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Senegal destination



Senegal has a rich culture, political stability which afford it the privileged status of exceptional democratic model in West Africa, a climate conducive for tourist activity with 3000 hours of sunshine per annum and more than 700 km of coasts and 530 km of paradisiac beaches. Many animal parks and wildlife reserves listed among UNESCO's world heritage sites, representing the African fauna, procure singular pleasures to wildlife enthusiasts in Sine Saloum and Eastern Senegal.

Each of the 14 regions of Senegal has cultural specificities, tourist products and sites that are peculiar to them. A diversity, which makes it possible to meet the expectations of all travellers in search of authenticity and unique experiences.

Situated on the most advanced point of the Atlantic Ocean, Senegal is a major crossway for maritime and air transport.

A combination of safety and leisure enhanced by a broad range of hotel structures thanks to the presence of major chains such as King Fahd Palace, Terrou Bi and world leaders like Hyatt, Accor and Radisson.



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1 City of Dakar



The seductive power of the Senegalese capital primarily derives from its architectural heritage, remnants of French colonization. Dakar is a cosmopolitan city with manifold treasures. From the Pointe des Almadies to Cap Manuel, it vibrates to the rhythm of the waves, revealing its festive venues, its cultural spaces and its colorful markets.

2 Goree



A link between the past and the present, Gorée powerfully attracts its visitors- famous and anonymous- who, as they meander through the lanes of the island, walk on the footprints left by the ghosts of the past. A unique place fraught with emotion where houses in antique pink suggest, through their windows, the history of an entire people

3 Monument of the African Renaissance

Ranked among the highest monuments of the world, it is composed of an imposing 52 m bronze and copper statue representing a couple and a child resting on a hill of about 100m.

Ode to Africa, it offers a spectacular view of Dakar and its beaches



4 Pink Lake

A natural curiosity, the Pink Lake is a lagoon surrounded by dunes and filao. It owes its reputation to its color, which changes from pink to mauve depending on the intensity of the sun's rays. The surroundings of the lake are an excellent playground for excursions on the dunes in 4x4, on motorbikes, on a quad or for more peaceful promenades on horse, or on camels.



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5 The Saly Portudal resort



The biggest tourism center of West Africa, the seaside resort of Saly Portudal regroups many hotels and restaurants with varied charms and eclectic animation programs. Diving into the Ocean, relaxing on the edge of the swimming pools and admiring the sunset are great classics of this destination. One can also engage in fishing, windsurfing, water skiing, tennis, horse riding, and the Golf of Saly is a course on which amateurs will easily find happiness.

6 The Bandia reserve



An animal reserve in the direct vicinity of the Saly Portudal hotels, it is open for safaris within everyone's reach. This forest with a surface area of 3500 hectares is home to a rich array of wildlife (rhinoceros, monkeys, gazelles, giraffes, reptiles...) in a setting of giant baobab trees and vines. The visitor can also discover the vestiges of Serer civilization strewn in the reserve.

7 Joal Fadiouth



Joal is a small village of fishermen, which has developed into one of the

largest artisanal fishing ports of Senegal. A guided tour of the birth house of the President poet Léopold Sedar Senghor and the island of Fadiouth, entirely built on a cluster of shells and connected to the mainland by two wooden bridges will plunge you into a magical universe.

The mixed cemetery, shared by Christians and Muslims is a fine example of the harmonious coexistence of these two religions.

world heritage sites, the Delta of Saloum is propitious for contemplation, serenity and gentleness. The boats that go back and forth the maze of bolongs (narrow arms of the sea) reveal the multitude of islands, thousands of birds (pelicans, calaots, pink flamingos...), and mammals (Hyenas jackals, warthogs, dolphins). The Saloum delta, which is among the richest fishing areas of the world, is an ideal site for recreational fishing activities.

9 The Fathala Wildlife Reserve



Enjoy a Lion Adventure – a once in a lifetime experience – as you walk through the Senegalese bush with the king of the jungle. Take the opportunity to interact with young lions and accompany them on foot through their natural habitat. A stay which offers you the chance of a romantic getaway in the shadows of the majestic African Mahogany trees.

10 Megalithic Sites of Kaolack



Kaolack, administrative centre of the region of Saloum and capital of groundnuts and salt, is a crossroads with one of the largest markets in the country. The region has a substantial number of megalithic sites or "Breton menhirs". In Niore du RIP, more than 1 000 concentric circles are erected with over 30 000 stones. They are the funeral vestiges of a civilization, which existed between the year 200 AD and the 16th century

EASTERN SENEGAL

11 Park of Niokolo Koba



Classified among the world heritage sites and International Biosphere Reserve, the park of Niokolo-Koba extends over a surface area of more than 950 000 hectares and offers a rich and extremely diverse landscape, where almost all the plant and animal species of the West African savannahs are concentrated.

It also contains small hills including the Assirik (311 m), which overhangs the water courses where animals come to drink

12 Bassari and Bédik Land

At the feet of Fouta Djallon, a wild and mountainous territory is home to the Bassari and Bédik peoples, atypical communities whose cultures

are discovered through a journey into the heart of original African rites. Osmosis with nature is translated in the rites, initiation ceremonies, the architecture of dwellings, the accounts of myths and legends. A wealth classified since 2012 among UNESCO's world heritage.



13 Dindefelo Falls

A rustle of water and then the discovery of a majestic waterfall: this is the magic of the Dindefelo Falls. From the top of the mountain, water is crushed on the different levels until it lands on the basin, in a fabulous choreography. An invitation to a refreshing bath in a source with therapeutic and mysterious virtues. Moreover, the local populations serve as guides for the discovery of the other wonders listed in the Dindefelo tourism catalogue.



CASAMANCE

14 Kafountine



In a decoration of bolongs and lagoons, Kafountine is a splendid spot for or-

SINE SALOUM

8 Islands of Saloum



Classified world reserve of the biosphere and listed among UNESCO's

nithologists and fishing enthusiasts, thanks to its magnificent beaches. Not far from there, Abéné attracts many people with its cultural activities such as its festivals and traditional ceremonies organized in December every year.

15 The island of Karabane



A former colonial counter, the island located at the mouth of the river, preserves the traces of its past as a front-rank administrative centre. Accessible by boat, the village is a paradisiac refuge covered with luxuriant vegetation: palm trees, coconut trees, baobab trees, kapok trees, mango trees, poinciana, bougainvilleas. The island is in the center of an immense halieutic field with innumerable tropical fish species; a dream spot to fish and swim with the dolphins.

16 Oussouye

Geographical crossroads of Low Casamance, Oussouye is the center of a region permeated by animism and organized in small kingdoms. It is also the cradle of culture of Low Casamance where the palm wine harvest and traditional wrestling ceremonies are celebrated every year. Oussouye also hosts the impluvium huts of Enampore and Séléki which are often transformed into camps to accommodate visitors.



17 Cap Skirring

Very popular and equipped with an aerodrome, Cap Skirring is one of the most beautiful seaside resorts of West Africa. The rare quality and extreme finesse of the sand and the densely wooded East coast (coconuts, palm trees, etc...) do not go unnoticed. Major tourism and hotel complexes operate in this area with something to suit everyone's taste. The resort made a name among lovers of good fishing

activities and there is also room for Trekking, VTT.



18 High Casamance



It is the transition between the forest area of the south and the wooded savanna of Eastern Senegal but also a great hunting zone particularly for feathered or four-legged game. Its landscapes are very beautiful. Sédhiou and its buttresses are the stronghold of the "kankouran" and the "Djambadong", the dance of the leaves.

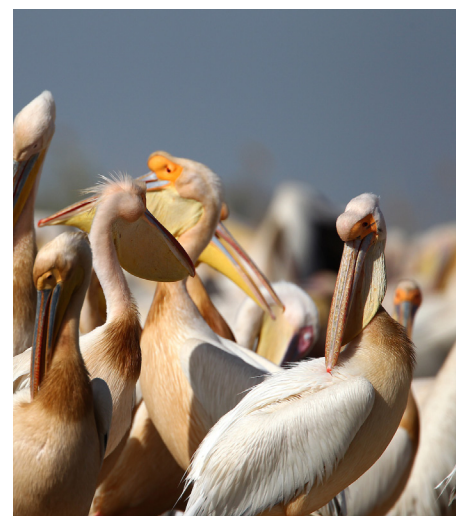
SAINT-LOUIS

19 The Old City

An island located in the River Senegal delta, Saint Louis, or the majestic "African Venice", was the former capital of French-speaking West Africa. Its colonial past is still visible through its colourful houses with wrought iron balconies which are an integral part of the city's charm. Excursions around the city on foot or by carriage reveal all the elegance of its society and its rich cultural heritage. The International Jazz Festival, the Fanal and regattas of Saint Louis are vibrating moments of the city's festive agenda.



20 Djoudj Park



Cated 70 km from Saint Louis, the Djoudj Park is the third ornithological reserve of the world. Registered on the UNESCO list of world heritage sites, the park extends over 16 000 hectares and has close to three million migratory birds including approximately 400 catalogued species (pink flamingo, white pelican, egrets, Gambian goose, grey heron ashed, ducks, great cormorants, kingfishers...)

21 The Desert of Lompoul



favourable for the the meeting of nomadic tribes, this small, ochre-coloured desert extends over some twenty kilometers upto the sea, and fascinates by its landscape of dunes. A night bivouacking in this small desert can be an original and unforgettable moment.

22 Podor Fort



Further north, the Podor Fort better known as the Faïdherbe Fort, built between 1818 and 1819, is classified world historical heritage. This site, which is 190 years old, rests on a hill which overlooks the city and offers a stunning panoramic view of the Senegal river.