

SPECIAL EASTER TRIP: 13th April 2019

RESPONSIBLE AND SUSTAINABLE TOURISM IN GUINEA BISSAU. ORANGO NATIONAL PARK.



HOLIDAY FEATURES

- ★ **Duration:** 8 days / 7 nights.
- ★ **Type of journey:** Anthropology, Culture, Ecotourism and Nature.
- ★ **Accommodation:** Orango Parque Hotel, Hotel Azalai/Ledger in Bissau, Hotel Mar Azul/7Djorson in Quinhamel.
- ★ **Accommodation plan:** Full board.
- ★ **Means of transportation:** Boat and minibus/car.
- ★ **Local tour Guide:** Spanish, English and Portuguese.

For this **Easter Week**, we are offering you the opportunity to discover Guinea Bissau, a small West African country with vast natural and cultural wealth.

A commitment to **Responsible and Sustainable Tourism** that will bring us closer to the Bijagó culture - a community that inhabits the **Bijagó Archipelago** and maintains many of their ancient traditions. It is a community that is characterised by their belief in animism, thus resulting in the strong bond that they have with nature. We will also have the opportunity to learn about the activities that the NGO Artissal carries out with the local community in the Biombo Region.

We will conclude this trip with a saltwater hippo observation, a walk through mangrove forests, bird-watching, jumping-fish watching, and boat trips around small islands that will bring us to **Orango National Park** where we will have the opportunity to relax and try the local cuisine at the **Orango Parque Hotel**.

DEPARTURES DATE:

- 13th April 2019 (may be subject to changes)



ITINERARY:

Day 1: Depart from city of origin. Arrive in Bissau. Airport pick-up and transfer to the hotel in Bissau.

Day 2: "Circuito das Balobas" Tour in the morning to get to know the Papel ethnic group as well as their *balobas*, or sacred places, in the Biombo Region. After lunch we will visit the loom and will learn about the activities that the Guinean NGO Artissal carries out with the local community. Overnight at hotel in Quinhamel.

Day 3: Boat transport to Orango National Park, passing by small islands and sandbanks (4 hours by boat). Lunch at Orango Parque Hotel. A visit to the *tabanka* (village) of Eticoga and the tomb of Queen Okimka-Pampa. Overnight at Orango Parque Hotel.

Day 4: Kayak excursion through mangrove forests and bird-watching. Picnic on the beach. Overnight at Orango Parque Hotel.

Day 5: A visit to one of the most spectacular places on Orango Grande Island: the Anor Region. Possibility of observing saltwater hippos in their natural habitat, crocodiles, birds, and other interesting fauna. A walk through mangrove forests and savannahs (3-hour route). Overnight at Orango Parque Hotel.

Day 6: Full-day visit to Canogo Island to get a first-hand look at the Bijagó culture. Picnic lunch. Overnight at Orango Parque Hotel.

Day 7: A visit to the *tabanka* (village) of Ambuduco, the oldest in the National Park. We will walk along the river bed and will eventually wade across it. Mangroves and forests. The *tabanka* (village) is a key spot which is representative of the Bijagó culture (5-hour trail along a circular route). Overnight at Orango Parque Hotel.

Day 8: Boat transfer to Quinhamel followed by ground transfer to Bissau. Transfer to airport. Flight departure back to city of origin

PRICES PER PERSON	
MIN/MAX GROUP: 6/20 PASSENGERS	
Base Price	1.125€
Single Supplement	215€
Special Supplement	150€
Group Supplement 6-8 (both inclusive)	100€

INCLUDED:

- Transfers to and from Bissau airport
- Interior land and sea transport
- Full board accommodation
- Entrance tickets to the National Park and tours included in the route

NOT INCLUDED:

- International flights
- Airline fees
- Visas
- Beverages
- Tips
- Any other point not included in the "included" section

NOTE: The itinerary and visits are subject to be changed by the company depending on the weather, the tides, and route conditions.