



# SENEGAL

## Colours of Senegal

### 10 Days / 9 Nights

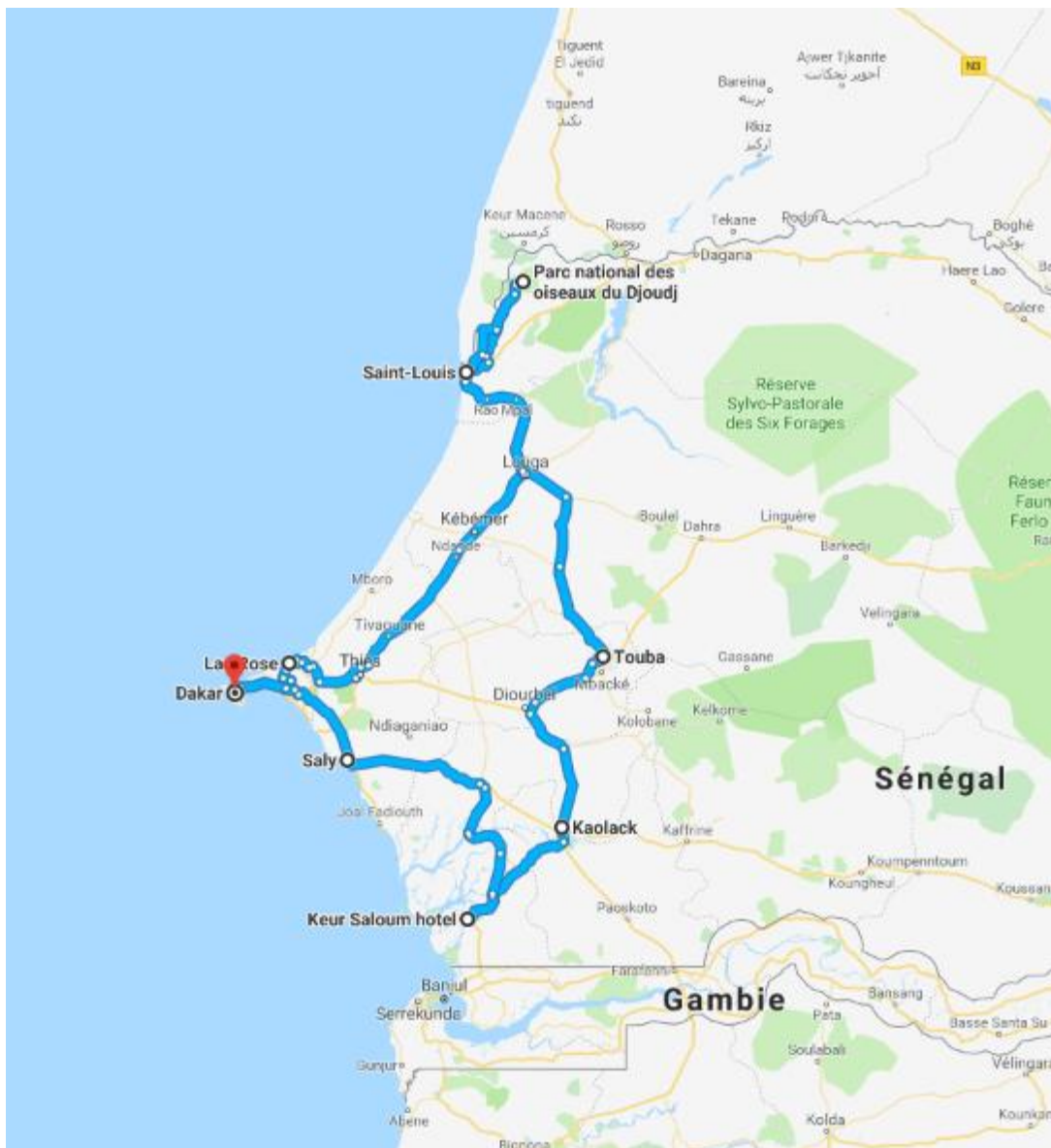


## YOUR DESTINATION

Head for Senegal for a change of scenery guaranteed by its great diversity of interests that charm you upon your arrival! Capital of a young democratic and modern republic, open to the outside world, Dakar has become a strongly modernised city of skyscrapers, where you not only find all the ethnic groups living in Senegal (Wolofs, Fula, Diolas, Lebous...) but also tourists and businessmen. Built on the Cape Verde peninsula, Dakar now has nearly 3,000,000 inhabitants and it is a mixture of traditional Africa and the 21st century.

## Your itinerary

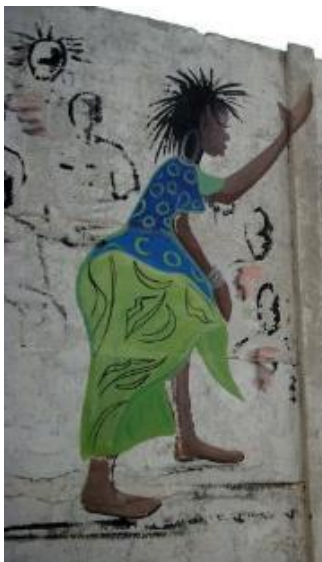
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## Your Detailed Itinerary

### DAY 1: ARRIVAL AT THE BLAISE DIAGNE DE DIASS AIRPORT/ TRANSFER TO NOVOTEL DAKAR

You will be met at the Blaise Diagne de Diass airport and transfer to your hotel for the night.  
 Dinner – If arrival at the hotel is before 10:30 PM. Drinks not included.



## DAY 2: DAKAR CITY TOUR / ILE DE GOREE & NIGHT ON THE HISTORICAL ISLAND (20min crossing on boat)

Buffet breakfast

09h00: Depart for the city tour of DAKAR, capital of Senegal, for the famous Plateau district:

- **Musée des Civilisations noires:** Inaugurated on the 6<sup>th</sup> of December 2018, the Museum of Black Civilisations is impressive with its architecture and dimensions. It is dedicated to the history of black people from the beginning of civilisation...
- **Monument de la Renaissance**, an imposing bronze and copper monument 52m high, which dominates one of the two volcanic hills of the city. The statues represent a couple and their child.
- **Théâtre National Daniel Sorano**, national scene of Senegal.
- **Cathédrale du Souvenir Africain**, the largest church in Dakar and the seat of the Archdiocese.
- **The Presidential Palace**, historic residence, which was once the residence of the Governor General of the AOF, and later that of the Senegalese Head of State.
- **The Place de l'Indépendance**, the heart of the city, surrounded by most banks and airlines companies.



Lunch at Le Lulu home or similar. Drinks not included.

Departure to the pier on the island of Gorée with your guide

16:00: Boarding the boat bound for Gorée Island, an island steeped in history and witness to the slave trade and slavery, located 4km off the coast of Dakar. The island is classified as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Crossing approx. 20min.

Arrival and check in the beautiful colonial villas and hotels of the historic island.

Guided tour of the slave house with its flowery streets and its houses with iron balconies.

After a chain of changing European colonisation, the island became from the seventeenth century one of the main bastions of the slave trade. Its buildings bear the traces of a past that is both tragic and sumptuous and exudes a charm that is both bewitching and enchanting.

Free time on the lower part of the island, where the port, shops and restaurants are located. You will have the opportunity to go shopping, to art exhibitions and find any kind of local fabric art or sand painting...

Dinner at « Chez Tonton » or similar by the sea. Drinks not included.



The night in Gorée at leisure.

## DAY 3: DAKAR / LAC ROSE & LUNCH « CHEZ SALIM » / DESERT OF LOMPOUL (170KM)

Breakfast in Gorée

Free time or discovery of the upper part of the island before returning to Dakar by boat.

9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.: Back on board the boat and heading for the famous Lac Rose.



Arrival at the Lac Rose camp ([www.hotelchezsalim.com](http://www.hotelchezsalim.com)) and check in (subject to availability of rooms)

Lunch excluding drinks at the panoramic restaurant of Chez Salim restaurant.

After lunch, board 4x4 vehicles adapted for driving in the sand, take a tour of the lake to watch the salt collectors, then continue to the dunes and to the beach.

*The pink lake or Retba Lake is located 30km northeast of Dakar and a few hundred meters from the ocean. Surrounded by dunes and casuarina trees, it is a shallow lagoon whose pink colour, sometimes bordering on purple, is due to the microorganisms that populate its bottom as well as the position of the sun. The salt is collected from the lake and mounted in white pyramids which contrast superbly with the pink of the lake and the blue of the sky....!*



Return to the camp and departure to the village of Lompoul.

Arrival at the village of Lompoul where you will take the desert jeeps from Loumpoul village to the most beautiful desert in Senegal.

Arrival and check in at the Lompoul Lodge, located on the sand dunes of the most beautiful desert in Senegal.



If time permits, camel ride on the sand dunes for 15 minutes.

*Stay in the Lodge Tents on wooden stilts, inside, an individual bathroom with shower, sink and toilet, a terrace on stilts. The Lodge of Lompoul awaits you, an oasis in the middle of the most beautiful desert dunes in Senegal. The brand new Lompoul Lodge invites you on a magical journey, discover the magic of silence, the unique sunsets over the sand dunes.*

Dinner excluding drinks at the panoramic restaurant under a tent with entertainment around the big fire after dinner.  
Overnight at the Lompoul Lodge ([www.horizons-bleus.sn](http://www.horizons-bleus.sn))

#### DAY 4: LOMPOUL / SAINT LOUIS (About 145kmS)

Breakfast in Lompoul

Departure for SAINT LOUIS, located in the north of Senegal.

Arrival in Saint Louis, which was the first capital of Senegal. She managed to keep all her charm.

Lunch excluding drinks at the Flamengo restaurant or similar in front of the river.

After lunch, check in at the hotel, on the colonial island of Saint Louis

Tour of the old town aboard a horse-drawn carriage for the discovery of the beautiful city...

Dinner excluding drinks at the hotel restaurant.

Overnight at the Résidence hotel ([www.hoteldelaresidence.com](http://www.hoteldelaresidence.com))

#### DAY 5: SAINT LOUIS / PARC NATIONAL DE LA LANGUE DE BARBARIE / SAINT LOUIS

Breakfast at the hotel

Departure to the Langue de Barbarie National Park.

*Located 18km south of Saint Louis, the Langue de Barbarie is made up of a long and narrow string of dunes, embroidered with tiny islets. This peninsula between river and ocean is also a nature reserve intended to protect the sea turtles which have adopted this beach, generally deserted, to lay their eggs.*

*Visit the park by motorised canoe, a narrow strip of land located between the ocean and the river, it is home to thousands of pelicans, seagulls, terns...*

Motorised canoe trip to the small island to discover the birds in their natural element.

Lunch at the Campement Océan et Savane restaurant.



Dinner at the restaurant of the hotel – no drinks included.

Overnight at Hôtel Résidence ([www.hoteldelaresidence.com](http://www.hoteldelaresidence.com))

#### DAY 6: SAINT LOUIS VIA TOUBA / KAOLACK/ TOUBACOUTA (350km)

Breakfast at the hotel

Kaolack, capital of Saloum, a former port specialising in the transport of peanuts.

Stop at Touba, holy city of the Mouride brotherhood, founded in 1885 by Amadou Bamba Mbacke.

A short tour of the Mosque, inaugurated in 1963, it has five minarets symbolizing the five pillars of Islam, the highest measuring 86 meters. It can accommodate more than ten thousand faithfuls. Amadou Bamba and his successors rest in mausoleums and their tombs are covered with marble and gold leaf.

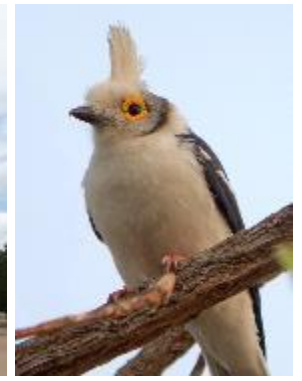
Arrival in Kaolack around midday. Kaolack is located on the banks of the Saloum river.

Lunch excluding drinks at the Relais of Kaolack restaurant or similar.

In the afternoon, continue to Toubacouta in the Saloum Delta.

*Discovery of the Saloum Delta National Park.*

*Spread over 73,000ha, the park includes islands, is buried under the mangroves, aquatic forests of mangroves, and the Pointe de Sangomar, with its sandy beaches where a huge number of sea turtles live. It is the ideal habitat for a wide variety of birds: flamingos, pelicans, Caspian terns, mocking gulls, grey-headed gulls, Goliath herons, reef egrets...*



Arrival at the hotel and check in.

Dinner (no drinks included) and night at Hôtel Les Palétuviers ([www.paletuviers.com](http://www.paletuviers.com))

## DAY 7: DISCOVERY OF FATHALA (WALK WITH LIONS / LUNCH / REPOSOIR AUX OISEAUX)

Breakfast buffet at the hotel.

Departure for a unique “walking with lions” experience at the Fathala reserve.

Return to the hotel.

Lunch excluding drinks at the hotel restaurant.

**Reposoir aux Oiseaux:** *This motorised boat excursion begins with a visit to a historic island, listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, in the middle of one of the most beautiful bays in the world. Your guide will explain all the secrets of this previously inhabited island. Then, you sail to the Birdhouse. Witness a strange phenomenon where hundreds of birds gather to spend the night safely and fly away before dawn.*



The afternoon is at leisure.

Dinner (no drinks included) and night at Hôtel Les Palétuviers

## DAY 8: TOUBACOUTA VIA JOAL / SALY (215km)

Breakfast at the hotel and check out.

Departure on board of the minibus or bus for Saly with a stop to visit Joal-Fadiouth.

*JOAL is the childhood village of the late President Poet Léopold Sédar SENGHOR. A small fishing village that has grown to become today one of the largest artisanal fishing ports in the country.*

Visit the island of FADIOUTH, called the island of shells, which is connected to JOAL by a wooden bridge.

Stroll through the small streets of the village and its incredible cemetery for the Christians and Muslims.



Lunch at the restaurant La Taverne du Pêcheur or similar.

Departure to the seaside resort of Saly

On arrival, check in at the Lamantin Beach Saly hotel and the rest of the day is free to enjoy the hotel facilities.

Buffet dinner at the hotel restaurant and overnight ([www.leramantin.com](http://www.leramantin.com)). No drinks included.

### DAY 9: DAY AT LEISURE AT HOTEL LAMANTIN BEACH SALY

Breakfast buffet

Free day to enjoy the hotel facilities (private beach/spa/gym/swimming pool)

Buffet lunch and dinner excluding drinks at the hotel. Night at the Lamantin Beach hotel

### DAY 10: SALY / AEROPORT BLAISE DIAGNE DE DIASS...

Breakfast buffet

Morning at leisure to enjoy the beach and the hotel facilities.

Check out at noon.

Buffet lunch at the hotel restaurant. No drinks included.

Depending on flight schedules, transfer to Blaise Diagne de Diass airport

### INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

- ✚ Transport by private air-conditioned 20-seater minibus or bus with a professional driver.
- ✚ Accommodation in double and single rooms at hotels and lodges as per the itinerary.
- ✚ Meals excluding drinks as per the itinerary.
- ✚ Local taxes and services.
- ✚ Visits as per the itinerary.
- ✚ Tourist sites entrance fees.
- ✚ English speaking Tourist Guide

### NOT INCLUDED

- ✚ Personal expenses and other expenses not mentioned in the itinerary.
- ✚ Travel insurance
- ✚ Anything not listed in "Included in the price" and Flights to and from Europe.
- ✚ International flights.

## Hotel List (or similar)

The hotels are luxury category (local standards). They are given for information only, subject to availability.

### DAKAR

#### HOTEL NOVOTEL

<https://www.accorhotels.com/fr/hotel-0529-novotel-dakar/index.shtml>



## LAC ROSE

### CAMPEMENT-HOTEL DU LAC ROSE

<http://www.campement-lacrose.com/>



## SAINT LOUIS

### HOTEL LA RESIDENCE

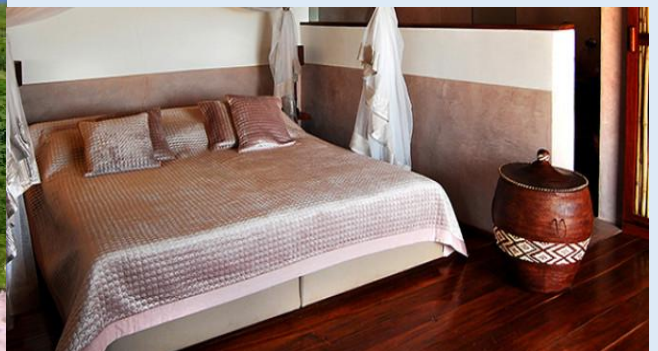
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**TOUBACOUTA**

**HOTEL KEUR SALOUM**

<http://lespaletuviers.com/>



**SALY**

**HOTEL ROYAL SALY**

<http://www.leramantin.com/>

