West Africa, unlocking the potential



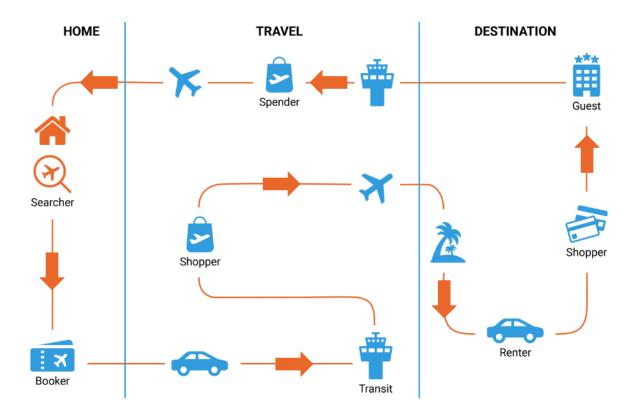
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November 2022

The traveller is a different economic agent at each stage of the journey

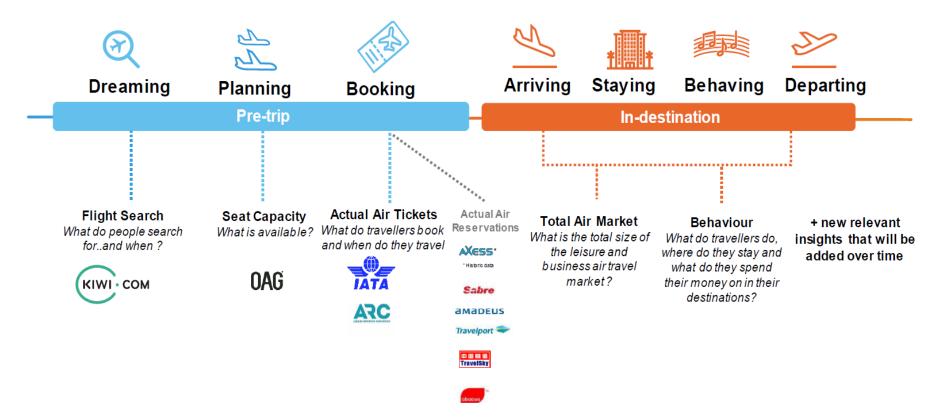


ForwardKeys ability is to zoom in by segment of relevance for a particular industry



ForwardKeys gathers, processes & enriches travel data to provide the most comprehensive picture of these travellers as economic agents







Global trends

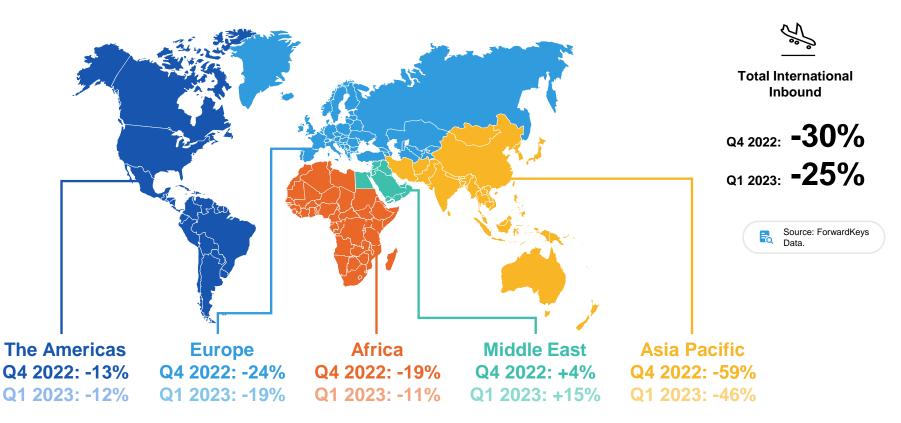




Africa is catching up with the Americas and Middle East

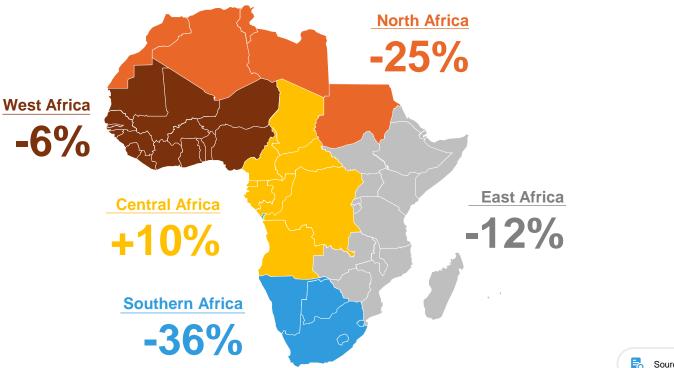
International worldwide arrivals, October to December 2022 vs 2019 and Q1 2023; vs 2019 levels





Long-haul travel driving recovery faster in West and Central Africa

International long-haul arrivals, October to December 2022 ; vs 2019 levels





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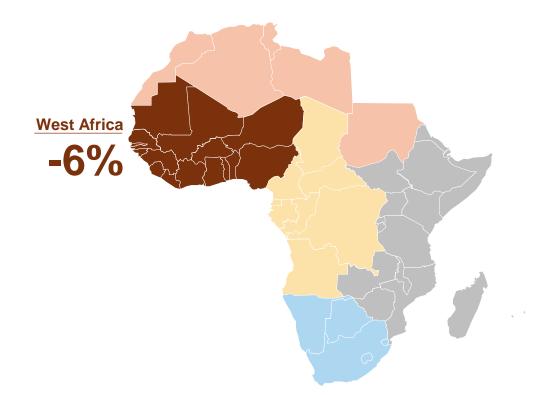
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Cape Verde is the best performer in Q4

International long-haul arrivals, October to December 2022 ; vs 2019 levels





Destinations	Vs 2019	
Cape Verde	+10%	
Ivory Coast	-3%	
Ghana	-9%	
Senegal	-10%	
Nigeria	-16%	



The top 3 markets are leading the recovery: France, Spain and the USA

Long Haul International Arrivals into West Africa in Q4 2022, as of 06 September; vs 2019 levels

Destinations	Q4 2022	Volumes
Portugal	+27%	
Germany	+11%	
+ Canada	+3%	
Belgium	+1%	
France	+1%	
Spain	0%	
U.S.A	-2%	
United Kingdom	-8%	



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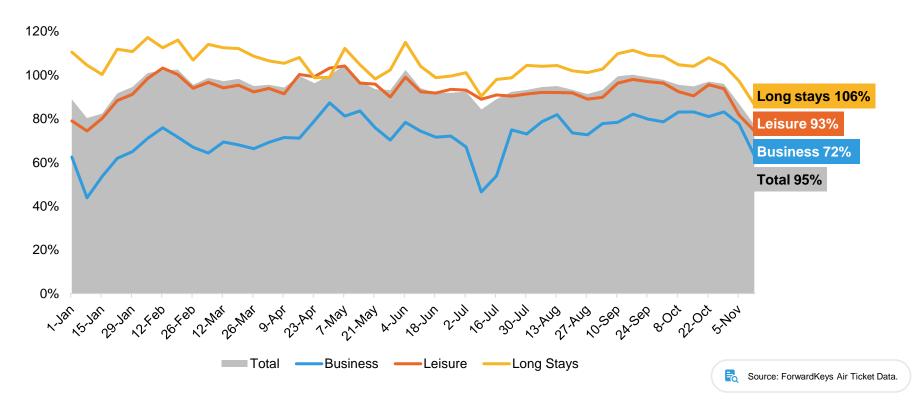
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Long haul, long stay: The most resilient segment



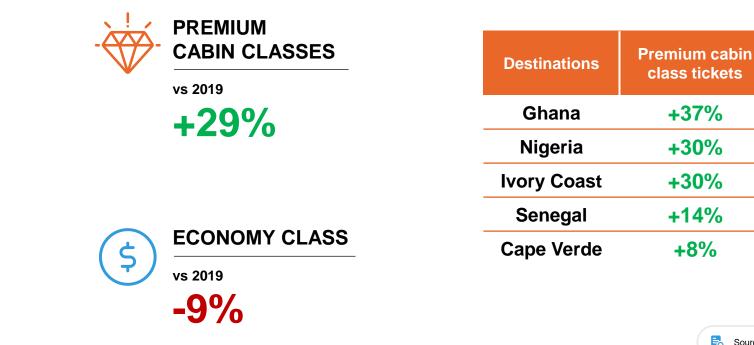
Tickets issued between 1 January to 12 November 2022 for Long Haul travel to West Africa at any time in the future, % of 2019 levels



Niche segment, high impact: Travellers spending more on premium services



Long Haul International Arrivals into West Africa in Q4 2022 as of 18 November; vs 2019 levels



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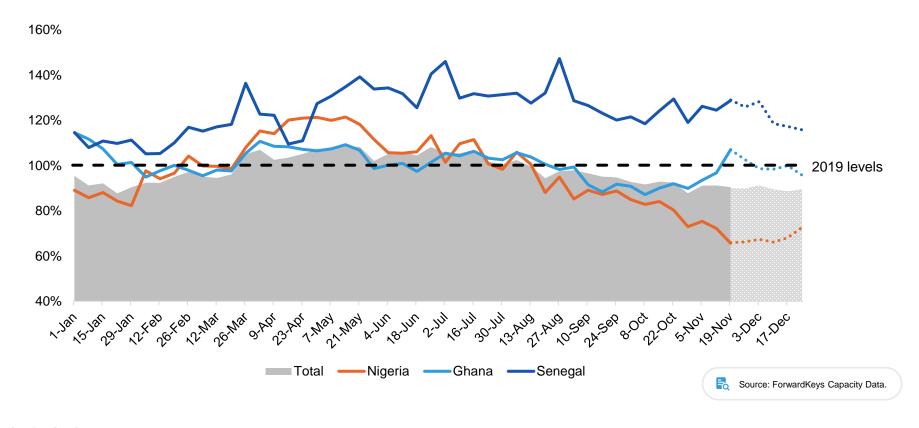
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Capacity evolution for West Africa

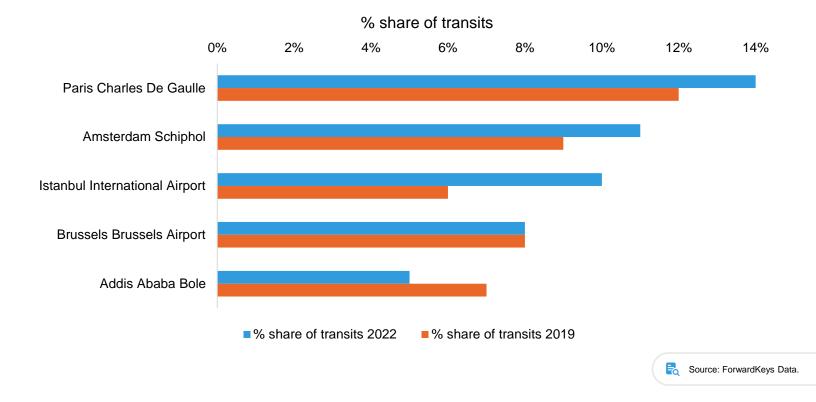


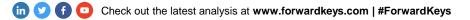
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Istanbul gaining prominence as a connecting hub for West Africa

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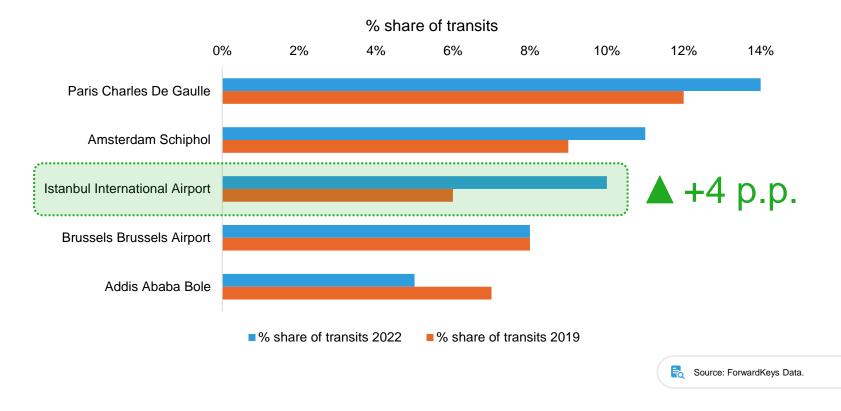






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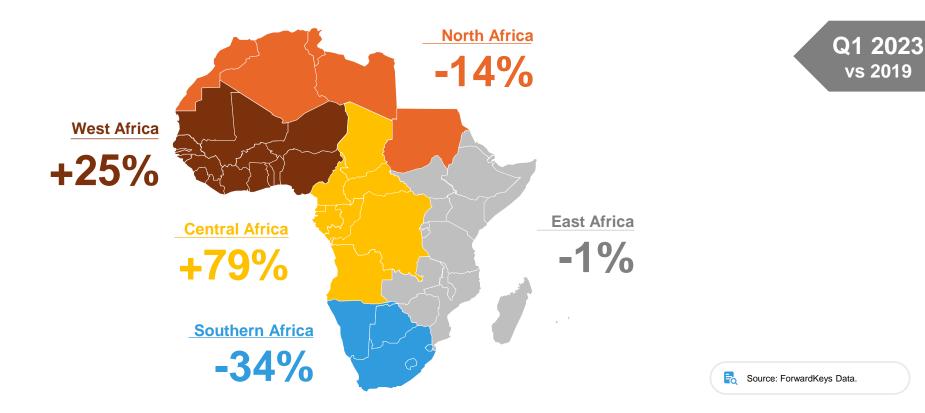




Central and West Africa will be the best performing sub regions

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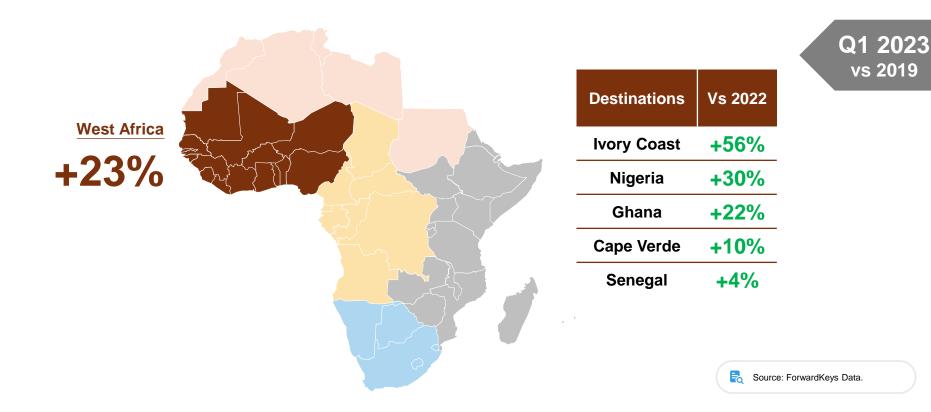




Ivory Coast and Nigeria will lead in Q1 2023

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European source markets are making the most searches for travel to West Africa



Long Haul Flight searches into West African countries in October 2022

Ghana	Ivory Coast	Nigeria	Senegal	Cape Verde
U.S.A.	France	United Kingdom	France	Germany
United Kingdom	Spain	U.S.A.	Spain	Portugal
Germany	U.S.A.	Germany	Italy	France
Spain	Italy	Canada	Germany	Spain

Source: ForwardKeys Flight Search data.

Take-Aways



Long haul traveller are driving the recovery this year

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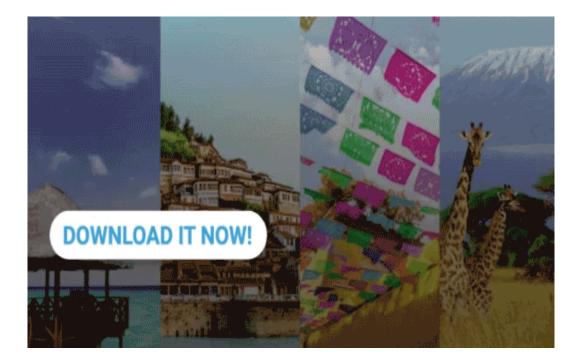
These travellers are staying longer and are flying in more premium cabins

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Seamless connectivity is vital for encouraging travellers

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