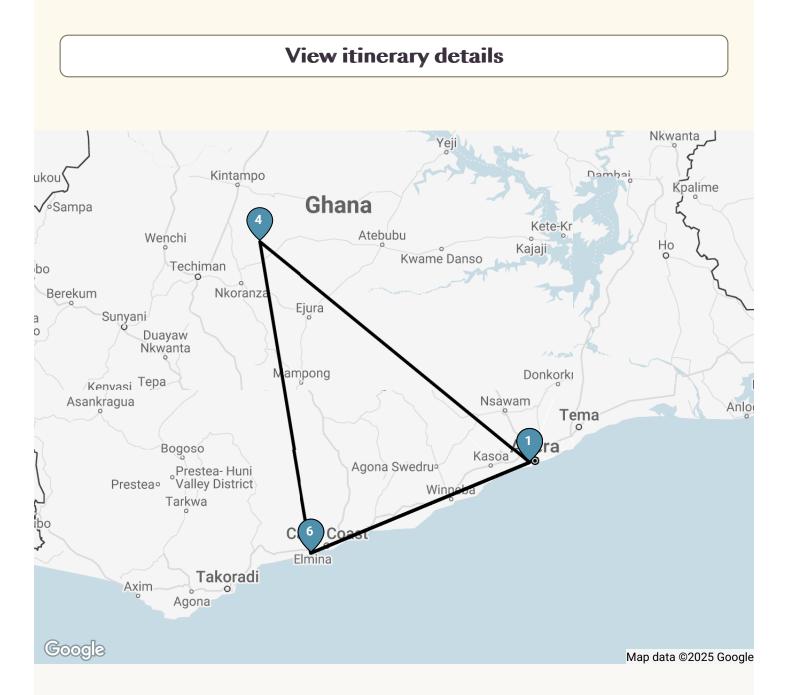
- Meet The People with Naming Ceremony (3 hrs) Private
- Lunch
- Transfer Elmina Accra [3 hrs] Vehicle/Guide/Driver
- Flavors of Ghana: Bespoke Culinary Experience
- Dinner (Included)

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TUE, SEP 16, 2025 - DAY 9 ACCRA Bon Voyage

- Private Vehicle & Guide
- Optional Souvenir Shopping

Depart (Intl Airport) ()



Pricing information

Pricing is valid until Jan 15, 2025, and do note that we don't begin confirming your services until a deposit has been paid. Availability can change quickly, and so tweaks to your pricing may occur in the event that we are unable to secure any of the included items once the itinerary is finalized.

PRICE DETAILS

Price per person in double occupancy: \$4,865, Price per person in single occupancy: \$6,511



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- A fully customized itinerary based on your interests and schedule
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- A private driver for tours and transfers (in some countries our local private guides also act as your driver your Destination Expert will discuss with you if applicable)
- A greeting at the airport or at your accommodation from one of our representatives your expert will confirm your meet and greet location with you
- Breakfast each morning at your hotel, plus any meals indicated in the itinerary
- One suitcase and one carry-on per person for trip transfers

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Your international airfare please do let your expert know if you'd like to receive pricing from our Air Team
- Travel insurance, which we offer and can be purchased after you've booked your tour
- Visas (unless noted)
- Tips for services and experiences
- Excess baggage charges, and where applicable, baggage not included in your fare
- Personal charges such as laundry, phone calls, SIM cards or room service
- Early check-in or late check-out from hotels (unless otherwise specified)
- Additional sightseeing, activities and experiences outside of your itinerary
- Optional enhancements like room or flight upgrades, or local camera or video fees
- Passport fees, immunization costs, and local departure taxes (when applicable)

Your trip details



DAY 1 - MON, SEP 8, 2025: ACCRA

Get In and Get Some Rest

A visa on arrival at Accra airport is included in the trip price.

A private transfer between the airport and your hotel is provided.

In the afternoon, enjoy some time on your own to relax.

Where you're staying

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DAY 2 - TUE, SEP 9, 2025: ACCRA

Explore with an Expert

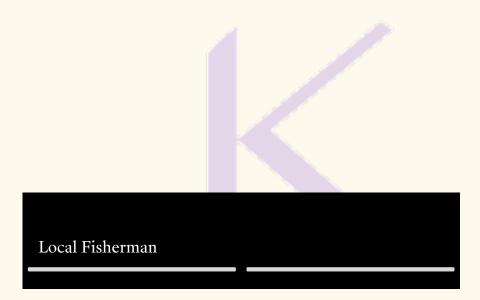
Explore Ghana's vibrant capital city of Accra on a private tour. Your day begins with a visit to the National Museum of History and Ethnography where you are introduced to the fascinating heritage and history of this West African nation. Next, head to Old Accra to admire a unique blend of Victorian, Dutch and post-colonial architecture. Pass by Fort James dating back to the days of the Royal African Company of England, and head to the historic Ussher Fort. Your tour continues with a visit to the renowned Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park, a burial place and mausoleum dedicated to Ghana's first president. Drive past the Independence Arch and the Black Star Square as you make your way to the final stop of the day - the bustling Arts and Crafts market. Here, take in the dazzling array of locally made wares, and perhaps try out your bargaining skills. Your tour concludes with a private transfer back to your accommodation.

A lunch at a local restaurant is included in today's itinerary.

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Where you're staying

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DAY 3 - WED, SEP 10, 2025: ACCRA

Live Like a Local

Beyond its spellbinding scenery, awe-inspiring sights, and unique rhythm, perhaps the most beautiful attribute of Ghana are its friendly people. Today's tour will give you the unique opportunity to interact with Ghanaians as you visit a nearby rural community.

After arriving in the village, you will be welcomed in a traditional way by the

chief. After a brief cultural performance you will witness the village life firsthand. First, visit the local school and interact with students and teachers. If you wish, you may even teach the children a song, rhyme, or a fun game. Next, head out to witness fish preparation and preservation. See fish mongers ready their catch for smoking, using methods that have been passed on for generations.

Lastly, get an opportunity to observe Gari processing. Gari is one of the several of Ghana's staple foods and it is derived from Cassava - a root crop widely cultivated in tropical Africa. After an excitement-filled day you will be privately transferred back to your hotel in Accra.

A lunch at a local restaurant is included in today's itinerary.

Where you're staying

Labadi Beach Hotel 🔄 Superior with Breakfast, 12 TWN (24 Adults) Superior with Breakfast, 2 DBL (4 Adults)



DAY 4 - THU, SEP 11, 2025: ACCRA TO KUMASI

A Change of Scenery

This morning depart from Accra on your way to Kumasi. En route stop at Besease to visit a traditional shrine of the Ashantis. Here you will get a chance to explore the beliefs and history of this ethnic group. Feel captivated by the Ashanti historic oral account as it is told by a knowledgeable traditional linguist. From here, you will continue on your journey to Kumasi. The transfer takes approximately six hours, but it may take longer depending on the time spent at Besease and any other stops made along the way.

A lunch at a local restaurant is included in today's itinerary.

Where you're staying

Lancaster Kumasi City 🔄 Superior Room with Breakfast, 12 TWN (24 Adults) Superior Room with Breakfast, 2 DBL (4 Adults)



DAY 5 - FRI, SEP 12, 2025: KUMASI

Cultural Immersion

Discover the art and beauty of African weaving and get a glimpse into the life of a local artisan on a private tour. Depart your hotel in the morning and head to a nearby town of Bonwire, popularly known for making kente cloths. Kente is handmade on looms, in a time-honored tradition passed down through generations. During your workshop you will be introduced to the various processes involved in this art before trying your hand at kente weaving under professional guidance. Next, transfer to Ntonso – a town that specializes in traditional textile printing. Here, witness how intricate designs are applied to the sacred Adinkra mourning cloth. Adinkra are created by indigenous artists, whose expertise lies in the textual printing by using traditional symbols that express the spiritual, moral, political and socio-cultural philosophies of the Akan people. You will also get an opportunity to come up with your own designs. Find out how the natural dye is locally extracted, and then get a chance to choose your symbols and be guided in stamping your own designs. After the conclusion of the tour you will

be transferred back to your hotel.

A lunch at a local restaurant is included in today's itinerary.

Where you're staying

Lancaster Kumasi City 🔄 Superior Room with Breakfast, 12 TWN (24 Adults) Superior Room with Breakfast, 2 DBL (4 Adults)



DAY 6 - SAT, SEP 13, 2025: KUMASI TO ELMINA

The Journey Continues...

Today transfer from Kumasi to Elmina with your private guide. A moving stop by Assin Manso allows you to trace back the steps of the enslaved as they made their harrowing journey to the Americas. Assin Manso Ancestral Slave River Park was one of the largest slave markets during the infamous trans-Atlantic slave trade. It was the final link in the slavery route from northern to southern Ghana. The Ndonkor Nsuo (the Slave River), is where the captives were oiled, fed and bathed in waters of their native land one last time. Here, they were meant to rest for several days or weeks as the traders knew that they could fetch higher prices when they appeared healthy and strong. Wash your hands and feet in the river, and take a moment to reflect on the experience of those who passed through this site. On your way you will also get an opportunity to visit a local palm wine farm. Palm wine plays an important role in the lives of Ghanaian communities, and it is widely used during festivals and traditionally marriage ceremonies. The approximate duration of today's transfer is seven hours.

A lunch at a local restaurant is included in today's itinerary.

Where you're staying

Coconut Grove Beach Resort Standard with Breakfast, 12 TWN (24 Adults) Standard with Breakfast, 2 DBL (4 Adults)



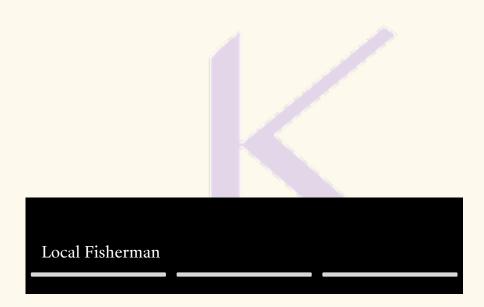
DAY 7 - SUN, SEP 14, 2025: ELMINA

Lest We Forget

An impactful day awaits as you embark on a private guided tour of the infamous Forts, Castles and Slave Dungeons of Ghana. Learn and watch the history unfold in front of your eyes as you gain a better understanding of the slave trade in West Africa. Begin with visiting the Cape Coast Castle. The largest of its kind, this castle was built by the Swedes in 1653 and was later taken over by the British. Walk the path of the enslaved as your guide takes you through each of its ominous sections and enter the dungeons through the 'Door of Return'. Next, visit the Elmina Castle. Constructed by the Portuguese in 1482, it is also known as St. George's Castle. This fortification was the first European structure built in Sub-Saharan Africa, and it is Ghana's oldest castle on the West African slave trade route. It stands as a dark reminder of one of humanity's most horrific periods in history. Continue with a tour of the town of Elmina. See the lively fishing harbor and head to the historic Dutch Cemetery. You will also visit the St. Joseph's Minor Basilica, which was the first Roman Catholic Church established in the country. A lunch at a local restaurant is included in today's itinerary.

Where you're staying

Coconut Grove Beach Resort Standard with Breakfast, 12 TWN (24 Adults) Standard with Breakfast, 2 DBL (4 Adults)



DAY 8 - MON, SEP 15, 2025: ELMINA TO ACCRA TO ELMINA TO ACCRA

A Bird's Eye View

Today, get immersed in the rich culture of Ghana as you get a unique opportunity to visit a nearby community and interact with the local people. Head to the countryside to witness the traditional way of life first-hand. Meet with the village chief and his elders and enjoy a special cultural performance. Receive a Ghanaian name as you participate in a naming ceremony, and learn more about the village life as you take a stroll through the community. Chat with the friendly locals and observe as they go about their daily chores. Today's experience gives you an invaluable insight into the reality of West Africa's rural areas.

A lunch at a local restaurant is included in today's itinerary.

A private transfer from Elmina to Accra is provided. The approximate transfer duration is three hours.

This evening, embark on an immersive journey through the flavors and culture of Ghana during a private culinary experience with Chef PaJohn Bentsifi Dadson, a passionate advocate for the country's rich heritage. Fusing his loves for writing, hospitality, and cooking, he champions authentic connections through cuisine. Chef PaJohn's invites you to discover the vibrant flavors of Ghana with a private dinner at his chic bohemian rooftop restaurant, PaJohn's, nestled in the heart of Accra. Indulge in an exclusive dining experience as PaJohn and his team entertain you with Ghanaian humor and music, while you savor exquisite dishes that reflect the diverse culinary traditions from across the nation. This experience introduces you to PaJohn's philosophy, *WangoWango*, which celebrates the joy of food and the thrill of exploring Ghana's varied regions, evoking a profound sense of happiness. At the conclusion of your evening, relax on a private transfer back to your hotel.

Where you're staying

Labadi Beach Hotel 🔄 Superior with Breakfast, 12 TWN (24 Adults) Superior with Breakfast, 2 DBL (4 Adults)



DAY 9 - TUE, SEP 16, 2025: ACCRA

Bon Voyage

Choose to visit the Arts Centre where you will have the opportunity to use your bargaining skills and shop for artifacts from Ghana and West Africa. From finer artwork, to musical instruments, to intricate carvings and colorful textiles, this open-air marketplace is a treasure-trove of local wares.

Where you're staying

Depart (Intl Airport) ()

Ask Ed about these options

Any of the options below can be added or substituted on to your itinerary. Please reach out if you would like to see an updated quote with some of these ideas.

OPTIONAL TOURS & SERVICES









\$\$\$ - Accra

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Strictly Ghanaian Cuisine Cooking Class (6 hrs) - Private

Cedi Bead Factory & Koforidua Beads Market Journey Along the Cocoa Trail (7.5 hrs) -Private



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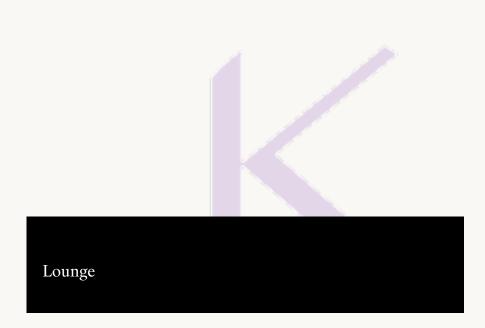
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Accommodations



ACCRA

Labadi Beach Hotel 🔄

Set amidst tropical landscaped gardens, overlooking one of Ghana's most beautiful beaches is the famous Labadi Beach Hotel. The hotel is located in Accra, Ghana's administrative, communications, and economic centre in close proximity to Kotoka International Airport and within the vicinity of business, financial and entertainment districts. Labadi is locally renowned for its food and the unique spirit of Ghanaian hospitality, and is located within easy access of both the city and airport. Presenting 100 spacious double and twin rooms and an additional 4 luxury suites, complete with conferencing and banqueting facilities, the hotel has earned its reputation as being the most sought after business venue in the country.

Hotel details



KUMASI

Lancaster Kumasi City 🖾

Lancaster Kumasi City is the only four star hotel of international standards in Kumasi, only 20 minutes away from the airport and located close to the city center of the second biggest city of Ghana. This remarkable hotel, the Lancaster Kumasi City is set in extensive tropical gardens in the central business district. This magnificent hotel has 160 rooms with various room types, a well equipped Business Centre, a Forex Bureau for your financial transactions, a swimming pool specially designed for adults and another one for children. Enjoy this first class African style experience.

Hotel details



ELMINA

Coconut Grove Beach Resort

Coconut Grove Beach Resort and Conference Centre is located in Mmoframa Akyinim, on the coast of Elmina the historic Capital of the Gold Coast. The hotel has been in operation since December 1994, and has seen ongoing systematic growth which has enabled the hotel to win awards as well as establish a reputation that attracts tourists seeking rest and relaxation from all over the world. All rooms are air-conditioned, with hot and cold water, mini bar, satellite multi channel TV reception, and Wi – Fi connection. The Ocean View Restaurant has an enviable reputation for the best sea food served fresh in the region.

Hotel details



Price does not include insurance

Pricing is valid until Jan 15, 2025. Book your adventure.

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