



Ghana: PANAFEST 2019
"Beyond 400 Years: Reaching Across
Continents into the Future"



Tour Duration

9 Days, 8 Nights Package from July 25 - August 3, 2019

Tour Cost

Double Occupancy - **\$1,999 pp**

Single Occupancy - **\$2,974 pp**

Required Deposit - **\$399** (Non Refundable)

Roommate requests can be made at the time of deposit. No requests will be accepted after your deposit. Single occupancy requests will **only** be accepted at the time of deposit. Single occupancy is **limited and is on a first come, first serve basis**. The number of single occupancy slots will vary from tour to tour. See tour details for spaces available.

If you book a double room and do not have a roommate, we will pair you with another member.

Payment Terms

1. Full payment

- 1.1. If you pay in full by May 21, 2019:
\$1,999 per person for double occupancy and \$2,974 per single occupancy.

2. Installments

- 2.1. Travelers can choose to pay in 4 installments after deposit, due by:

Payment Due Date	Double	Single
February 21	\$ 400.00	\$ 643.75
March 21	\$ 400.00	\$ 643.75
April 21	\$ 400.00	\$643.75
May 21	\$ 400.00	\$ 643.75

3. Late Fees

- 3.1. A \$100 late fee charge will be applied to all payments made after the 3 day grace period. Missed payments will be applied to the next month, plus the \$100 late fee. Your tour will be automatically canceled after two missed payments **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- 3.2. There will be no refund of the deposit or any payments that were made for the tour if it was cancelled due to missed payments. Your tour must be paid in full by May 21, 2019. Final payments not received by May 21, 2019 will be charged an additional \$50 for every 3 days payment is not received. If a late final payment is received without the additional late fees included, your tour will be cancelled, and **NO refund** will be given. This is **NON-NEGOTIABLE.**

Invoices

Payments will be made via PayPal to www.Paypal.me/GlobetrottingSistars, via Chase/Bank of America Quick Pay (Zelle) at typhanielynych@globetrottingsistarsllc.com, or via CashApp at \$GlobetrottingSistars. Once payment is received, you will receive an invoice no later than 3 days after payment. It is your responsibility to provide an email address for the invoice to be sent to. Invoices will be sent out no later than 15 days before they are due. It is your responsibility to alert Globetrotting Sistars LLC at least 10 days before an invoice due date of a lost, or unreceived invoice.

Refund Policy

24 Hour Cancellation Window

You have up to 24 hours to contact Globetrotting Sistars LLC in writing for a refund of your deposit after your tour has been booked. There will be **NO REFUNDS OF THE DEPOSIT AFTER 24 HOURS** upon booking your tour. *See your contract for cancellation date.*

You have 90 days before the scheduled tour (April 25, 2019) to cancel. If you cancel your tour after April 25, 2019, there is no refund of any payments. **No Exceptions.** You can opt to transfer your funds paid on the tour to date (deposit is **not included**) to a future Globetrotting Sistars LLC tour that you are **NOT** currently making payments on or receive a refund of your funds paid on the tour to date (deposit is **not included**) within 21 days. Your request for the transfer must be received at the following email address: bookings@globetrottingsistarsllc.com

You can opt to transfer your deposit to a future Globetrotting Sistars LLC tour that you are **NOT** currently making payments on **within the same 24 hours as your refund request.** Your request for the transfer must be received at the following email address: bookings@globetrottingsistarsllc.com

If your tour is cancelled due to you missing two tour payments, you can not apply the deposit to any future Globetrotting Sistars LLC tour no matter when the tour was cancelled. In case it is necessary to cancel your tour due to a medical or personal emergency, your travel insurance policy can reimburse you for the cost of the tour. **Please carefully read your travel insurance policy to ensure reimbursement of your tour costs under certain circumstances.**

Tour Reminders

- ★ **Etiquette:** Remember ladies that you will be visiting a country whose customs may differ from what you are used to in your home country.

Please be aware of the following while we are in Ghana:

- ★ **Tipping:** Tips are customary for performances and entertainment in Ghana so please make sure you set aside funds for this, especially if you want to take individual or group pictures with performers. It will reflect badly upon yourself and the group if you attempt to sneak in photos or take pictures without tips/donations. Remember this is their livelihood and they rely heavily on our tips/donations to support themselves and their families.

Tips are customary for guides, hotel staff (housekeeping/maids) and restaurant servers. Be prepared to leave a tip when receiving a service in Ghana. While it's not mandatory, generally a tip is expected and always appreciated. **Please** avoid being overly generous, as this may appear that you are flaunting money, but do leave enough to show appreciation for the services you receive.

- ★ **Hotel Housekeeping/Maid Service:** \$2-\$3 per night, and up to \$5 in high-end hotels. You can leave the tip on your pillow or in a place where it will be easily located. Tips are recommended to be left per night as the housekeeping staff will not be the same person for each night of your stay.
- ★ **Bus Tours:** (several hours or less), tip your guide 10% - 20% of the cost of the tour. For **driver/tour guide for one week** the suggested amount is \$4-\$5 per day per passenger. You can give the tip at the end of the week to the driver in an envelope. The preference is for the tip to be given individually rather than as a group. While tips are not mandatory, they are greatly appreciated for all the work that goes into their job catering to travelers.
- ★ **Bargaining:** Except for goods in supermarkets, high-end shops, hotels and restaurants, nothing in Ghana has a set price, so bargaining is expected. The seller may offer the item at 30% - 50% more than what they expect for it, so your counteroffer should be lower than what you are expecting to pay. You and the seller will go back and forth until an agreement is made. If you can't come to an agreement, don't get frustrated. Move on and find another vendor and you may

even get the price you are looking for once you've walked away. Remember to keep it fun and light.

- ★ **Bartering** with the locals for items can be fun, and can be done in small villages and markets. Feel free to bring items from home that you are willing to trade for items in Ghana. Please **DO NOT** bring junk/cheap items that have no usefulness. Clothing with logos (T-shirts, caps, etc.) are especially interesting to locals.
- ★ **Activities** unless stated are not optional. If you choose to opt out of a scheduled activity Globetrotting Sisters LLC will not be responsible for creating an alternate itinerary. Any excursions or activities that you choose to participate in outside of the designated tour itinerary are at your own discretion. Globetrotting Sisters, LLC will **NOT** be held liable for your safety and security or any costs you incur.

When In Ghana

- ★ Bikinis, shorts and swimwear are acceptable only on resort beaches.
- ★ Although alcohol is freely available, drunken behaviour is considered offensive.
- ★ Ask for permission before taking pictures of people or private houses.

Special Attire

- ★ Globetrotting Sisters LLC T-Shirt
 - Day & Location: Day 2, Accra City Tour
- ★ Black & Gold Attire
 - Day & Location: Day 2, Welcome Dinner
- ★ Globetrotting Sisters LLC T-Shirt
 - Day & Location: Day 3, Kumasi City Tour
- ★ White Dress
 - Day & Location: Day 4, Akan Naming Ceremony
- ★ White Attire
 - Day & Location: Day 6, Reverential Night

Meal Requests

If you have food sensitivities, please alert Globetrotting Sisters LLC **at the time of booking**. Please be aware that the country you wish to visit may not be able to accommodate your food sensitivities in the same manner as you are accustomed to in your home country. We will do our best to accommodate you but if it isn't possible we will let you know.

INCLUDED TOUR FEATURES

- Globetrotting Sisters LLC T-Shirt
- Daily Breakfast
- Welcome Dinner
- 8 nights accommodation at 4 star properties.
- Private Transportation to Kumasi and Cape Coast
- Bottled water while on day tours
- Ground transportation to and from Kotoka International Airport in Accra
- Naming Ceremony with Drumming & Dancing (Kings Palace in the Ashanti Region)
- Town Tour (Chief's Palace & Shrine) Ashanti Region - Kumasi
- Kente Tour
- Cocoa Tour
- Certificates of Akan Names
- Kente Sash w/each Sister's Name Woven within the sash - (Kumasi)
- Entrance/Tour Service fees
- All tours as stipulated in the Itinerary

EXCLUDED TOUR FEATURES

- International Round Trip Airfare
- All meals not included under Inclusions listed above (lunch, dinner, snacks, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages)

- Local Transport - Outside of scheduled activities and tour dates
- Nightlife Activities
- Tours and Excursions outside of scheduled activities
- Luggage check-in cost
- Visa
- All beverages
- Alcoholic beverages
- Tips (i.e. Drivers, Hotel Staff, Tour Guides or Waiters)
- Travel insurance
- Yellow Fever vaccination
- Any additional Hotel Costs - outside of Globetrotting Sistars arrangements

Flight Information

Airfare is booked separately with a **non-stop group flight** being offered via **Delta Airlines**. This flight will arrive in **Accra, Ghana** at **1:25pm on the July 26, 2019**.

However, you are not required to book the group flight which is a bit more expensive than other airlines with short layovers. You can book your individual flight to arrive at any time on the 26th. We will arrange your ground transportation once we receive your flight information.

What do I need to enter Ghana?

A passport with at **least two blank pages**, **six months' validity**, **yellow fever vaccination** and a **visa** are required to enter Ghana.

Visa Requirements

1. How/When do I apply for a visa?

You will apply for the visa no less than 30 days prior to travel.

You will submit an online application utilizing the link provided then print and submit **in person** or via **mail**. You must have your passport, 2 Passport size photos, proof of airfare, travel/flight itinerary, yellow fever vaccination, and an

official invitation letter from our vendor in Ghana. **(an invitation letter will be provided at least 60 days prior to the trip date).** Additional information on the visa process is below.

2. What type of visa do I apply for?

You will apply for a **single entry tourist visa** unless you plan on returning in the near future then you would **request a multiple**.

3. Do I need Passport Pics for the visa?

Yes! 2 Passport size pictures.

4. What is the cost for the visa?

\$70 in person and \$100 if mailed. **(Single Entry)**

Vaccinations

The only required vaccination is **yellow fever**. Yellow fever can be taken at anytime not to exceed 10 days prior to the trip.

You can obtain the vaccination at any **travel clinic** in your area. Travel clinic are also listed at the end of this document.

Additional Information on Flights, Visas, Vaccinations and Travel Insurance will be provided in our Tour Packages.

Questions?

If you have any questions or concerns please send us an email at:

bookings@globetrottingsistersllc.com

We will be happy to answer any questions you may have. We will respond within 24 hours.

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