

CARAVAN's Senegal, West Africa "ORIGINS" Tour

June 3-13, 2026 (10 days & nights)

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on a caravan to explore the
wonder of Senegal!



Touring this country of rich cultural heritage will be a transformational and unforgettable experience.

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“Senegal is one of those places that leads you to believe maybe there is hope in the world. It is a country that defies stereotypes and expectations at every turn... a multicultural, multilingual, extraordinarily tolerant society. It's someplace that everyone, given the chance, should go.”

-ANTHONY BOURDAIN, *the late celebrated chef and travel documentary*

CARAVAN Tours provide an inspiring opportunity for an enriching adventure of a lifetime through the lens of culture and art. Like a “gallery without walls,” our tours explore fascinating artistic cultures, both living and historic. Our tours are like walking off the edge of a painting, or a photograph, and into the worlds that created it.

“ORIGINS” Senegal, West Africa Tour

Overview: Our curated tour to Senegal, often referred to as the “Gateway to Africa,” will introduce you to this creative and mystical land. While Africa is considered the origin of humanity, so much of Africa’s culture, art and spirituality finds its roots in Senegal. Embedded in Senegalese culture is the Wolof word “teranga,” meaning hospitality. We will experience the welcome and warmth of the Senegalese people as we journey through this colorful country where tradition, history and modernity live in dynamic harmony.

Our tour will explore the poignant origins of the transatlantic slave trade, the “Negritude” (Black culture) movement, African contemporary art, the impact of French colonialism, and experience the wonder of African Sufism, its beautiful sacred spaces, as well as the indigenous artistic and musical expressions of a renowned Senegalese Benedictine monastery. Our caravan will take us through the vibrant capital city of Dakar, and to the UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Island of Gorée, a reminder of the dark history of the slave trade and the resilient spirits of those who were affected by it. We will travel to see the largest mosque in Sub-Saharan Africa in the sacred city of Touba, home of the Sufi Mouride brotherhood, and to the African village home of Senegal’s first president and poet laureate, Léopold Sédar Senghor, who inspired an artistic and cultural awakening within Africa.

To enhance our journey, art will be woven throughout. We will meet Senegalese artists, learn about African oral traditions, listen to West African Mbalax music and the soothing sounds of the kora instrument, savor delicious Senegalese cuisine, bask in the sun-soaked beaches of the Atlantic Ocean, walk through artistic markets, visit a magical island by pirogue, marvel at giant baobab trees and a pink lake, and safari through a wildlife animal reserve.

Insider Perspective: All our curated journeys are led by our founding president, Paul G. Chandler, who grew up in Senegal and provides a valuable insider perspective into the exploration of the peoples, cultures and spiritual traditions of Senegal.

About CARAVAN

CARAVAN is an international non-profit that focuses on building bridges through the arts between diverse cultures, peoples and spiritual traditions, through exhibitions, tours and creative engagement. For more information about CARAVAN, including our tours, visit www.oncaravan.org or email: tours@oncaravan.org



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