

**Exploring the Congo River**  
**7 days – 6 nights**  
**Brazzaville, Congo River, Malabo Pool, Maloukou, Kinshasa**  
**Ecology, Culture, History**

**This program may be operated for individual or for small groups**  
**This is a suggested itinerary – Please call us to customize**

*Explore and ride the infamous river into the heart of darkness, visit villages, tribes, and forests and view the home of millions of people in transition from the jungle to the city, the domain of untold legions of animals, and hundreds of unique and some undiscovered species of river fish and birds. Enjoy some of the best music, culture, and scenery of Africa and one of its most legendary journeys!*

**Day 1: Brazzaville**

Welcome to Brazzaville, our representative will greet you at the airport, and courteously assist you to your hotel. After you comfortably check-in, rest and relax until the evening when your guide will join you for a briefing on your tour and take you for a typical dinner complemented with a fantastic evening tour including popular musicians and bar/cafe spots. [D]

**Day 2: Brazzaville**

Kick off your day tour of Brazzaville with city sightseeing, a tank graveyard visit (if open), and traditional Congolese food for lunch. Over the course of the day you will see all of the main monuments and if requested, artist collectives and art schools. In the evening enjoy dinner at a river-side restaurant overlooking Kinshasa, and the river traffic of the two capitals. Overnight at Brazzaville. [B/L/D]

**Day 3: Congo River Cruising & Exploration**

After breakfast, depart in the morning on a motorized pirogue (traditional Congolese canoe – comfortable and motorized). Enjoy a day riding on the river past all the spectacles of the twin river cities of Kinshasa and Brazzaville, the colossal capital of 20 million across the river, and the former palaces and monuments of African History set against its skyscrapers and modern face. As we cruise, stop at midriver islands for picnic and wave to other boat traffic carrying all sorts of cargo from the interior. Dinner and overnight in tented camp. [B/L/D]

**Day 4: Congo River Cruising & Exploration**

After breakfast, depart in the morning for traveling farther down the river, deep into the interior of the country. Enjoy the views of the colossal new stadiums, universities, bridges, and monuments built for the African Games of 2015 and enjoy a picnic lunch en route. As these fade into the green, witness the mighty currents of the Malabo Pool (Stanley Pool) and the start of ancient Kongo (Kongo Kingdom,) where life outside the twin capitals is largely traditional and unchanged for ages. Dinner and overnight in tourist tented mobile safari camp. [B/L/D]

**Day 5: Congo River Cruising & Exploration**

Visit villages, savannah, rolling steppes, and forest tribes, witness local crafts (NOT gift shops) and traditional houses. Lots of villages and river life to see along the main artery of Africa, and great birdwatching opportunities over the



water as well, in the deepest, fastest river in the world. Picnic lunch en route. Gaze at the footsteps of the rainforest and watch for water animals and fish this afternoon and tonight nearby. Dinner and overnight in tourist tented mobile safari camp. [B/L/D]

**Day 6: Brazzaville**

On your return to Brazzaville cruise down closer to the opposite bank and head rapidly downstream, and view the cultural life and if lucky, river and wildlife of Congo-Kinshasa! Enjoy picnics and drinks en route. Dinner and overnight in Brazzaville. [B/L/D]

**Day 7: Brazzaville, USA**

After breakfast and hotel check-out. Time permitting, stop at local markets for last minute gifts and enjoy a casual drive through town to any places you like, before your transfer to the airport to board your connecting flight back home. [B]

[B]= Breakfast | [D] = Dinner | [B/L/D] = Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

*Note: Travelers must apply with our invitation letter at the nearest Congo embassy*

**Your Tours includes:**

- Airfare between USA and Kinshasa
- Arrival and departure transfers
- 6 nights' accommodation:
  - Brazzaville 3 nights
  - Along Congo River 3 nights
- Meals:
  - Breakfast daily
  - 5 lunches
  - 6 dinners
- Sightseeing of Brazzaville
- Brazzaville night tour
- Congo River Exploration
- Stop in villages along the river
- Visit forest tribes
- Witness local crafts
- Visit Pool Malebo
- Visit Maloukou Village

- Kinshasa sightseeing
- English-speaking guide
- Transportation in A/C vehicle
- Park permits
- Entrance fees
- Daily bottled water in the car
- All local taxes

**Tour does not include:**

- Taxes or surcharges related to airline tickets
- Travel insurance
- Visa
- All alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks
- Other meals not mentioned in itinerary
- Extras and gratuities
- Early check-in, late check-out
- Expenses of personal nature

**Hotels in your Tour:**

Location	Hotel Name	Tripadvisor
Brazzaville	Grand Hotel de Kintele	4.5
Congo River	Safari-style lodges & tented camps	n/a

Accommodation will be confirmed at time of booking

**Tour Prices:**

These programs can be customized for individuals and groups. Changes to this program may be requested by phone (1855-55-TOURS) or using the web FIT Quote Request

**• Airfare**

We also be glad to add the necessary airfare from your gateway so you take advantage of our special discounted leisure fares

- **Program**

You may add or remove;

- Trip days
- Cities and sites
- Meals

- **Other options**

- The program was designed with private services, however, we may substitute shared sightseeing where available
- If you prefer deluxe services we may operate this program including private driver, private guide and concierge service.

- **Quotation**

Once we have designed the program the way you want we'll give you a quote within 2 business days.

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**Options:**

- Lunches and dinners can be arranged for individuals, families and groups at top restaurants or any restaurant requested by you.
- We can revise the itinerary to spend more time and provide more depth in those areas that you are interested on.
- Any other changes to the itinerary will be accommodated depending on the facilities available in the area.

**Group Quotations**

- If you wish to use these programs for your group or as the basis for a customized journey please either call us (1-855-55-TOURS or use the web Group Quote Request.
- In either case our specialists will work with to refine all the details and they will get you a quote with 2 business days. Quotes may be obtained for the air and land portions of just for the land journey.
- Booking both air and land with us will represent savings for you because of our buying power and longtime relationship with the airlines.

We will also may have the choice between regular fares and special leisure fares not available to the public.