

Charlottesville-Winneba Foundation

Our Roots, Our History: Dec. 2024 Charlottesville Delegation to Winneba, Ghana

Estimated travel dates: Dec. 29, 2024-Jan 8, 2025 • Limited to 15 travelers

Itinerary highlights:

- Participation in Winneba's celebrated New Year's Day Masquerade Festival, Kakamotobi
- Participation in AfroFuture New Year's Eve party in Accra
- Memorable cultural immersion activities in Winneba, Kumasi and Accra
- Visits to historical sites that shed light on the origins and history of the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade (Cape Coast Castle, Elmina Castle, Slave River site/ancestral burial ground, etc.)
- Visits to schools, orphanages, hospitals, libraries, environmental conservation sites, and other collaborative projects supported by the Charlottesville-Winneba Sister City partnership
- Food! So much tasty Ghanaian food!

Optional activities: Tour of University of Education-Winneba; Winneba beach excursion; attendance at local football (soccer) match; worship service at Winneba church; visits with Winneba elected officials, traditional authorities and community leaders; tour of Kakum National Park & tree canopy walk; sightseeing in Accra; souvenir & gift shopping at traditional West African arts & crafts markets; etc.

Payment info.:

Cost per person is \$3,000. Fee includes airfare, hotel lodging, all meals, travel visa, ground transportation, travel health insurance and admission fees; does not include souvenirs/gifts, snacks, gratuities, vaccines/medications, passport application fee, etc. Participation is on a first-come, first-served basis; contact Tracey Howard-Gough at 2knotbroken@gmail.com or (434) 960-6088 to confirm your participation.

<u>Payment deadline is August 31, 2024.</u> Payment can be made online via http://www.paypal.me/cvillewinneba or by check to "Charlottesville-Winneba Foundation," 111 Chisholm Place, Charlottesville, VA 22902. You can pay in installments, as long as you are paid in full by August 31.

Note: the Charlottesville-Winneba Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization, so friends or family members can get a tax deduction by donating toward your trip! Please make sure they designate the traveler's name when they contribute.

Travel requirements:

- Current U.S passport beware, it can take several months to apply for or renew one!
- Ghana travel visa we apply for these as a group
- Yellow Fever vaccination must have been done within the past 10 years
- Check with your doctor about anti-malarial medicine and specific vaccines he/she might recommend (e.g. COVID, typhoid, hepatitis A, hepatitis B, cholera, rabies, meningitis, influenza)

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Note that the trip will be preceded by a series of planning meetings for participants on what to expect, what to pack, etc.