

# **Nigeria 2024**

## **The Giant of Africa Tour (Part II)**

### **“Join the Epic Return to the Giant of Africa”**

**10 Days, 9 Nights**

**Tour 1: August 22 - 31, 2024**

**Tour 2: November 7 - 16, 2024**

**Depart USA**

**Tour 1 departs on August 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**Tour 2 departs on November 6<sup>th</sup>.**

**Flights are booked separately.**

Persons can choose to fly with the group from John F Kennedy International Airport (JFK) to Murtala Muhammed International Airport in Nigeria (LOS). Published flights for August 2024 will be available on or before December 30, 2023, and November flights will be available on or before February 28, 2024. We will conduct a schedule chat, and email the suggested flight itineraries to all persons signed up for the trip. In addition, individuals can fly from any province, state, or country via any airline carrier suffice they arrive in Lagos, Nigeria on the designated arrival date.



**Day 1: Friday, August 23, 2024/November 8, 2024**

***Cultural Introduction: Ikeja/Lagos/Victoria Island***

Upon arrival at Murtala Muhammed International airport, you will be greeted by our local vendor and transferred via a modern air-conditioned vehicle to your fabulous hotel on Victoria Island. You will check in, freshen up and relax a bit before departing for a special welcome celebration at the famous Popo Aguda. You will experience live Agidigbo Cultural music of Lagos at the Afro Brazilian Cultural Center. Later, for those who want to experience Nigerian nightlife you will be taken to the fabulous Terra Culture. You will then have a restful night at the Eko Hotel and Suites in Victoria Island, Lagos.

**Accommodation:** [Eko Hotel and Suites Victoria Island Lagos](#) or similar (we reserve the right to provide accommodations at another property suffice it meets the same standards).

**Meals:** Lunch & Dinner (Welcome Dinner will be at Freedom Park)



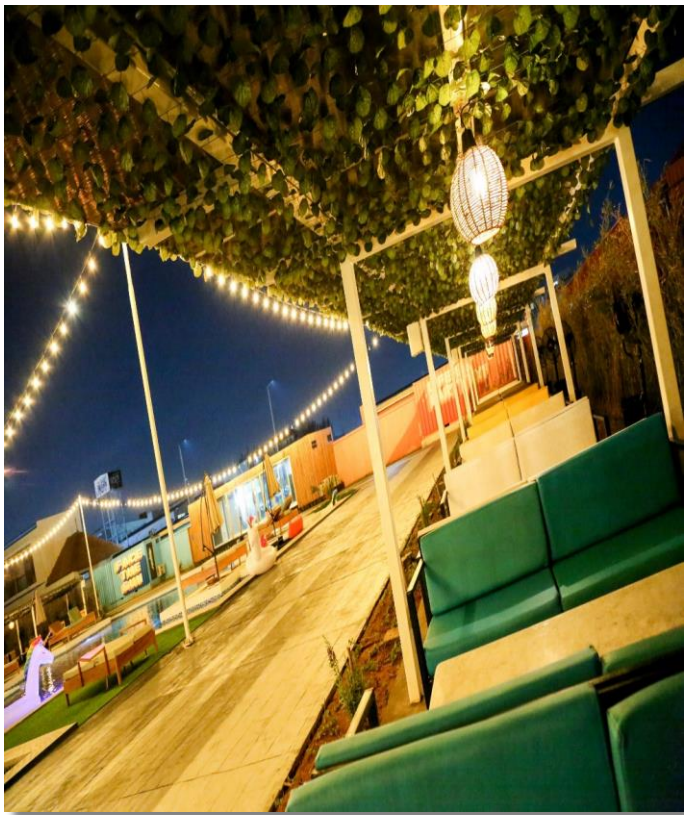
## Day 2: Saturday, August 24, 2024/November 9, 2024

### **Arts/Culture/History: Lekki/Victoria Island/Onikan**

After breakfast, visit the Lekki conservation center. This is a nature conservation which is about 78-hectare natural resource in the Lekki peninsula. The center was established by the Nigeria Conservation Foundation to protect the wildlife and mangrove forest of Nigeria's South-West coastline from the threat of urban development. The tour will continue as you enjoy the panorama. tour of Lagos and drive toward the biggest art gallery in Africa, The Nike Art Gallery. This is a four stories building that comprises an art gallery and textile museum that features about 10,000 pieces. It is the biggest in Africa. We will also visit the Eko Atlantic Project and discover a mega city built on the Atlantic Ocean using modern technology. It fascinates to see a project of such magnitude in Africa. We will proceed to the National Museum Onikan, Lagos. This is the biggest ethnological museum in Nigeria. It displays the history and culture of the people of Nigeria. Our next stop will be the Afro Brazilian Cultural Centre in the heart of the biggest Afro Brazilian returnee Community in West Africa. This is a Centre dedicated to the Afro Brazilian, Cuban etc., who returned to Lagos from Brazil and other islands after the Imale slave revolt of 1835. Today's tour will conclude with visiting markets of Lagos Island like Idumota and Balogun in the Ereko area which is one of the biggest in the world. Dinner will be at leisure and tonight you will experience nightlife at Goodlife Beach, Oniru

**Accommodation:** [Eko Hotel and Suites, Victoria Island, Lagos](#) or similar (we reserve the right to provide accommodations at another property suffice it meets the same standards) **Meals: Breakfast & Lunch**





**Day 3: Sunday, August 25, 2024/November 10, 2024**

***Culture/History: Idale Whedakoh***

After breakfast, you will check out of your hotel on Victoria Island. You will proceed to Fams Embassy and Suites to check in before commencing your day tour near Badagry. You will enjoy a cultural reception at the palace of the King of Idale Whedakoh, near Badagry. Masquerades and traditional prayers will be offered. You will be welcomed by the King and his chiefs, wives and family. You have the option of visiting the Dagbe Snake temple. This is the principal deity in the kingdom. The location where the shrine is established was the first settlement of the people. It is the oldest human habitat in the community. The people originally migrated from Whydah in the present day Benin Republic. You will be culturally immersed as an ambassador of the community. The primary occupation of the villagers are fishing, pottery making, mat weaving etc. Coconut oil is also produced. Some of these will be showcased for sale. Then (from a nearby town known as Akarakumo), which is the tallest drum in Africa will be showcased, and you will experience a live performance. The colorful dresses of the performers and sounds are beautiful. A walking tour of the community will be the climax of the visitation. Dinner is at leisure. Optional Nightlife will be at 02 Highlander.

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**Meals:** Breakfast & Lunch



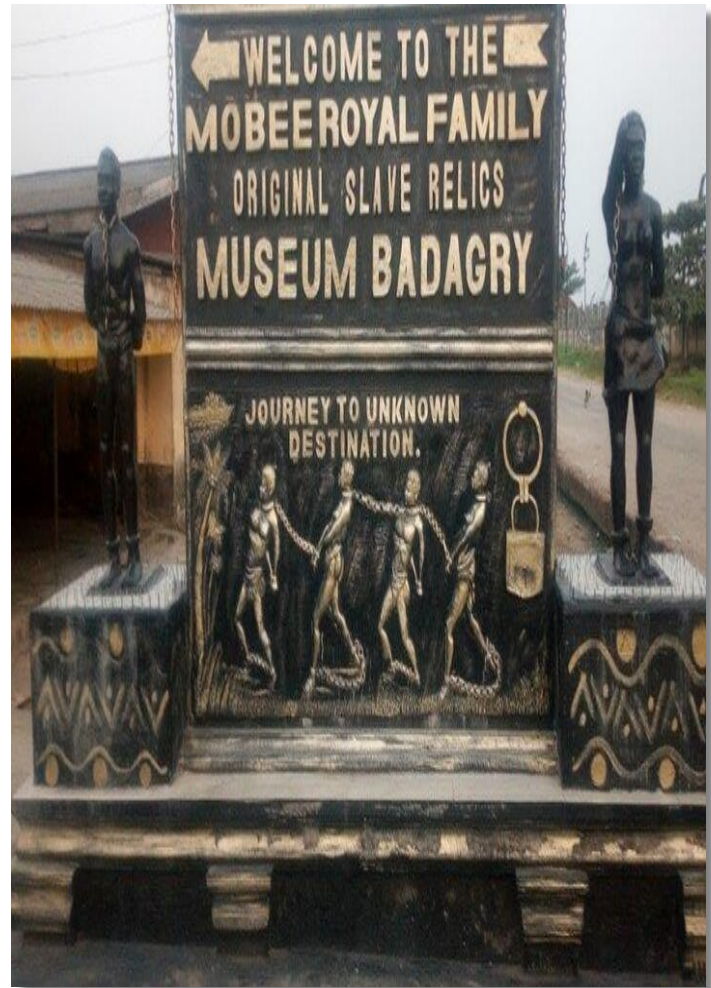
**Day 4: Monday, August 26, 2024/November 11, 2024**

***Paying Homage: Badagry (Badagry Root Reconnection and Slave Route Tour)***

After breakfast, proceed on the Badagry slave history tour. The ancient town is renowned for slave history. Places of interest includes Seriki Abass Slave Museum also known as the Brazilian Baracoon; a slave cell, where the enslaved were kept. Visit the Mobee Slave relics museum. Badagry Slave Market Museum, Heritage Museum. Then continue via boat/ferry to the slave Point of No Return on Gberefu Island. The experience on the Point of No Return is a reconnection to the past. The walk on the Slave Route brings back vivid imagination of the experiences of the ancestors during the Trans-Atlantic slave trade in Badagry. Water was fetched from the popular well dugged in the middle of the slave route and given to the enslave not just to quench their thirst. but to make them weak and not be able to think right. Some said the water was drugged or charmed. The Lagos ministry of tourism call the spot, “the slave spirit attenuation well”, but Anago Osho calls it, “the well of memory loss”. The Atlantic Ocean and its tide would have been scary to majority of the enslaved who were captured from the interior land. Upon completion we will take time to reflect and converse. Today will be enjoy lunch at Iya Sulia Restaurant for a taste of local cuisines. After the day tour check in at the hotel. Upon checking into the hotel, the rest of the evening and dinner is at leisure.

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**Meals:** Breakfast & Lunch



**Day 5: Tuesday, August 27, 2024/November 12, 2024**

***Culture/History: Abeokuta***

After breakfast, depart for a tour of Abeokuta, which is the largest city and capital of Ogun State. The first settlers of Abeokuta were the Yoruba Egbas. Later, some members of the Yoruba clans came to settle in the city too. The Egba-Dahomey war is important in the history of the town. Many people were enslaved and taken away during the different wars fought by the Abeokuta people. Some families still kept items of warfare like the canon guns, canon balls, Dane guns, amulets/charms, and other items used during the wars. There are many descendants of Abeokuta across West Africa, and the Americas. You will see such sites as the historic Olumo Rock: where the town got its name from, the Kings Palace, the Itoku market: where vendors sell the famous Adire Fabric. Adire Textile is the indigo dyed cloth made in Southwestern Nigeria by Yoruba women, using a variety of resist dye techniques. Visit the Fetish Market and see or experience indigenous methods: local herbs and materials for medicine used for healing. Lunch is at the city restaurant or the OOPL complex. Dinner and the rest of the evening is yours to enjoy at leisure. Depart Abeokuta for Osogbo.

**Accommodation: Ideal Nest Hotel, Osogbo or similar (we reserve the right to provide accommodation at another property suffice it meets the same standards).**

**Meals: Breakfast & Lunch**



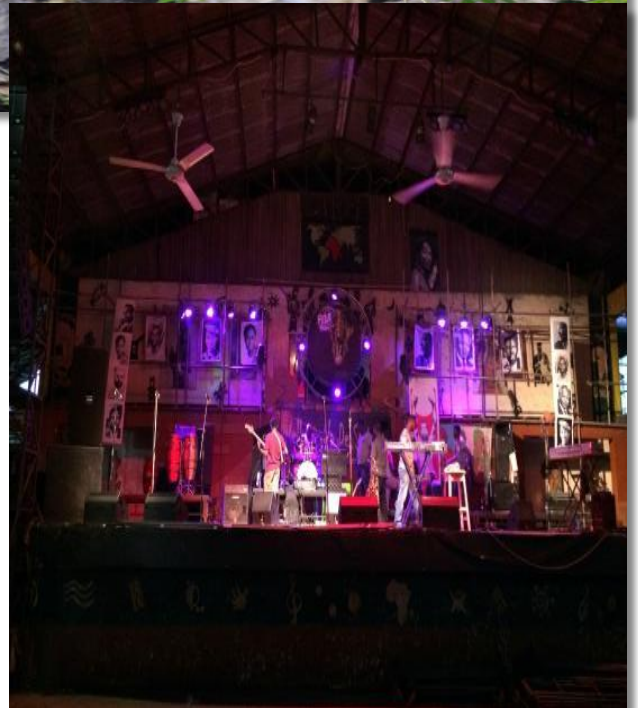
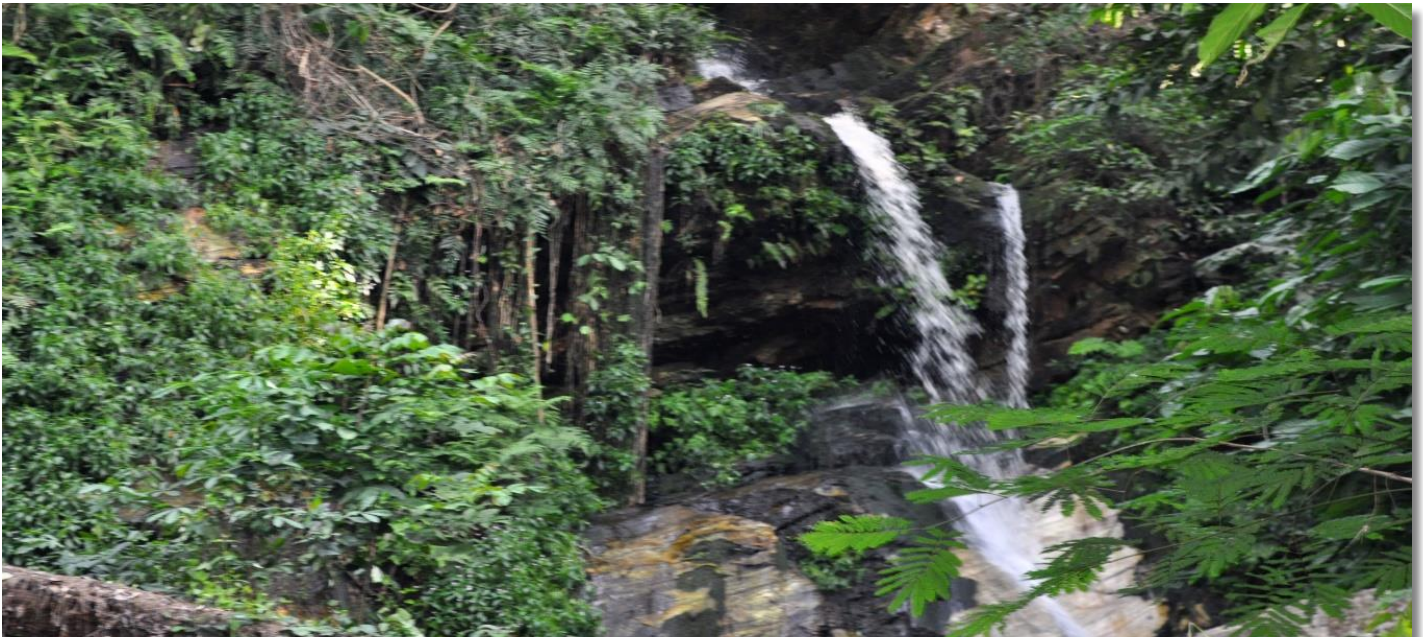
**Day 6: Wednesday, August 28, 2024/November 13, 2024**

***Nature/Adventure: Osogbo/Ikogosi Warm Spring, Ekiti State***

After breakfast you will set off on a day of adventure to Ikogosi Warm Spring. You will enjoy the scenic drive up to this beautiful hilly town. The Ikogosi Warm Springs is located at Ikogosi, a town in [Ekiti State](#), southwestern Nigeria. Flowing abreast the warm spring is another cold spring which meets the warm spring at a confluence, each maintaining its thermal properties. Bask in the healing properties of this natural wonder. You will then have lunch and later return to the hotel. Nightlife will be at New Afrika Shrine, Ikeja, Lagos

**Accommodation: Bon Hotel Ikeja Residence, Lagos or similar (we reserve the right to provide accommodations at another property suffice it meets the same standards).**

**Meals: Breakfast & Lunch**





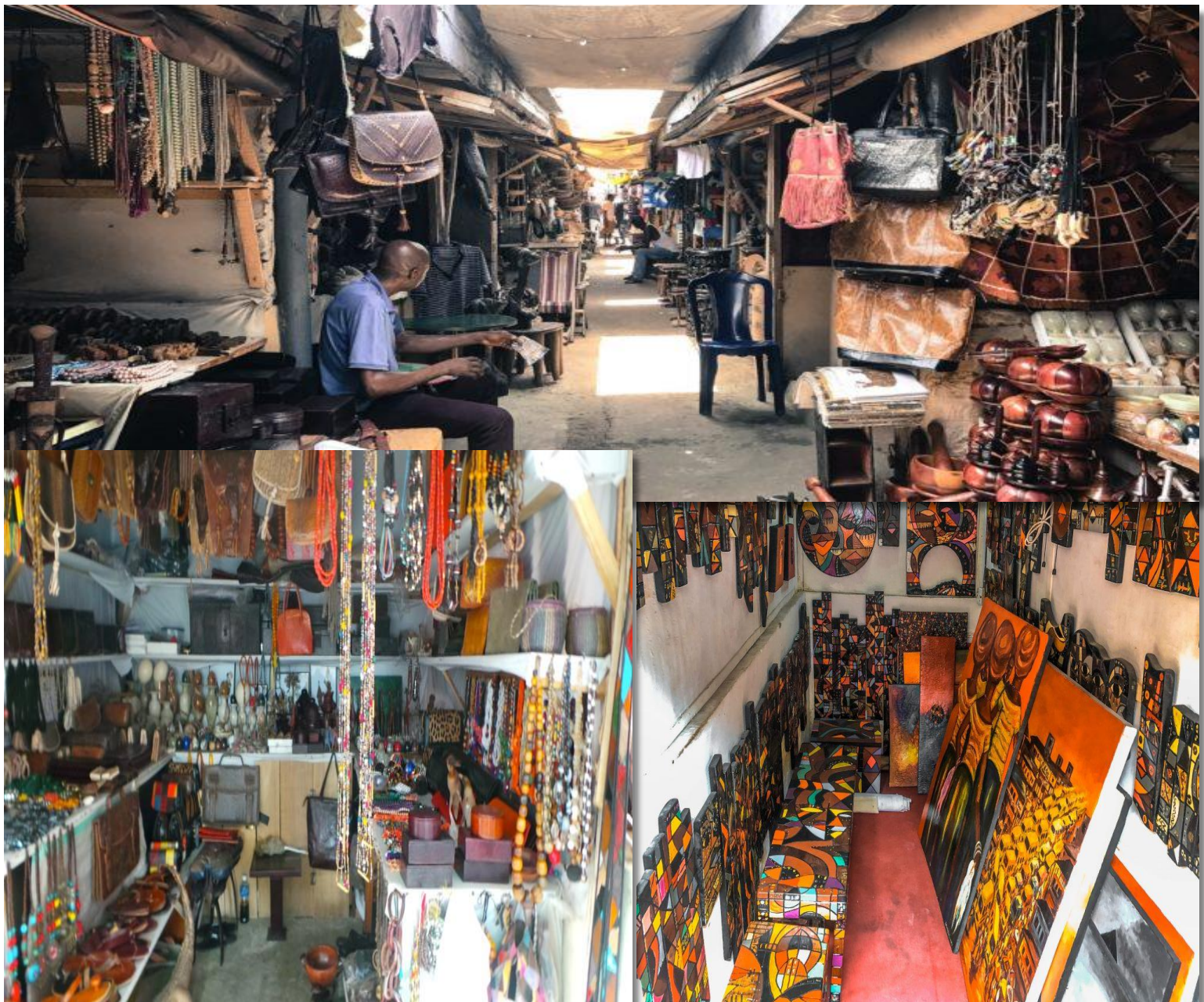
**Day 7: Thursday, August 29, 2024/November 14, 2024**

***Art/Market/Shopping/Beach: Ikeja/Victoria Island***

After breakfast proceed to Lekki Art Market. Lekki Art Market also known as Jakande Art Market is regarded as the largest Art market in Nigeria and here you will get to see Nigeria through art. Lekki Art Market is home to different types of Art, Sculptures, and a variety of African Fashion Accessories among others. You will proceed to Jara Beach Resort to chill and soak up some sun. Upon return to the hotel, you will relax and enjoy dinner at leisure. Tonight, you will experience Nightlife at Freedom Park Lagos.

**Accommodation: Bons Hotel Ikeja Residence, Lagos or similar (we reserve the right to provide accommodations at another property suffice it meets the same standards).**

**Meals:**



**Day 8: Friday, August 30, 2024/November 15, 2024**

***Beach/Relaxation: Tarkwa Bay/Victoria Island***

Today after breakfast you will enjoy a boat cruise to Tarkwa Bay Island Beach. Chill on the beach, swim or enjoy numerous activities such as Quad biking, horseback riding etc. Drinks, food, Smoke, Grills, Dance, and a beach Cabin View are also available.

**Accommodation: Bons Hotel Ikeja Residence, Lagos or similar (we reserve the right to provide accommodations at another property suffice it meets the same standards).**

**Meals: Breakfast & Lunch**



## Day 9: Saturday, August 31, 2024/November 16, 2024

### *Leisure Day!*

You can choose to relax and enjoy the amenities of the hotel, have optional spa treatments at the hotel or opt for a private driver to explore their own individual interest.

The cost for a private driver is \$200 USD for the day even if you don't spend all day out.

**Meals: Breakfast (Lunch & Dinner @ Own Expense)**

**Accommodation: Bons Hotel Ikeja Residence, Lagos or similar (we reserve the right to provide accommodations at another property suffice it meets the same standards).**

## Day 10: Sunday, September 1, 2024/November 17, 2024

### *Leisure Day: Optional Spa Day or Personal Driver*

#### *Traditional Farewell Dinner*

After breakfast you can choose to spend the day enjoying the amenities of the hotel or opting for a personal driver to spend the day exploring or shopping. After a relaxing day you will convene with the group for a Farewell dinner dressed in local garb.

**Meals: Breakfast & Farewell Dinner**

**Accommodation: Bons Hotel Ikeja Residence, Lagos or similar (we reserve the right to provide accommodation at another property suffice it meets the same standards).**

## Day 11: Monday, September 2, 2024/November 18, 2024

### *Departure Date*

#### **Farewell Nigeria Until Next Time OR ABUJA EXTENSION!**

After breakfast you will check out of the hotel, and our local guide will take you back to the airport.

You will also have **the** option to choose 4 days, 3 nights add on to ABUJA! Details for the Abuja extension will be released separately **in the coming weeks**. All people flying on any other airline will also be taken to the airport 3-4hrs prior to departure.

**\*Note: We will have designated Zoom group chats to discuss in depth!**

#### **Questions?**

If you have any questions or concerns please send us an email at: [bookings@globetrottingsistersllc.com](mailto:bookings@globetrottingsistersllc.com) or [typhanielynch@yahoo.com](mailto:typhanielynch@yahoo.com)

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