



## Ethiopia Cultural Tour

### A Journey Through the Land of Origins

11 Days, 10 Nights Package

March 28 – April 7, 2024

#### Day 1, Thursday March 28th: Arrival In Addis Ababa

**Minimi Ayidelemi** to Abyssinia, land of origins! You will be whisked off in a modern air-conditioned vehicle to your 4-star accommodation in the heart of Addis Ababa. You'll enjoy a sumptuous meal before retiring for some much-needed rest.

**Accommodation:** [Getfam Hotel](#)

**Meals:** Dinner



## Day 2, Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>: Welcome to Jinka

After breakfast you will depart from Addis Ababa to Jinka via Ethiopian Airlines, where you'll be greeted with stunning views of the Ethiopian landscape. Upon arrival you will check-in at the hotel and hit the ground running with a city tour that includes the famous Jinka museum. Enjoy the serene and tranquil surroundings before convening for a traditional welcome dinner and live music.

**Accommodation:** [Eco-Omo Lodge, Jinka](#)

**Meals:** [Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner](#)





### Day 3, Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup>: Welcome to Turmi – Mursi & Hamar People

After breakfast you will be driven to Mago national park to visit the **Mursi ethnic group**, who are known for their lower lip and earlobe plates. Afterwards, you will continue driving to **Turmi**, home of the **Hamar people**. On the way, stop in **Dimeka for the local market**, which is on Tuesdays and Saturday. [This is one of the most colorful markets in the South Omo and is visited by neighborhood Hamar, Benna, Karo, Tsemai and Ari tribes.](#) At night, enjoy the **traditional night dancing of the Hamar people, known as Evangadi**. After a full day of adventure, retire to the comfortable and welcoming Turmi Buska Lodge for a relaxing overnight stay.

**Accommodation:** [Buska Lodge, Turmi](#)

**Meals:** [Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner](#)





## Day 4, Sunday March 31<sup>st</sup>: Day Trip to Omorate – Dassenech & Karo People

After breakfast you will embark on a day trip to [Omorate to visit the Dassenech or Karo people](#). Here you will Cross the [Omo River by local boat](#) and enter a [Dassenech village](#) or Karo tribe. The Karo people are the smallest in number of all the tribes of the [Omo Valley](#), and they are known for their elaborate decorations particularly during local ceremonies. Later on, you'll enjoy an overnight stay at Turmi Buska Lodge.

**Accommodation:** [Buska Lodge, Turmi](#)

**Meals:** [Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner](#)





## Day 5, Monday April 1<sup>st</sup>: Return to Addis Ababa

After breakfast you will be driven from Turmi to Jinka Airport. You will enjoy a local lunch or picnic in Jinka before flying back to Addis Ababa. Upon arrival you will check back into Getfam Hotel. You will relax and enjoy the amenities of this 4-star hotel. Later, you will convene with the group for a traditional evening of live music and local cuisine at [the famous Yod Abyssinian Cultural House](#).

**Accommodation:** [Getfam Hotel](#)

**Meals:** [Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner](#)





## Day 6: Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup>: Exploring Historical Addis Ababa

After breakfast you will embark on a city tour of Addis Ababa. The tour commences by visiting the [National Museum of Ethiopia](#), where you can learn about the country's long and fascinating history and [see the remains of Lucy, the oldest human ancestor ever discovered](#). Set within Haile Selassie's former palace, Addis Ababa University's main campus is the Enthralling [Ethnological Museum](#). Before lunch, you will be driven to Holy Trinity Cathedral Church which has a unique architectural style. Upon completion of lunch, you will visit [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. After a full day of exploring, retreat to the luxurious Getfam Hotel in Addis Ababa for a comfortable overnight stay.

**Accommodation:** [Getfam Hotel, Addis Ababa](#)

**Meals:** [Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner](#)





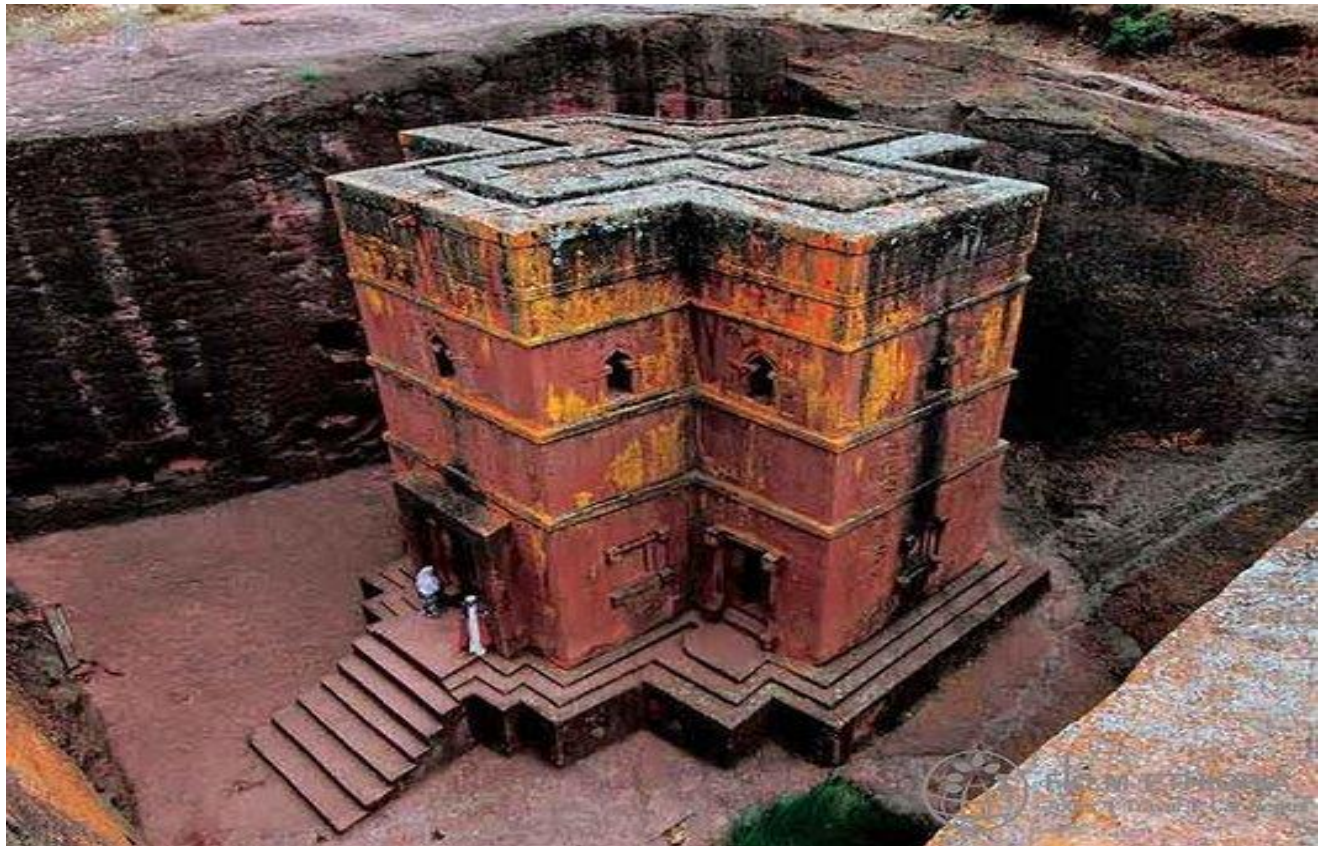
## Day 7, Wednesday April 3<sup>rd</sup>: Addis Ababa – Lalibela – UNESCO World Heritage

After breakfast you will drive to Bole Airport for your flight to Lalibela. Drive 30 minutes from Lalibela Airport to the hotel, after check-in you will have lunch at the hotel; in the afternoon explore the church of Lalibela.

The [Rock-Hewn Ethiopian orthodox Christian churches of Lalibela](#) are one of the **eighth wonder of the World**. It's a collection of churches, some connected by fascinating internal channels, with hermit holes, where people lived and died. The connecting walls are full of religious symbols. You will start visit the World wonders of Lalibela rock hewn churches. You will learn of the fascinating history and the 3 different classifications. Today you will focus on the 1<sup>st</sup> group. Upon completion you will return to your accommodation to relax and enjoy the amenities.

**Accommodation:** [Sora Lodge, Lalibela.](#)

**Included Meals:** [Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner](#)





## Day 8, Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup>: Lalibela Rock Churches – Ethiopian Coffee Ceremony

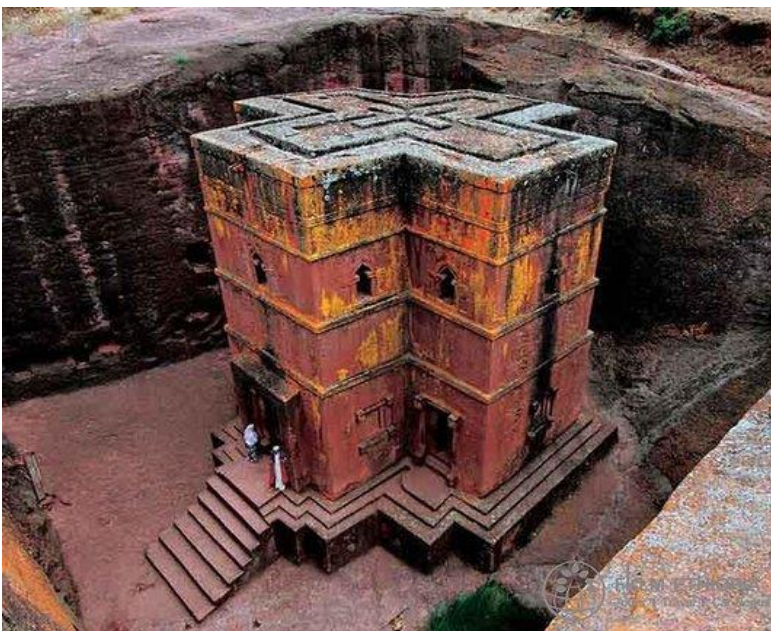
After breakfast you will visit the second group of four rock churches. Upon completion enjoy a local lunch at the [famous kana restaurant](#). In the afternoon indulge in an Ethiopian coffee ceremony. The rest of the evening is yours to enjoy at leisure.

Overnight stay at Sora lodge, Lalibela

**Accommodation:** [Sora Lodge, Lalibela](#)

**Meals:** [Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner](#)

**Optional Cooking Class**





## Day 9, Friday April 5<sup>th</sup>: Welcome to Gondar

After breakfast fly from Lalibela to Gondar via Ethiopian Airlines. After check in, visit the [castle of Gondar, Debre Birhan Selassie and Fasiledes Bath pool](#). Gondar often called the “Camelot of Africa” a description that does the royal city disservice, Camelot is legend whereas Gondar is realty. You will find Ethiopia’s most beautiful paintings in Debre Birhan Selassie church. Take in the rich history and culture of this ancient city before retiring to your accommodation at the Haile Resort for a comfortable overnight stay.

**Accommodation:** [Haile Resort](#)

**Meals:** [Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner](#)





## Day 10, Saturday April 6: Addis Ababa – Relaxation – Farewell Soiree

After breakfast you'll be driven to the Airport for your flight from Gondar to Addis Ababa. Upon arrival check back into your hotel, [enjoy the amenities, indulge in shopping or optional spa treatments](#). Later, you'll enjoy a [farewell dinner and traditional live music](#) at one of the best traditional restaurants in Addis Ababa. Overnight Stay at Getfam Hotel, or Similar in Addis Ababa

**Accommodation:** [Getfam Hotel](#)

**Meals:** [Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner](#)



## Day 11: Departure

It is time to bid Ethiopia goodbye until next time!

After breakfast, you will check out of the hotel. You will be driven to Bole international Airport for your flight back to the US or other country of resident.

**End of Tour**..... On behalf of Globetrotting Sisters, LLC and our local vendor it was a pleasure to host you all!



## Questions?

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