

## Venture Force – Community Project Ghana (10 Days)



### The Expedition cost includes:

International flights – UK to Accra (rtn)  
 2 Venture Force Expedition Leaders – see safety  
 2 School link teachers/staff  
 Operations room 24hrs  
 Full travel insurance  
 Public liability insurance  
 International communications package

In-country agents and chaperones  
 All in-country costs  
 Fully Interactive & proven community project  
 All food and activities  
 Team shirts  
 Heavy duty travel bag

**The Expedition cost does not include:** Vaccinations approx. £250\*. Personal equipment. Visa £51

### Outline Itinerary:

Community project	We work hard to ensure that our community projects are truly interactive and worthwhile to us and the community. The small rural village of Nyagbo Sroe is located in the hilly Volta region of Ghana, 3 hours drive north of Accra. Sroe has a thriving primary and secondary school but a very small and badly equipped kindergarten facility. At this time it has a roof but no solid floor or walls. It is exposed to the full force of the weather and detracts from the education that they are desperate to provide. Our team will assist the village to build the walls, lay the concrete floor and thus enable that all important education. Our projects are never a lick of paint and a smile!
Interactive project	Charity is never easy for proud communities to accept! We forge an informal agreement with our host community that ensures they retain self respect and dignity. In return for funds and labour they enthusiastically provide invaluable support to our team in the form of a week's worth of engaging, educational and developmental interaction. Students will arrive home having not only physically helped others, but just as importantly be more aware of their value to society and the importance of true Global Citizenship.
Interactive activities	Students will be immersed in Ghanaian rural life and take part in a host of activities. These activities include - Welcome & leaving ceremonies hosted by the traditional area paramount Chief supported by local dancers & drumming bands. Visits to Ghana's highest waterfall, a weaving village & monkey sanctuary. Experiencing a rural Ghanaian school which might include assembly, teaching and a sports competition. All activities supported by the Venture Force chaperone team comprising members of the local community.
Student development	Our Venture Force leaders are experienced in expedition life and fully committed to student development. They will manage not only formal review sessions for the team and each individual but where appropriate offer advice, support and encouragement enriching the student's experience. Post expedition support can include references where requested.

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### Safety

Venture Force never compromise on safety! Every expedition includes two experienced and qualified expedition leaders, supported by two school teachers/staff for pastoral welfare. The teachers/staff have given up their time to support the students and we value their contribution.

**Outline itinerary;** This is definitely an outline itinerary! It will be subject to local variations. The activities will all happen, but maybe not when they are expected.....that's all part of expedition life and enriches the programme.

Day	Location	Activity
Day one	Outbound flights – UK to Accra	Arrive Accra – overnight at Crystal hostel
Day two	Accra to Nyagbo Sroe	Arrival, introduction and the activities begin
Day three	Community project day 1	Work site + Interactive activity (see above)
Day four	Community project day 2	Work site + Interactive activity
Day five	Community project day 3	Work site + Interactive activity
Day six	Community project day 4	Work site + Interactive activity
Day seven	Community project day 5	Work site + Interactive activity
Day eight	Community project day 6	Work site + Interactive activity
Day nine	Team travel back to Accra	Visits to the Volta river and Accra craft markets
Day ten	Arrive UK	Arrive home
We strive to fill every moment and that the students will arrive home tired, probably dirty (maybe a little smelly) but immensely happy and proud!		

*\*Vaccinations: Venture Force try hard to provide a true cost for the expedition. However where vaccinations are concerned our hands are tied! Some students will have travelled extensively and thus require few additional vaccinations but others may require more or, due to individual medical conditions, require different vaccinations. Thus our estimation is just that! We recommend that at an early stage you visit your travel clinic, taking along our itinerary. This will give the experts a true idea of where we will be travelling and just as importantly spread the cost over the 12 months.*

*\*\*Personal Equipment: Our kit list is based around what the normal person will already have in an effort to keep cost to a minimum.*

### Overview:

By immersing students in traditional local life we provide an environment within which they consider their skills, personality, strengths and value to society. The project enriches students and provides a medium with which to compare their lives with those from different cultures, with different lifestyles, values and quality of life.

We think they'll be surprised by their preconceptions and reality!