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People to People Travel Program Brochure



The People to People Travel Program offered by the International Black Women's Public Policy Institute (IBWPPI) is an exciting initiative that aims to provide an opportunity for members of IBWPPI to travel to various countries as guests, get to know and experience the people of that country, and promote cultural exchange and understanding.

The program will be tourism-based, and IBWPPI will provide a group experience so that participants do not have to travel alone. The package and itinerary will be created by IBWPPI, taking into consideration the members' preferences and interests, as well as the cultural and historical significance of the places they will visit.

The trips will include visits to various tourist attractions, such as museums, historical sites, beaches and resorts, and cultural events. Additionally, the program will provide opportunities for members to meet and interact with local people and organizations, including women's groups and community leaders, to learn about their work and daily life.

To ensure that the program is successful, IBWPPI will provide all necessary instructions and directions to members in writing and through Zoom calls, which will also serve as an opportunity for participants to ask questions and receive additional information.

The program will be open to all members of IBWPPI, and all costs associated with the trip, airfare, visas, vaccinations, and extra activities that are identified, will be paid by the member. IBWPPI will work with trusted travel partners to ensure that all aspects of the trip, including accommodations and transportation, meet high safety and quality standards. The hotels selected will only be 4- and 5-star hotels, same with transportation and meal services offered in IBWPPI land only packages.

Overall, the People to People Travel Program will provide an opportunity for members of IBWPPI to explore new cultures, connect with local people and organizations, and gain a deeper understanding of life across the globe.

When and How

The Inaugural People to People Travel Program offered by the International Black Women's Public Policy Institute (IBWPPI) will take place from Sunday, October 1, 2023, through Saturday, October 7, 2023. The trip to Accra Ghana will be a one-week trip, (travel to arrive in Ghana on Sunday, October 1) filled with daily activities and scheduled rest time to ensure that travelers are not overwhelmed and exhausted. There will also be options for travelers to opt-out for the day if needed.

To secure a spot on the trip, participants will be required to pay a \$500 deposit per person. The deposit is non-refundable once your trip registration is completed. The deposit is how we secure the dates and partners in Ghana. All deposits must be made no later than June 30, 2023, and space is on a first-come, first-served basis. The trip is limited to a small group, so that the experience will be enhanced.

The cost of the land package, which is all-inclusive, is \$2,499, and \$3,299 for single occupancy. The full package must be paid for no later than September 1, 2023.

The land package will cover all expenses, including accommodation, ground transportation, meals, and scheduled activities. However, airfare, visas, vaccinations, and extra activities that are identified as optional are not included in the package. (Individual covid tests are included although not required)

Overall, the People to People Travel Program is a terrific opportunity for members of IBWPPI to explore new cultures, connect with local people and organizations, and gain a deeper understanding of Ghanaian life. (If you are not a member of IBWPPI, joining is very simple at www.ibwppi.org

Ways to secure your space.

1. Use the DONATE button on the website www.ibwppi.org to enter a different amount.
2. Zelle - barbara@ibwppi.org
3. https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=KKD35AXDJGH8Y

Complete the INTEREST FORM ATTACHED AND YOU WILL BE CONTACTED WITH THE INFORMATION FOR THE ZOOM INTEREST MEETING.

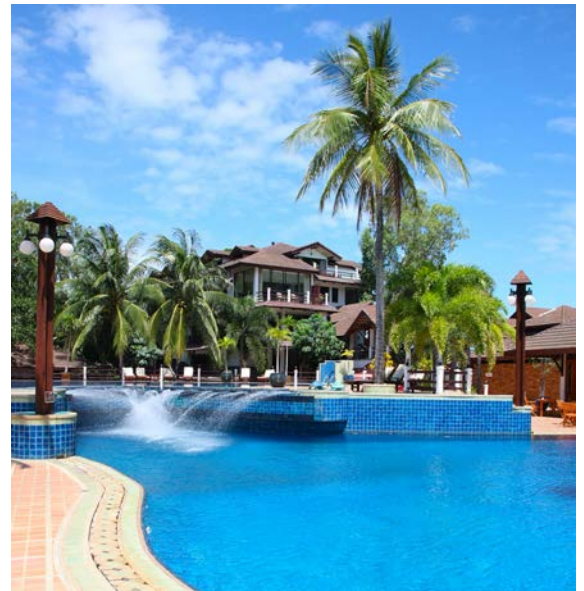
DAY 1- MONDAY 1ST OCTOBER 2023

ARRIVAL

Arrival in Accra, Ghana where after arrival formalities and baggage pick-up, the representative from Elevation Tours will meet you at the airport. Depart to the hotel where you will be welcomed by the hotel staff, have a welcome drink, and Orientation. Check into your room. Dinner will be served at the Hotel.

Meals: Dinner

Accommodation: La-Palm Royal Hotel



DAY 2- TUESDAY 2ND OCTOBER 2023

ACCRA CITY TOUR

After breakfast, embark on a sightseeing tour of Accra. You will drive through the Economic and administrative district of Accra, the capital of Ghana. The city has a Combination of colonial and contemporary architecture that sums up its rich history.

Visit the W.E.B Dubois Centre for Pan-African Culture and the newly **refurbished Kwame Nkrumah Mausoleum**. You will continue with the Tour driving through the city while you make stops at important landmarks including the **Independence Square, Jubilee house, Revolution square** etc. Your next stop will be the **Art center** which is the biggest art and craft market in Accra for your shopping gifts and items.

Meals: Breakfast/Lunch

Dinner on your own at a recommended Restaurant \$



DAY 3- WEDNESDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2023

CAPE COAST/ELMINA CASTLE

Early morning departure after breakfast to Cape Coast the former capital of the Gold Coast and **Visit the Cape Coast Castle** built by the Swedes in 1653; which was later taken over by the British. History will unfold the story of the slave trade, where the impact is still felt beyond the shores of Africa today. Explore the grounds of this infamous castle with its slave dungeon. Every part of the castle has historical significance. This castle also houses the West African Historical Museum established by the Smithsonian Institute in collaboration with the Ghanaian Government in 1994. This is the Castle that President Obama and his family visited in 2009. You will continue your tour and **Visit the Elmina Castle built by the Portuguese** in 1482 and remains as the first European building built south of the Sahara.

Enjoy a seafood lunch at a beach side restaurant and depart to Accra after this experience.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.

Dinner on your own at recommended restaurant \$



DAY 4- THURSDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2023

NATIONAL MUSEUM/MAKOLA LOCAL MARKET

Late morning departure after breakfast to the **National Museum** to learn about the country's Cultural Heritage. This will be followed by a visit to the **Makola Market** and also explore the **Artist Alliance Gallery** for unique artworks and crafts.

Grab Lunch on your own \$

Enjoy dinner at Bukar, offering a mix of Ghanaian and continental dishes in a stylish setting

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner



DAY 5- FRIDAY 5TH OCTOBER, 2023

ABURI BOTANICAL GARDENS

You will depart the hotel after breakfast and visit a **Aburi Botanical Gardens**. This was a royal garden established in the 1890`s by the British colonial Government and the garden houses about 370 species of plants around the world. The tour of the garden will offer learning opportunities about the medicinal plants, its uses and relevance to our existence.

Have lunch at Hillburi, a picturesque restaurant with stunning views of the surrounding landscape.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch

Dinner on your own at a recommended restaurant \$



DAY 6-SATURDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2023

WALKING TOUR OF JAMESTOWN/ OLD ACCRA

After breakfast, we will drive to Ga-mashie also known as Jamestown and embark on a walking tour through this community of ancient history, street art and historical sites which dates to the 17th century. It is also known as Old Accra, and it remains a hub of traditional Ga culture with traditional homes, ceremonies, and attributes of its tasty diets.

Grab Lunch on your own \$

Enjoy a group dinner at Chez Clarisse, offering delicious Ivorian cuisine.

Meals: Breakfast /Dinner

DAY 7- SUNDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2023

BEACH TIME RELAXATION, SHOPPING AND AIRPORT TRANSFER

You have the option to spend time at the beach after breakfast, swimming in the pool at the hotel and have lunch at the bar or we will go for our last minute shopping after breakfast. Optional- Spend the Day at Labadi Beach for a small fee and walking distance.

You will be transferred to the airport for your departure flight.

Meals: Breakfast

End of tour

- All ground transportation and transfers as per itinerary or similar
- All accommodations as specified in this itinerary or similar (Bed and breakfast)
- All meals as specified within the itinerary, noted as in breakfast.
- Entrance fees for all tours and excursions specified in the itinerary or similar.
- Professional English-speaking local guides

NOT INCLUDED IN LAND COST

- Meals not specified in this itinerary.
- All drinks except bottled water or soda with meals
- Personal items such as laundry, email, fax, telephone, souvenirs, etc.
- Gratuities for tour and site guides and drivers

THINGS TO BRING WITH YOU

- Washcloth because most hotels don't give guest washcloth.
- European electrical systems are used in Ghana, so please bring adapters (220v) for phones and other electronics.
- Consider bringing T-Shirts (especially with American sports logos); any digital electronics, jeans, sneakers, baseball caps, toiletries, lipstick, nail polish and perfumes as these items are always great bartering.
- Bring snacks with you because you might not always find food during long rides between destinations.

HEALTH ADVISORIES

- Before you leave your home country, please get the required Yellow Fever vaccinations. You should also see your doctor to get malaria tablets.
- Please inform the travel coordinator of any medical conditions that might impact your trip.
- Bring plenty of insect repellent and sun tanning lotion. Bring all your must have prescription medicine needed during the trip. You will be walking a lot in very hot weather, so bring a hat and comfortable walking shoes.
- Sanitary conditions in most places (bathrooms, restaurants etc.) and not always up to Western standards or what you are accustomed to, so please bring handy-wipes and bacteria hand wash.



Additional Information:

Our Travel Partner is Elevation Tours. Our Tour Operator is a trusted Christian gentleman, that we have know for five years and he has taken care of us at the highest level on multiple trips.



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For More Information on IBWPPI Travel Program send inquiries to Admin@ibwppi.org