**Tour code:** HF- 404 Combiantoin tour Historic, trekking and Denakil

**Tour Type:** Historical/Natural

**Duration of stay:** 15days/ 14 nights

Means of Transportation: Flight/Surface

<u>Description:</u> Visiting the 8<sup>th</sup> wonder of the world, Lalibela which is characterized by the monolithic rock hewn churches, and Danakil Depression which is known as the hottest place on the planet and home to salt lakes, lava lakes, volcanoes, colorful acidic springs...

### Day 01 Addis Ababa

Arrival in Addis Ababa transfer to the hotel for some refreshment the rest then city tour of Addis Ababa. Overnight Capital hotel or Similar hotel

### Day 02. Fly Addis-Bahirdar

A fly to the beautiful city Bahirdar . After checking your hotel and have lunch, you will drive about 45 minutes on unpaved road to tiny village Tis- Abay (Tis-Esat) which mean smoke of fire, nominated from Blue Nile waterfall. Round trip will take 1.5 hour by walking & pew minutes with boat to across the Blue Nile River for spectacular view & properties amp; having shower from the smoke underneath of the falls. Later on, drive back to Bahirdar to stay & properties amp; enjoy with fish dishes. Overnight hotel

### Day 03 Bahirdar-Gorgora – Gondar

In the morning You will start having a whole day boat trip to Gorgora and on your way visit the Island monasteries on the Lake Tana to visit the medieval period island monasteries such as the beautifully painted UraKidanMehiret,Azwa Mareyam,Narga Silassie on biggest Dek island and finally the northern shore 14 th century monastery of Debre Sina church with beautiful painting of the first Gondarine style . up on arrival at Gorgora you will be picked up for the drive to Gondar which is about 60 km. Overnight hotel in Gondar

#### Day 04 Gondar

Morning visit the Royal Enclosure that is surrounded by high stone walls containing the 17th century palaces of King Fassiladas, King Iyasu and Queen Mentewab and different other buildings. Visit also Fasiladas' Bath, (that is filled with water for the important Timkat (epiphany) ceremony once a year) and finally visit the church of DebreBrehan Selassie has a ceilings decorated with beautiful winged Angels.

Overnight Hotel in Gondar



Day 05 Gondar - Sanka ber

Morning drive to Sankaber, the first campsite in Semien mountains national park which 130kms from Gondar. on the ways you will visit the Falash village, the village of the house of Israel then proceed to Debark, where the head quarter of the national park is found then proceed to Samk ber. overnight camping.



Day 06 Sankaber (3250 m) - Gich (3600 m)

The first serious day of trekking starts from the beautiful situated campsite of Sankaber. Today's trek covers a distance of approximately 10 km and takes us around 6 hours straight walking. Right from the beginning the trek follows the spectacular escarpment. You will encounter Gelada baboons, foraging in big groups, at the fields. A stunning viewpoint at the Jinbar Falls is reached after clambering a few rocks. This waterfall plunges several hundred meters down the escarpment in the abyss.

At the end of the day we pass through the welcoming village of Gich where the local people prepare a well-deserved coffee for us. Our camp for the night is not far from the village. Overnight camping



Day 07 Gich (3600 m)-Chennek(3620)

This is probably the most spectacular stage of the whole trekking, offering stunning views all the way. Today we walk for almost 8 hours to cover 12 km, including a short detour to Imet Gogo (3925 m). This summit offers the most exciting views. The majestically lammergeyer might soar the skies in front of us and the endemic thick billed raven will be present. On our way to Chennek we pass some other major peaks (Inataye reaching 4070 meter) and a deep valley. Chennek is abundant with the giant lobelia and the best place to spot the endemic and endangered walia ibex. Overnight camping



#### Day 08 Chennek-Gondar

From Chennek you will hike on the edge of the escarpment while searching for another endemic animal called Walia Ibex for hours and you will get back to your campsite to have lunch and finally drive back to Gondar to stay the night of the fifth day. Overnight hotel

#### Day 09 Fly Gondar -Lalibela

Arrival at Addis Ababa and you will take take a flight to Lalibela. It is identified as the eighth wonder of the world. Start to visit the rock-hewn churches of Lalibela which is clustered in to three different places separated by River Jordan. This afternoon you start visiting the first and the famous Saint George church.

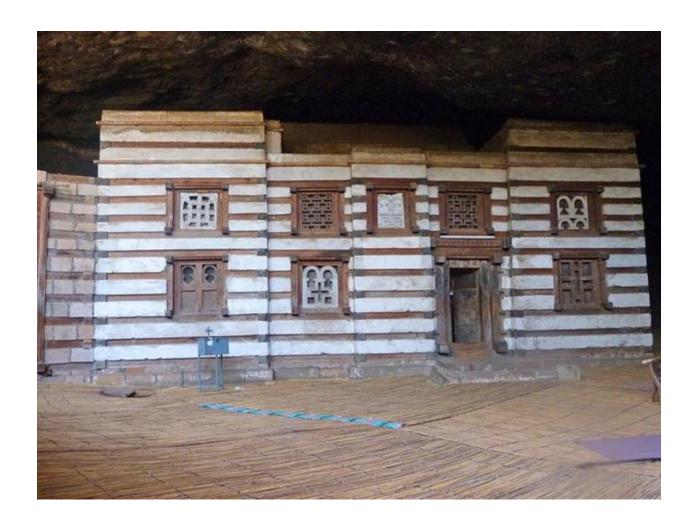
### Overnight hotel Mountain view Hotel or similar



Day 10 Lalibela

On this day morning you drive out of Lalibela for about 42 kms to visit the interesting built up cave church called Yemerehane Cristos and after getting back for lunch, you can visit the rest of group of churches in the afternoon.

Overnight Mountain view or similar hotel.



## Day 11. Lalibela- Semera 352kms

Morning start the driving to Semera on the way visit the spectacular view of landscape, Amhara villages and Market at place called bati (on Monday's it is the main market). Overnight Kuriftu hotel



### Day 12 Semera – Erteale

Drive to Erteale on the way we arrange the camel to ascend our logistics and for those who wish to ride, Local militia and road guide apart from those who already with us. Late afternoon start walking to Erteale.

Around 5 o'clock trek climb to Erta Ale volcano and overnight on the top of the mountain Erta Ale is 613 meters tall, with a lava lake, one of only five in the world, at the summit. It is notable for being the longest existing lava lake, present since the early years of the twentieth century.

Overnight on the Summit



#### Day 13 Ertale- Ahmed Ela

Around 9 AM we will be at foot base of the volcanic mountain where our cook and cars camp have our breakfast and drive to Hammed Ela via Kusrewad.

This day drive will be the most challenging drive of all day which may be happen to stuck in the Sand and inhospitable weather, we should keep rehydrate to you manage the driving. Arrive Amedela overnight camping at Amedela.



Day 14 Ahmed Ela- Dallo – Afdera

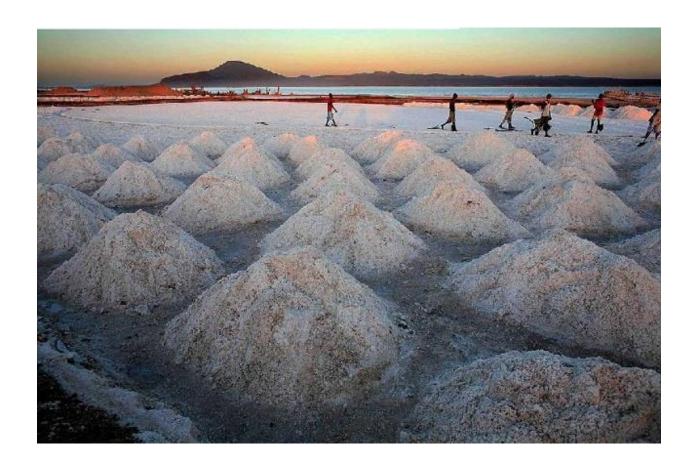
Excursion to Dallol (116 meter below sea level, one of the lowest places in the world) where you are going to enjoy the hydrothermal phenomenon with colourful sulphur fountains, colourful salts mining, visit Lake Assale, follow up camels caravans and walk with the Afar and people from highland. The traditional way of extracting Salt bar, which once used as local currency, is packing on the Camel. You will see how they prepare their traditional bread, how they travel, communicate & more. It is another unique experience. Back to Amedela. Camping.





Day 15 Afdera-Semera-Addis Ababa

After breakfast, visit the Salt Lake of Afdera where we see the salt extraction from the lake and proceed to Semera to take your afternoon flight back to Addis Ababa.



# Deaprture date from Addis

- 09/11/2024
- 24/11/2024
- 10/12/2024
- 25/12/2024

### Price per person is

No of pax	Price per person in Euro
2	2398
3	1898
4	1648
5	1502
6	1401
7	1458
8	1334
9	1286
10	1292
11	1258
12	1228

**Price inclusive of** 

Hotel accommodation in hotels in each destination with full board basis (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner) and camping in Danakil depression

Comfortable air-conditioned high roof mini bus for north and new model land cruiser for Danakil depression and additional car for cook to Danakil depression

All entrance fees based on the itinerary

Escorted professional English-speaking guide

Police, leader, coordinator, militia, camel, cook, assistant cook, toilet, sanitation, community in Danakil depression

A liter bottled of mineral water per day

Two domestic flights

**Price exclusive of** 

Video/photography fee

Laundry

Tips

Any other cost which is not mentioned underprice inclusive