



## Togo - 15 day itinerary 'adventurous'

expected dates: to be determined

group size: to be determined

rooms: based on double occupancy of rooms

*Welcome to Togo!*

*Togo is one of the smaller and lesser-known countries in West Africa. It offers nature, culture, population groups, architecture, voodoo and history to the curious and adventurous traveler. This two-week trip takes you to some of the country's highlights and of the beaten path for an introduction to everyday life in rural villages from the oceanfront in the South to the savannah in the North. You meet the people and several nights are spent in villages.*

*We look forward to taking you on a journey to remember!*

### In short

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12. Agbodrafo - Aklakou
13. Aklakou - Glidji
14. Glidji - Avévé
15. Avévé - Lomé - departure



### Itinerary

#### day 1: arrival - Lomé (20k)

The day is dedicated for the journey to Togo. Arrival at Lomé international airport. Transfer to your accommodation.

*night in: Lomé*

#### day 2: Lomé - Kpalimé (125k)

The morning is used to take care of practical issues such as money exchange and arranging a local sim card and / or an introduction to Lomé.





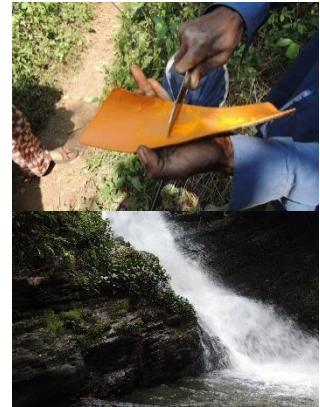
Early afternoon departure for Kpalimé in the Southwest of the country.  
*night in: Kpalimé*

**day 3: Kpalimé - Kouma Kunda (20k)**

Morning visit to Kpalimé's handicraft centres followed by the short road trip to Kouma Kunda.

Afternoon visit to the village and botanical walk. The guide explains about the flora and the butterflies.

*night in: Kouma Kunda*



**day 4: Kouma Kounda (15k)**

Day-hike on Mount Kloto to enjoy nature and villages.

A picnic lunch is eaten at the Kloto Falls.

*night in: Kouma Kounda*



**day 5: Kouma Kounda - Sokodé (330k)**

Morning visit to the monastery of Dzogbegan on the Danyi Plateau. The monks produce all kinds of natural products, including jams, creams, oils and coffee; all of which are for sale in the monastery's shop.

Continue the road-trip to Sokodé. Along the way stops are made for lunch and to your liking.

*night in: Sokodé*

**day 6: Sokodé - Bassar (60k)**

Morning visit to the Sokodé museum and to the market area, followed by departure for Bassar.

Lunch stop along the way.

The Bassar region is known for its forges and for the yam cultivation. Afternoon visit to the old iron ovens and to the yam-market.

*Optional: (depending on the authorisation of the King) fire dances at night.*

*night in: Bassar*



**day 7: Bassar - Kara (75k)**

Morning road trip via Kabou to Kara.

Kara is often referred to as the second capital. For good reason: the town has a presidential palace and everything needed for the government. If the president desires so, he can simply order the government to move to the North of the country and work can continue from Kara.

Afternoon visit to the town and the market. Free late afternoon.

*night in: Kara*



**day 8: Kara - Tamberma country (105k)**

Set out on a morning hike on Mount Kabyé. During the hike visits are made to a blacksmith, who works the hot iron with heavy stones and to a potter.

Afternoon visit to the Codhani handicraft centre, followed by departure for Tamberma country. The land of the Batammariba is known for the two-story adobe houses. In times past the tatas - as the castle like houses are called locally - were designed to provide maximum protection against hostile tribes. Even though that kind of protection is





no more needed nowadays, the Tamberma are loyal to their traditions, to their architecture and way of building.

Tonight you are the guest of a local family. The night is spent under the star-spangled sky on the terrace of a tata.

*night in: Tamberma country*

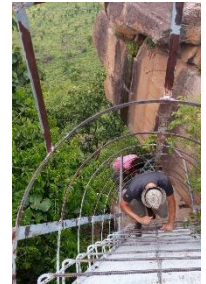


**day 9: Tamberma country - Dapaong (160k)**

Morning visit Tamberma country: a local guide explains about the customs, culture and the tatas. Late afternoon departure. Lunch stop in Kandé.

Today's destination is Dapaong the northernmost town of the country.

*night in: Dapaong*



**day 10: Dapaong - Sokodé (290k)**

Morning road trip to Nano for a visit to the caves, which were in former times inhabited. A staircase leads to the cave where old granaries are still in good shape.

Continue via Kara to Sokodé.

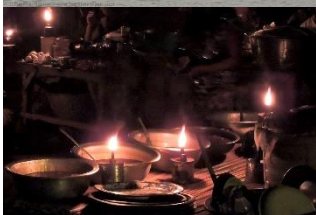
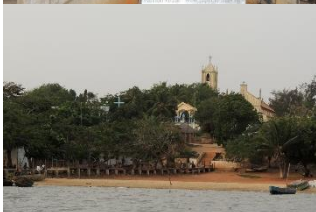
*night in: Sokodé*

**day 11: Sokodé - Agbodrafo (385k)**

Morning departure for the road trip to the South of the country. A distance of about 385k is covered today, taking you through different zones of the country from the dry savannah in the North to the lush

coastal area in the South. A late afternoon arrival is expected in Agbodrafo, where the night is spent.

*night in: Agbodrafo*



**day 12: Agbodrafo - Aklakou (50k)**

Morning visit to Agbodrafo and Togoville. Agbodrafo, in colonial times known as Porto Seguro, once was a place where people boarded boats to faraway destinations, where they were sold as slaves. The house of WOULD served as the hiding place for the people till the boats arrived. Visit the house, which is nowadays a museum dedicated for the memory of the slave history.

Cross Lake Togo by wooden pirogue for a visit to Togoville. It is here that Togoland and Germany signed a treaty in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Visit to the town and to the cathedral. Cross the lake back to Agbodrafo and continue to Aného for lunch on a terrace overlooking the lagoon. Continue to Aklakou, a village where the voodoo religion plays an important role in everyday life of the population. Don't miss out on visiting the evening market.

*night in: Aklakou*

**day 13: Aklakou - Glidji (15k)**

The day is dedicated for an introduction to the voodoo religion with visits to Aklakou and Glidji, both of which have multiple shrines and are home to Voodoo Kings.

If today happens to be a Friday, a visit to the weekly market of Vogan can be added to the itinerary.

*night in: Glidji*

**day 14: Glidji - Avévé (30k)**

The day is dedicated for exploring the villages along the Mono river.





In this part of the country the Mono river serves as the border between Togo and Benin.

You are introduced to the people, to everyday life and to traditions in the riverside villages. During the day you visit a basket maker and a potter, you're introduced to the production of palm oil and a visit is made to a sodabi brewery, where you are more than welcome to taste the local liquor. Enjoy the night camping in a riverside village.

*night in: Avévé*

### day 15: Avévé - Lomé - departure (85k)

The last day of your trip through Togo has arrived.

Morning road trip to Aného, followed by a river trip to Lomé, where a visit is made to the largest fetish market of West Africa.

Enjoy lunch and a relaxing afternoon at the oceanfront.

Transfer to the airport for your outbound flight.

*possibility to shower before departure*



## Information regarding itinerary

This trip can start on any day of the week.

Specific interests for your trip? Do not hesitate to ask us to adapt the trip to your liking.

## Rainy season

When traveling during the rainy season itineraries may need to be adjusted to the weather circumstances. The above itinerary is the guideline. Your guide will suggest adjustments if necessary.

## Suggested accommodations

Lomé	Hotel Le Galion - room with fan, private bathroom
Kpalimé	Hotel Le Geyser - room with fan, private bathroom
Kouma Kounda	Auberge Villageoise - room with fan, shared facilities
Sokodé	Auberge de Sokodé - room with fan, private bathroom
Bassar	Hotel Bassar - room with fan, private bathroom
Kara	Hotel La Douceur - room with fan, private bathroom
Tamberma country	homestay, basic facilities
Dapaong	La Bonne Aventure - room with fan, private bathroom
Agbodrafo	Hotel École Safari - room with fan, private bathroom
Aklakou	homestay/camping, basic facilities
Glidji	homestay/camping, basic facilities
Avévé	camping, basic facilities - tent and mattresses provided

Accommodations mentioned above are suggestions. The final choice depends on availability.

If any of the above mentioned accommodations is not available, the best possible alternative is chosen.

## Prices

Depending on the number of participants; [available upon request](#).

## Included

- private transport: as described in the above itinerary, including all costs related to the transport, such as driver, fuel, toll

- 🍷 **guide:** accompanying English or French spoken guide, traveling with the party and local guides and assistants
- 🍷 **activities:** all costs related to the activities mentioned in the above itinerary, including entry fees, tourist taxes, tokens of respect to village chiefs and elders, as well as transport if applicable
- 🍷 **accommodation:** as described above
- 🍷 **meals included:** full board day 2-15
- 🍷 **fair payment:** for products and services to all we do business with

## Exclusive

- 🍷 air fares and / or transport to the start of the journey and from the end
- 🍷 visa, vaccinations
- 🍷 personal insurances, such as travel, cancellation and medical insurances
- 🍷 additional and optional side trips and/or excursions
- 🍷 upgrade for rooms and/or accommodations
- 🍷 additional days
- 🍷 drinks and other meals
- 🍷 tips, souvenirs and personal expenses

## Required visa(s)

Togo            single entry visa  
                   the letter needed for the visa application is provided upon booking

## General conditions

Papillon Reizen's [general conditions](#) apply to this offer.

## Papillon funds

Papillon values taking on social responsibility. To create a balance between giving and receiving we have created the Papillon funds. By traveling with us you contribute to making a difference.

## Payment conditions

Down payment upon booking: 25%.

Payment of the remaining sum six weeks prior to the start of the trip.

Full payment upon booking, when six or less weeks are left to the start of the trip.

## Information

Extensive travel and country information is provided upon booking.