

## 8 Days Omo Valley Tour 6-13 October 2018 (Ethiopia)



Details: <http://myescapetonature.com/tours/omo-valley/>

### **Day 1- City tour of Addis Ababa / 6 October, Saturday, 2018**

Meet and greet you at the parking lot of the Airport and transfer you to the hotel. After 2 hour we will meet again for a city tour. Start the day looking down on Addis Ababa from Entoto Mountain, here you will visit the Entoto Maryam church and museum. After lunch continue with a visit to the National Museum, where Ethiopia's oldest resident, Lucy, is housed. Close to the National Museum is the Selassie (Trinity) church, one of the most important churches of Addis Ababa Finish the day with visiting Merkato, the local marketplace which is said to be Africa's largest open-air market, **overnight Sapphire Addis Hotel** [www.sapphireaddishotel.com](http://www.sapphireaddishotel.com)

### **Day 2- Addis- Arba Minch 505 Km Asphalt road (Take 7-8 Hours) 7 October, Sunday**

Early in the morning, depart south from Addis Ababa for a full day's drive to Arba Minch via Butajira, on the way visit Tiya stele classified by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site (**Take 40 Minutes**). These steles are believed to have been erected between the 12<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> centuries. Then continue driving enjoy the fresh air and the view over lakes Abaya and Chamo, **Overnight in Arba Minch Paradise Lodge.** [www.paradiselodgeethiopia.com](http://www.paradiselodgeethiopia.com)

### **Day 3- Addis –Konso-Jinka 275 Km Asphalt road (Take 5-6 Hours) 8 October, Monday**

In the morning, take a boat trip on Lake Chamo to visit the “crocodile market”, and the local hippos (**Take 1:30-2:00 hours**). Afterwards, depart from Arba Minch to Jinka. After lunch you will visit Konso people village (Konso is classified by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site). Today you will have a brief opportunity to visit a local village and the cultural museum displaying many waka statues (**Take 1:30-2:00 hours**). Then proceed to Jinka, **Overnight Jinka Resort /Orit hotel / Nasa Pension No web Site**

### **Day 4- Jinka – Mursi – Jinka - Turmi 250 Km (120 Km + 88 Km rough road and 42 Asphalt road) Take 5-6 Hours / 9 October, Tuesday**

In the morning excursion to Mursi tribes village. Mursi tribes is the most famous tradition includes the lip plate worn by the women (**Take 40 Minutes to 1 hour**). The origin of this

tradition is not known but the Mursi themselves consider it as something that makes them distinguish from the surrounding tribes. Afternoon, you will be proceeding to Turmi. Late in the afternoon you will visit Hamer village (**Take 40 Minutes to 1 hour**), **Overnight Buska Lodge or Turmi Lodge** [www.buskalodge.com](http://www.buskalodge.com) or [www.turmilodge.com](http://www.turmilodge.com)

**Day 5- Turmi – Karo – Turmi – Omorate – Turmi 300 Km (150 Km +5Km rough road and 145 Km Asphalt road) Take 5-6 Hours / 10 October, Wednesday**

In the morning take a day trip to visit Karo at the Korcho village with beautiful views over the Omo River, the Karo people are famous for their body painting (**Take 40 Minutes to 1 hour**). Afterwards, return to Turmi have lunch, drive to take a day trip to Omorate to visit the Dassenech tribe. Here you will cross the Omo River by local boat and enter a Dassenech village (**Take 40 Minutes to 1 hour**). Afterwards, return to Turmi **Overnight Buska Lodge or Turmi Lodge** [www.buskalodge.com](http://www.buskalodge.com) or [www.turmilodge.com](http://www.turmilodge.com)

**Day 6- Turmi – Weyito – Erboore- Weyito - Arba Minch 390 Km (88 Km +100Km rough road and 202 Asphalt road) Take 6-7 Hours / 11 October, Thursday**

In the morning, drive to Arbaminch on the way visit the Erboore people (**Take 40 Minutes to 1 hour**) then proceed to Arbaminch, **Overnight in Arba Minch Paradise Lodge.** [www.paradiselodgeethiopia.com](http://www.paradiselodgeethiopia.com)

**Day 7- Arba Minch – Dorze – Hawassa 325Km (50 Km rough road and 275 Asphalt road) Take 5-6 Hours / 12 October, Friday**

In the morning depart from Arba Minch to Dorze Village in the afternoon. Dorze, set in the highlands above Arba Minch. The Dorze people are known for their tall beehive-like houses and their fine cotton weaving. You will visit the village and learn about the daily lives of these industrious people (**Take 40 Minutes to 1 hour**). Then drive to Hawassa, **overnight Haile Resort** [www.hailehotelsandresorts.com](http://www.hailehotelsandresorts.com) (Hawassa)

**Day 8- Hawassa – Addis 275 Km Asphalt road / 13 October, Saturday, 2018  
Take 4-5 Hours**

In the morning after breakfast, visit the fish market on the shores of Lake Hawassa (**Take 30-40 Minutes**) and then proceed driving to Addis Ababa. In Addis you will have Dinner in traditional restaurant with folkloristic dances of different regions then transfers to the Airport for your international departure

**The price is £1295**

**The above price will include all the services mentioned hereunder;**

- Accommodation in twin room in Hotel or Lodge (single room supplement £150)
- Meals on full board basis.
- Transfer and city tour and Drive with Mini bus including fuel and driver allowance
- Drives with 4WD Toyota Land Cruisers or Nissan Patrol including Fuel and driver allowance South Omo Valley
- English speaking guide with adequate travel and safety experience.

- Local Guide and scouts as per the above program.
- All entrance fees, embarkation fees and Boat trip on Lake Chamo as per the program
- All government Tax.

**The following services ARE NOT INCLUDED in the above stated price:**

- International Air Ticket, visas and insurance.
- Payable beverages and drinks,
- Tips and any other expense of personal nature.
- Porter fees at the airport
- Video camera and photography fees
- Any services that are not mentioned in the above Section.

**Payment option**

£245 Deposit payment on booking, £350 due 1 July, £350 due 1 August, £350 due 1 September

**SUGGESTED FLIGHT**

Please check [www.skyscanner.net](http://www.skyscanner.net)

**Outbound flight: 5<sup>th</sup> October, Friday**

**Return flight: 14 October, Sunday ( Saturday night arriving to London Sunday morning)**

**Outbound, Fri, 5 Oct 2018**



21:00

LHR London Heathrow

06:35<sup>+1</sup>

ADD Addis Ababa

**Arrives: Sat, 6 Oct 2018 Journey duration: 7h 35**

**Return Sun, 14 Oct 2018**



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07:00

LHR London Heathrow

**Arrives: Sun, 14 Oct 2018 Journey duration: 7h 45**

**You can extend your trip with a trip to Seychelles or hiking trip in Ethiopia  
please ask**