

Tour Name: Travel to Omo Valley Tribes

Transportation: Drive

Duration: 9 Days and 8 Nights

Accommodation: Hotels and Lodge

Group Size: 2-12 Pax

DETAILED ITINERARY

Day 1: Arrival at Addis Ababa airport and Met by our staff, city tour

Morning, drive to the National Museum of Ethiopia for visiting the long-age history of Ethiopia and the oldest human ancestor, Lucy. Set within Haile Selassie's former palace and surrounded by the beautiful gardens and fountains of Addis Ababa University's main campus is the enthralling Ethnological Museum. Even if you're not normally a museum fan, this one is worth a bit of your time – it's easily one of the finest museums in Africa. Before lunch, drive to Holy Trinity Cathedral Church which has a unique architectural style.

Immediately after a relaxed lunch, drive up to the Entoto Mountains, the best location to observe the panoramic view of the capital. It is also a historical place where Menelik II resided and built his palace. It is notable as the location of a number of celebrated churches, including Saint Raguél and Saint Mary (Maryam Church). The return drive will be via Piazza with en-route visit to St. George Church and Menelik II Square towards the largest open-air market, Merkato.

THINGS TO DO

- **The National Museum of Ethiopia**
- **Ethnography Museum**
- **Holy Trinity Cathedral**

Overnight Stay at Golden Tulip Hotel or similar, Addis Ababa.

Day 2: Drive to Arba Minch

Drive to Arba Minch, En route, you will visit Alaba Village.

THINGS TO DO

- **Alaba Village**

Overnight stay at Haile Resort or Similar, Arbaminch.

Day 3: Boat trip on Lake Chamo and Dorze Village

In the morning, you will have a boat trip on Lake Chamo to see crocodiles, hippos and water birds. After a relaxed lunch, you will drive to the highlands of Chencha for visiting the Dorze People with Their even more intricate huts and weavings and their way of living then drive back to Arba Minch for overnight.

THINGS TO DO

- **Lake Chamo**
- **Dorze Village**

Overnight stay at Haile Resort or Similar, Arbaminch.

Day 4: Drive to Jinka

On the way visit the Konso small town, where the people wear colorful costumes, and use their steep land through impressive terracing; through annual wooden grave marks, they express their status. Their three-story community house called Mora is impressive; all the young boys above 12 years old stay there every night inside till they marry. - Have lunch in Weyto and continue driving to the town of Jinka.

THINGS TO DO

- **Konso**

Overnight stay at Eco Omo Lodge or similar, Jinka.

Day 5: Excursion to Mago Park to visit the Mursi Tribe

Drive to Mago National Park to visit the Mursi people in their village. The Mursi are well known for the large clay discs their women wear inserted in their lower split lip. The Mursi women start cutting their lips between the age of 12 and 16 and thereafter, they put small wooden plugs into the hole and change it every night with the bigger one to stretch the lips



till it can hold a 6 inch (15cm) round clay disc. The Mursi men wear very little, although a cotton wrap is becoming more common now. Then, drive to Turmi for overnight.

THINGS TO DO

- **Mago National Park**
- **Mursi Tribe**

Overnight stay at Paradise Lodge or similar, Turmi.

Day 6: Excursion to Omorate

Cross Omo River to visit Dassanech tribe, afternoon Hammer village the First time, in the Omo Valley, travelers witness Ethiopia's many ethnicities and cultural traditions. The Southern Cultural Route takes travelers to the heart of the most remote tribes, whose animist beliefs strike a chord with the true African experience.

In the afternoon drive to Hammer people who have a bull-jumping ceremony; This ceremony is a transformation for young boys from young to adulthood; During the ceremony, you see the real Hamer traditional dance called Evangadi; and also the women from the jumper's family are being beaten by his friends to show their love to the Jumper and that he is ready for adulthood.

THINGS TO DO

- **Dassanech Tribe**
- **Hamer Tribe**

Overnight stay at Paradise Lodge or similar, Turmi.

Day 7: Drive back to Arba Minch

After breakfast, your return drive to Arba Minch starts. En route, you might have a chance to see colorful markets at Key Afer (Thursdays) or Dimeka (Saturdays).

Overnight stay at Haile Resort or similar, Arba Minch.



Day 8: Travel to Hawassa

Morning, drive to Hawassa. The drive takes 5-6 hrs with some stops for great photography. Afternoon, you will drive a few miles away to visit the scenic Wondo Genet which is popular for its spring water and forest. Drive back to Hawassa and overnight.

Overnight stay at Haile Resort or similar, Hawassa.

Day 9: Drive back to Addis and Departure

In the morning, you will visit the fish market at Hawassa. Then drive to Adfdis Abab via Abitta Shalla National Parks. You will arrive late in the afternoon in Addis Ababa. Based on your interests and international departure times, we can arrange a quick shopping session in the capital. The tour ends with a drop off at Bole International Airport for your flight.

END OF TOUR!

QUOTATION DISPLAY

NET RATE PER PERSON IN USD							
GROUP SIZE	1	2-3	4-5	6-7	8-9	10-11	12
Bed and Breakfast Basis	3509	2050	1447	1375	1242	1194	1135
Full Board Basis	3779	2320	1717	1645	1512	1464	1405

INCLUDED:

- 8 Nights Hotel Accommodation on a Shared Room Extra **USD 219.00 per person** for Single Room Supplement;
- All ground transportation by an Air-conditioned Toyota Mini(1-6 pax) and Coaster bus(7-12 pax);
- Professional English Speaking Guide: Extra **USD 524 per group** for French speaking guide;
- All meals from lunch day 1 to dinner day 9 (**Optional**);
- All fuel costs as required by itinerary;
- All entrance fees;
- Airport Transfers;
- Boat Transfer on lake Chamo;
- Local Guide fees;
- Bottled mineral water in the vehicle (2 lt per day);
- Government tax associated with the trip.

NOT INCLUDED:

- Any accommodation on the last day;
- FOC Leader;
- Gratuities and Personal Natures;
- Alcoholic Expenses;
- And what is NOT included in the Inclusion List.