



South-West Ethiopia Jimma, Gambella, Lake Wenchi

10 Days/ 9 Nights

Day 1: Arrive at Bole International Airport (Addis Ababa) and transfer to the hotel. Overnight in Addis Ababa.

Day 2: Drive from Addis Ababa to Jimma. Visit the Gurage tribe, known as “the hardest working people of Ethiopia”. Pass through beautiful landscapes as you drive through the Gibe River Valley. Overnight in Jimma.



Day 3: After a morning visit to the Palace of Abba Jiffar, the former King of Jimma, continue your drive to Mizan Tefari via Bonga. Bonga is in ancient Kingdom of Kaffa, the birthplace of coffee. You will have an opportunity to visit a traditional Kaffa house and learn about the culture of the Kaffa people. You will also pass through the Belete Forest, where you can visit the Colobus monkeys. Overnight in Mizan Teferi.

Day 4: Drive from Mizan Teferi to Metu stopping to hike and visit the Sor Waterfall. Overnight in Metu.

Day 5: Continue from Metu to Gambella via Bure. After passing Bure, you will descend into the Baro Valley to the steamy Western Lowlands, finally arriving in the town of Gambella, set on the banks of the Baro River. Overnight in Gambella.

Day 6: Today you will explore the Gambella National Park, heading south to Lake Alwara and Lake Tata. Gambella National Park is the most remote National Park in Ethiopia and is full of interesting and unique wildlife including the shoebill stork as well as elephants, baboons, buffalo, lion, antelope and monkeys. Lake Tata is home to local Anuak people, and you will camp nearby their village.



Day 7: Today you will explore more of the Gambella National Park and its inhabitants - the Anuak and Nuer people. Return to Gambella for the night.

Day 8: Drive to the town of Nekemte. Passing through the Didessa Wildlife Sanctuary, home to many large mammals. Overnight in Nekemte.



Day 9: Drive from Nekemte to Ambo. With several waterfalls in the area, this is a nice place for small hikes and fresh air. Soak up the therapeutic hot spring pool and stay overnight in Ambo.

Day 10: Head back to Addis Ababa, stopping at Lake Wenchi for the day. Lake Wenchi sits in the collapsed crater of Mt. Wenchi and is home to an island monastery, Cherkos. We will have rooms at a hotel in Addis to repack before we have our traditional last night meal at one of the finest restaurants in Addis and later transfer to the airport in time for flight back home.

Price Includes:

- All transfers and ground transport: Minivan for 1-6 pax, & Coaster bus for 7 pax and above.
- Accommodation on F/B basis (bed, breakfast, lunch and dinner)
- All entrance fees as per the program
- English speaking guide and helpers
- Government tax and service charge
- Day use room on the last date of the tour

Price Excludes:

- International flights
- Domestic Flights
- Alcoholic drinks
- Photographic or video camera fees, if any
- Expenses of personal nature such as telephone calls, laundry service, internet, souvenirs, tips to hotel staff and other service providers

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