



# Travel With Purpose

**New Year's Eve in Abidjan**  
December 27, 2019 to  
January 11, 2020

## New Year's Tour Itinerary \*

### Friday, December 27 – Our Journey Begins

TBD (AM/PM) Depart USA

### Saturday, December 28 – Wheels Down in Abidjan

Evening Arrive in ABJ at 8:30pm  
Residence Tourist Hotel check-in  
Plantation Nightclub (optional)

*All breakfasts are provided at hotel.*

### Abidjan: City sights, sand & lights!

### Sunday, December 29 – History, Culture & Parc

Morning Orientation and logistics  
Musée des Civilisations de Côte d'Ivoire  
Afternoon Parc du Banco guided tour, picnic lunch  
Dinner Independent  
Evening Free time

### Monday, December 30 – Jacqueville Lagoon

Morning Depart for Jacqueville  
All Day La Presqu'île du Christ Resort, Ébrié Lagoon;  
includes meals  
Evening Travel back to Abidjan

### Tuesday, December 31 – New Year's Eve

Morning Uniwax Fabric Factory  
Afternoon Market au Plateau  
Free time  
Evening Group dinner at Nuit de Saigon  
Feux d'Artifice d'Abidjan New Year's Celebration

### Wednesday, January 1 – New Year's Day

Morning Free time  
Afternoon Independent lunch  
Abidjan Zoo  
Dinner Independent  
Evening Soccer game (tentative/optional)

### Bouaké:

### Thursday, January 2 – Monuments

Morning Depart for Bouaké  
Yamoussoukro Capital Building  
Afternoon Group lunch  
Basilique Notre Dame de la Paix, Yamoussoukro  
Hotel Mon Afrik  
Dinner Group Traditional African buffet dinner  
Evening Free time

### Friday, January 3 – Collaborative Workshop

All Day WEL NGO Workshop  
Lunch on campus  
Dinner Independent  
Evening Free time

### Saturday, January 4 – Making a Difference, Together

Morning Sainte Geneviève de Katiola Orphelinat  
Afternoon Katiola tribal pottery  
Dinner Group dinner  
Evening Free time

### Grand Bassam: Beautiful Beaches

### Sunday, January 5 – The Open Road

Morning Group Brunch  
Depart for Grand Bassam  
Late Afternoon Etoile du Sud Hotel  
Dinner Independent  
Evening Free time

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## Monday, January 6 & Tuesday, January 7 – Exploring Town and Enjoying the Beach!

All Day Free time! Optional tours/free time:  
Bridge, Kodjo's art place, Bassam  
lighthouse, costume museum, Governor's  
palace, medical facility tour, Modeste  
Village (Koudoku), church/mosque,  
Bassam cemetery, Monument to the  
Dead, Pool/Beach, **umbrella drinks!**

Meals All meals are included with hotel stay

## Wednesday, January 8 – Viva La Cocoa!

Tour options Nestlé chocolate factory

Meals All meals are included with hotel stay

## Thursday, January 9 – Celebration and goodbyes

Morning	Breakfast/Free time
Afternoon	Market shopping, tailor appointments
Dinner	Group farewell dinner @ Maquis le Quai
Evening	Free time/packing/Plantation nightclub

## Friday, January 10 – Homeward bound

Morning	Last minute packing
Afternoon	Depart for ABJ airport
Evening	Depart for US at 10:30pm

\*Itinerary subject to change

# Your Koné Consulting Team and Travel Hosts



Back row, L-R: Brian Kerr, Sekou Koné, Karin Ellis, Valerie Mendoza, Ladji Koné;  
Front row, L-R: Erika Larimer, Christina Watson, Alicia Koné. Not pictured:  
student interns, Isaac Koné, Katharina Brinschwitz.

**Alicia Koné**, Owner and President, has over 25 years of experience working with health and human services agencies around the US. When not working, she enjoys spending time with her husband and three sons boating and picnicking in the beautiful Seattle area.

**Sekou Koné**, Vice President of International Affairs, emigrated to the US in 1994 from Cote d'Ivoire (CI). Sekou maintains close ties to Abidjan, CI, investing in development of affordable housing and micro-enterprise lending. In the US, as a registered nurse, his career focus has been health care. Sekou is fluent in French, English, and Mandingo.

**Brian Kerr**, Senior Consultant, is our Lean expert, designing and facilitating continuous improvement events, and keeping our IT systems running smoothly. He enjoys books, games and being with family and friends.

**Christina Watson**, Vice President of Finance and Operations, has more than 25 years in customer service with a strong background in health and human services. She is an avid fan of American football. This will be her second trip to CI.

**Valerie Mendoza**, Tour Logistics, specializes in organizing professional conferences and group tours.

**Ladji Koné**, Assistant to Vice President/International, resides in Abidjan, CI. He is interested in bridging communities through education and cultural exchange.

**Karin Ellis**, Project Manager and Consultant, has over 15 years of experience working with vulnerable populations specializing in mental health, addiction and homelessness, and is an experienced research assistant. In her free time, she likes to hike the area trails with her rescue dog, Cooper.

**Erika Larimer**, Associate Consultant and Business Development Coordinator has more than 12 years' experience in public relations and disability resource navigation. She is interested in fabric and fiber arts.