



Ethiopia Cultural Tour

Ethiopia 2026: 3rd Annual Easter Pilgrimage

11 Days, 10 Nights Package

April 8 – 18, 2026

Ethiopia has a character unlike any you'll find on the planet. The only African Nation to have avoided European colonialism, it retains a strong cultural identity that can be felt everywhere you go. The amazing people, stunning landscapes, and diverse wildlife are just some of the things that make Ethiopia so magnificent. Ethiopia is a country rich in history, diverse in culture, with breathtaking views and awesome geology. Explore the heights of the Entoto Mountains, dance with the tribes of the lower Omo Valley and marvel at the 8th wonders of Lalibela.



Day 1 (Apr 8): Arriving in Addis Ababa: Minimi Ayidelemi!

Welcome (**Minimi Ayidelemi**) to Abyssinia, land of origins! You will be whisked off in a modern air-conditioned vehicle (hotel shuttle) 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: *Best Western plus Addis, Addis Ababa*

Meals: Dinner



Day 2 (Apr 9): 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 views of the capital. It is also a [historical palace where Menelik II](#) resided and built his palace. After a full day of exploring, retreat to your hotel for a comfortable overnight stay.

Accommodation: *Best Western plus Addis, Addis Ababa*

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



Day 3 (Apr 10): Addis Ababa- Lalibela (Attending Good Friday in the 2nd Jerusalem)

After breakfast you will drive to Bole International Airport for your flight to Lalibela.

Upon check in you will have lunch at the hotel; in the afternoon you will **attend Good Friday Service in the African Jerusalem**. Upon completion you will return to the hotel for dinner.

Accommodation: *Sora Lodge, Lalibela*

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



Day 4 (Apr 11): Explore Lalibela- UNESCO World Heritage Rock Hewn Churches

After breakfast you will commence the day's tour. **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. The churches are classified as three groups. Explore the first, second and third group of churches.

Lunch will be at Kana restaurant or our local guide's home. After lunch, visit the **second group of rock churches**, which comprises 4 churches including Emanuel Church, the only Monolithic in the southeast cluster and Saturday Market.

In the afternoon attend **Ethiopian coffee ceremony and a candlelight ceremony at one of the churches.** **Optional** – Cooking Class

Accommodation: *Sora Lodge, Lalibela*

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



Day 5 (Apr 12): Lalibela - 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 for a comfortable overnight stay.

Accommodation: *Gondar Hill resort, Gondar*

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



Day 6 (Apr 13): Gondar –Addis Ababa – Leisure

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 rest of the day at leisure](#). Enjoy the amenities of the hotel, indulge in shopping, or optional spa treatments.

Accommodation: *Best Western plus Addis, Addis Ababa*

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



Day 7 (Apr 14): Welcome to Jinka – Omo Valley – Ari Village

Jinka lies in the Omo Valley, an area known for its diverse ethnic groups and rich cultural heritage. It is located approximately 750 kilometers south of Addis Ababa, the capital of Ethiopia. The town is located at an elevation of about 1,500 meters (4,920 feet) above sea level, which gives it a warm climate typical of the lowland areas of southern Ethiopia

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 and a visit to the Ari Village](#). Enjoy the serene and tranquil surroundings before convening for a traditional welcome dinner.

Accommodation: *Jinka Eco –Emo lodge, Jinka*

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



Day 8 (Apr 15): Jinka – Turmi-Omo Valley – Mursi & Hamar People

After breakfast drive to **Key Afar to visit the Mursi people**, Mursi is closed now but there are Mursi in key afar so we will visit them there. Then we 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**.

Accommodation: *Paradise Lodge, Turmi*

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



Day 9 (Apr 16): Visiting Tribes of the Omo Valley

After breakfast, take a day trip to visit the Karo and various other ethnic groups of the Omo Valley.

Upon visiting the Karo tribe, depart from Turmi to the villages of **Murulle, Kolcho and dus on the shores of the Omo River**. The Karo people are the smallest in number of all the tribes of the Omo Valley, and they are known for their elaborate decorations particular during local ceremonies.

Accommodation: *Paradise Lodge, Turmi*

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



Day 10 (Apr 17): Turmi- Jinka-Benna-Addis Ababa - Cultural Night

After breakfast drive from Turmi to Jinka, on the way you will see the **Benna Boys that walk on stilts**. Enjoy lunch at Giesha Gojo restaurants Jinka, then drive to the Airport for your flight to Addis Ababa.

Upon arrival check back into your hotel and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure before your farewell soiree.

Later, you'll enjoy a **farewell dinner and traditional live music** at one of the best traditional restaurants in Addis Ababa.

Accommodation: *Best Western plus Addis, Addis Ababa*

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



Day 11(Apr 18): 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!

