

GANVIÉ FLOATING VILLAGE TOUR – BENIN REPUBLIC

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A private journey. Remarkable experiences.

Cotonou · Lake Nokoué · Ganvié waterways · Lake Nokoué · Cotonou

YOU EXPERIENCE WEST AFRICA.
WE TAKE CARE OF THE JOURNEY.

Private cultural, heritage & nature experience

WELCOME TO BENIN REPUBLIC

CULTURE · HERITAGE · NATURE · PRIVATE COORDINATION

TOUR OVERVIEW

Discover Ganvié, the remarkable lakeside community built across the waters of Lake Nokoué and one of Benin Republic's most memorable cultural experiences. We will take you to the lakeside departure point before continuing by boat across the lagoon, where houses, schools, places of worship and community spaces rise above the water.

Travel through Ganvié's waterways while discovering how generations of residents have adapted their livelihoods to life on the lake. Observe traditional fishing, boats transporting residents and goods, waterside trading and everyday community activities before returning across Lake Nokoué, with Samap coordinating the complete experience.

TOUR AT A GLANCE

Duration: Day tour

Destination: Benin Republic

Style: Private experience · Samap Travels & Tours Ltd

Included and excluded services are set out in this guide.

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TOUR ITINERARY

SCHEDULED PROGRAMME · PRIVATE EXPERIENCE

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- We will pick you up from your hotel or agreed location in Cotonou.
- Travel comfortably to the Lake Nokoué boat departure area.
- Meet the local boat team and prepare for the lake experience.
- Begin the scenic boat journey across Lake Nokoué toward Ganvié.
- Enter the community and travel through its fascinating waterways.
- Observe stilt houses, boats and everyday activities on the water.
- Discover Ganvié's history, fishing traditions and lake-based livelihoods.
- Spend time exploring and photographing the community respectfully.
- Return by boat across Lake Nokoué to the departure point.
- We will return you to your hotel or preferred drop-off point.

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YOUR TOUR PACKAGE

HIGHLIGHTS · INCLUDED SERVICES · PRIVATE COORDINATION

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Experience the famous Ganvié lakeside community on Lake Nokoué.
- Enjoy a scenic boat journey across the lake to the community.
- Travel through waterways surrounded by traditional stilt houses.
- Discover the fascinating history behind the establishment of Ganvié.
- Observe traditional fishing and lake-based livelihoods.
- Experience boats used for transportation and everyday commerce.
- See homes, community spaces and structures built over the water.
- Discover the relationship between Ganvié residents and Lake Nokoué.
- Enjoy excellent opportunities for cultural and landscape photography.
- Experience one of Benin Republic's most distinctive cultural destinations.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Private air-conditioned transportation for the scheduled tour.
- Hotel or agreed-location pickup within Cotonou.
- Return transfer to your hotel or preferred drop-off point.
- Professional tour coordination throughout the tour.
- Transportation to and from the Lake Nokoué departure point.
- Scheduled return boat transportation across Lake Nokoué.
- Guided exploration through the Ganvié waterways.
- Scheduled Ganvié Floating Village cultural experience.
- Applicable entrance/access fees, fuel, parking and tour taxes.
- Bottled drinking water during the tour.

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BEFORE YOUR TOUR

EXCLUSIONS • PICKUP • COORDINATION

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- International or domestic flights.
- Accommodation and hotel expenses.
- Benin Republic visa or eVisa application fees.
- Airport transfers unless specifically included in the booking.
- Meals and additional beverages unless specifically included.
- Personal shopping and purchases within the community.
- Souvenirs and locally produced items.
- Optional activities outside the scheduled Ganvié experience.
- Tips and gratuities.
- Any service or activity not specifically stated as included.

PREPARE FOR YOUR TOUR

Pickup time and location will be confirmed before your tour.

Tell Samap about any mobility or accessibility requirements before the experience.

Personal purchases and services are included only when expressly listed under Inclusions.

For questions about your tour, contact info@samaptravels.com or +234 815 996 0000.

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TRAVEL COMFORTABLY

CLOTHING · PERSONAL ESSENTIALS · CULTURAL COMFORT

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Tour duration is calculated from pickup to drop-off.
- Pickup time will be confirmed before your tour.
- Wear comfortable clothing and suitable walking shoes.
- Bring sun protection and stay hydrated during outdoor activities.
- Keep a valid form of identification with you.
- Respect local customs, communities and cultural or sacred sites.
- Photography may be restricted at some locations; your guide will advise.
- Some experiences involve walking, stairs or uneven terrain.
- Programme order may change due to traffic, weather or local conditions.
- Inform Samap in advance of any mobility or accessibility requirements

TRAVEL PREPARATION

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Discover BENIN REPUBLIC with Samap Travels & Tours, through the places and experiences in your confirmed private itinerary.

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