BOU EL MOGDAD

A Timeless Journey on the Senegal River



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From the elegant Saint-Louis bordering the Atlantic Ocean, to Podor, the old trading post asleep at the gates of the Sahara, experience a unique cruise in Africa aboard the Bou el Mogdad. This mythical boat, once the only link between the populations of the River Valley, invites you today to relive the Route of the Trading Posts.

As the water flows, grandiose landscapes emerge, the riches of the fauna and flora of northern Senegal. Around the bends of the river, you meet an authentic population with unforgettable kindness, in the bush villages.

From stage to stage, the old trading posts reveal themselves, loaded with history. Take the time for discovery, for meeting, for a change of scenery, to the rhythm of the Bou el Mogdad.

Cruise Schedule 2026-2027

Departure from Saint-Louis

October: 24
November: 7 - 21
December: 5 - 19
January: 2 - 16 - 30
February: 13 - 27
March: 13 - 27
April: 10 - 24



Departure from Podor

October: 31
November: 14 - 28
December: 26
January: 9 - 23
February: 6 - 20
March: 6 - 20
April: 3 - 17
May: 1

7-day and 6-night cruise - departures every Saturday from October 24, 2026 to May 1, 2027

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The Cruise



Saturday: Saint-Louis - Visit of Saint-Louis

Arrival in Saint-Louis, CHECK IN and check-in at the Hotel la Résidence, Hotel de la Poste, Hotel Siki or similar.

Lunch at the Résidence Hotel around 1:00 pm with the guide.

In the afternoon, a horse-drawn carriage tour at 4:30 pm will allow us to discover Saint-Louis. Also on the island: the Town Hall and the Palace of Justice (first judgement in 1875), the hospital (1827), and the Ameth Fall girls' school, which has occupied a former hospital dating from 1840 since 1927. The famous Faidherbe Bridge (500 metres long) was sent to Saint-Louis in 1897 following a huge administrative error.

Dinner and overnight stay at the hotel.

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The Cruise



Sunday: Saint-Louis - Djoudj - Richard Toll - Rosso - Richard Toll

Breakfast, at 7:30 am transfer by bus to Djoudj Park.

At the end of the visit, transfer by bus to the boat at Richard-Toll ‘Richard's garden’, which takes its name from the fact that during the colonial era, in 1822, the French made it a testing ground for farming methods, shipping and settlement.

Lunch on board.

Sail to Rosso, the border town between Senegal and Mauritania, where pirogues and a ferry transport people, animals and vehicles across the river. We will see the new Rosso bridge, which is currently under construction.

Return to Richard-Toll.

At 4.30 pm, visit the town and the sugar cane fields of the CSS (Compagnie Sucrière Sénégalaise), which covers 10,000 hectares and is the main source of income for the local community.

Dinner and overnight stay on board the boat.

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The Cruise



Monday: Richard Toll - Kharé Island

Breakfast.

Departure at 9:30 a.m. by tuk-tuk to discover the 'Folie du Baron Roger', a French-style castle now closed, surrounded by banco buildings, traditional architecture of the region, and the Richard Toll market.

Return to the boat.

Lunch on board.

Around 4:00 p.m., lecture on religions.

One-hour cruise at reduced speed to Kharé Island.

At 7:30 p.m., drinks offered by the Captain.

Captain's evening.

Dinner and night on board the boat.

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The Cruise



Tuesday: Kharé Island - Dagana

Sailing towards Dagana. After breakfast, you will be offered a Senegalese cooking workshop with the head chef.

At 11:00 a.m., visit Dagana, a Wolof village known as the ‘Capital of Walo,’ a former trading post from the colonial era where it was not uncommon to see Banny or Ponty ships (colonial ships) loading gum or dropping off soldiers. Visit the prefecture, the market, and the dyer's workshop.

Traditional lunch: rice with fish or ‘tiep bou dien’ surrounded by mango and palm trees.

Return to the boat.

At 5:00 p.m., visit the oldest school in Dagana, meet with the headmaster and some teachers, then visit the fort, which has now been converted into a hotel. Tasting of bissap juice at the hotel.

Return to the boat.

Aperitif between 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Dinner and night on board.

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Wednesday: Dagana - Thiangaye

Breakfast between 7:00 and 8:00 a.m.

At 8:00 a.m., visit Goumel, a traditional Fulani village consisting of oblong huts built by women. The visit will be on foot and will be an opportunity to discover many species of trees along the riverbanks.
Return to the boat.

At 11:00 a.m., we will travel upriver to enter the heart of the African Sahel in the Toucouleur Kingdom. The beauty of the landscape and the tranquillity of these waters will only be disturbed by the splashing of a few ochre-eyed children, the washerwomen with their multicoloured loincloths, and the herds of animals that come to drink along the banks.

Lunch on board.

With our dinghy, we will venture into a small branch of the river. Stop and visit Toucouleur villages built entirely of earth on the steep banks of the Senegal River. These villages are the oldest villages on the river, dating back to the 13th century.

Departure at night for a mechoui dinner on the banks of the river by storm lamp.

Night on board.

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Thursday: Thiangaye - Diatar - Podor

Heading towards Podor, we will make a loop around the village of Diatar to extend the cruise before docking at the Podor quay.

Arrival in Podor, a former trading post during French colonisation. Today, commercial activity no longer takes place on the river and its stone quays eagerly await your arrival. The trading houses lining the quays with their large courtyards and warehouses that once contained gum arabic, firewood, ivory and slaves are now the vestiges of a not-so-distant past.

You will visit the fort built by Faidherbe, which is currently being restored, and relive a little of this period of history.

At the end of the afternoon, we will visit the old trading posts of the Cour du Fleuve and the Auberge du Tekrour, then we will go to the Fort of Podor. Finally, those who wish to do so can take a stroll through the market and wander through the peaceful alleys, or sit on the steps of one of these old houses to watch the sunset over the Mauritanian shores.

Dinner and overnight stay on board.

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The Cruise



Friday: Podor - Saint-Louis

Breakfast on board then transfer to Saint-Louis by bus.

End of our services.

Depending on the direction of the cruise, you may start the stay from Podor, with the visits remaining the same as in the Saint-Louis - Podor direction (Last night at the Hotel Residence or equivalent in Saint-Louis).

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The Boat



Technical Specifications

- 52 meters long and 10 meters wide
- Riveted steel hull
- 2.5 meters draft
- 2 Sulzer 200 HP engines running at 300 rpm
- 3 generator sets
- Annex: 1 barge that can accommodate 80 passengers

Onboard Facilities

- 5 levels
- 1 indoor restaurant
- 1 outdoor lounge
- 2 bars
- 1 pool
- 1 solarium (with bar)
- 1 covered terrace
- 1 library
- 1 shop
- 1 massage room
- 1 multipurpose room (with projector and sound system)

Safety

- 1 life jacket per person
- Onboard pharmacy
- Annual merchant marine and fire safety
- Insured by AGF Senegal
- Training of the entire crew in important procedures for fire and ship abandonment

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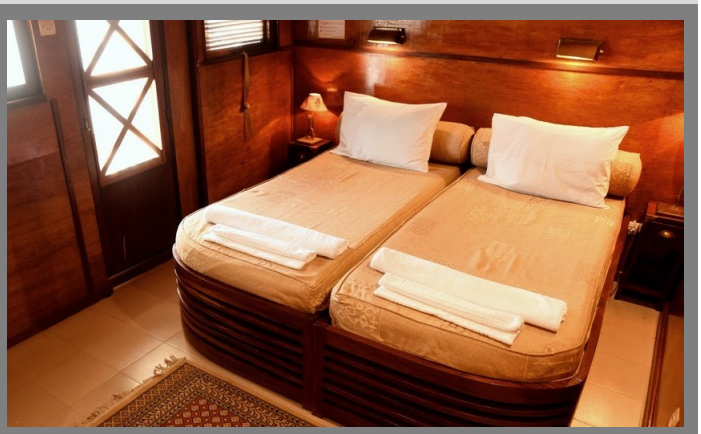
The Cabins

The boat has 25 cabins, all of which open onto the external corridors:

- 6 **Standard** cabins with double bed
- 6 **Comfort** cabins with double bed
- 8 **Comfort** cabins with twin beds
- 3 **Comfort** cabins with double/twin bed + single bed
- 1 **Luxury** suite with double bed
- 1 **Luxury** suite with double bed and single bed



Standard cabin



Comfort cabin



Rear suite



Front suite

The Standard cabins are equipped with a sink, a fan, and storage spaces (6 toilet cabinets and 6 shower cabins are available for the occupants of the Standard cabins, on 2 levels).

The Comfort cabins and the Luxury suites are additionally equipped with a bathroom, a toilet, and air conditioning.

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Pricing 2026-2027

€ 1 = 655.957 CFA	Adult in All Inclusive	Promotional prices for cruises on April 24 and May 1, 2026
Standard cabin	**€ 890 / 583 801,73 CFA**	**€ 712 / 467 041,38 CFA**
Single supplement	*€ 240 / 157 429,68 CFA*	*€ 192 / 125 943,74 CFA*
Comfort cabin	**€ 1 275 / 836 345,17 CFA**	**€ 1 020 / 669 076,14 CFA**
Single supplement	*€ 360 / 236 144,52 CFA*	*€ 288 / 188 915,61 CFA*
Luxury suite	**€ 1 660 / 1 088 888,62 CFA**	**€ 1 328 / 871 110,90 CFA**
Single supplement	*€ 480 / 314 859,36 CFA*	*€ 384 / 251 884.48 CFA*

Note: The prices are calculated based on the current price of diesel; in case of a significant increase due to the global situation, we reserve the right to reflect it on the cruise pricing without exceeding a rise of more than 5% for 2027.

Included Services:

- **The excursions** as mentioned in the program
- **The full board and the "All In" package** (open bar and drinks at the table)
- **The French and English-speaking guide** during the excursions
- **The transfers** Saint-Louis > Boat > Saint-Louis for cruises of **6, 5, or 4 nights**

Services not included:

- **The Christmas Eve supplement** at € 60 / 39 357,42 CFA and **New Year's Eve** at € 90 / 59 036,13 CFA.
- **The transfers** Saint-Louis > Boat > Saint-Louis for cruises less than **4 nights**

Special Conditions:

- **Complete and exclusive chartering** of the Bou el Mogdad (for 6 days): € 44 000 / 28 862 108 CFA (50% deposit required 6 months in advance), plus €120 / 78714,84 CFA per person (for the All Inclusive package).
- **Child from 5 to 11 years old** in half-double with adult: -30 % (with "All Inclusive" package without alcohol)

Cancellation Policy:

If you cancel your trip, you will be charged the following cancellation fees:

- More than 90 days before the date of embarkation: **€ 100.00 / 65 595,70 CFA fixed fee**
- Between 60 and 31 days before the date of embarkation: **50% of the total cost of the cruise**
- Between 30 and 15 days before the date of embarkation: **60% of the total cost of the cruise**
- Between 15 and 8 days before the date of embarkation: **75% of the total cost of the cruise**
- Less than 8 days before the date of embarkation: **100% of the total cost of the cruise**

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