

ROUTE: WESTERN TRIBES, COFFE AND TEA PLANTATION

DURATION: 10 DAYS

ITINERARY:

Day 1

The first day we drive to the west direction of the country. En route we visit the villages of the Shoea and Wolega Oromo tribes. Overnight stay in Nekemte.

Day 2

After crossing Didasa River we stop at the town of Bedele for lunch. The trip leads us through natural forests of Western Ethiopia. Overnight stay in Metu.

Day 3

We continue our drive through the forest. We pass some well-known tea farms. Our stop is at the Gumero tea field. Overnight stay in Gambella.

Day 4

The first part of the day you spend in Gambella park and around the Baro River. In the afternoon we make an excursion to Itang to meet the Nuer people. Overnight stay again in Gambella.

Day 5

On the way to Mizan Teferi we stop in the villages of the Menit, the Yem and the Dizi tribe. Overnight stay in Mizan Teferi.

Day 6

On our trip further west to Tum we stop at Bebeka coffee plantation, Ethiopia`s largest and oldest coffee plantation. Again we meet the Menit people. After crossing the Akobo River you experience the African Savanna grassland. We have lunch in Dimma. After passing the small Surma village of Tulgit we go on to Kibish village. After arrival you can walk around the campsite and meet the local Surma people. Overnight stay: camping in Kibish.

Day 7

We spend the whole day among the locals, either in Kibish or in Old Kibish which is an eight kilometres drive. Overnight stay: camping in Kibish.

Day 8

Via Dima town we drive back to Mizan Teferi in order to spend another night there.

Day 9

This day we have to cover the 240 kms to Jimma. The people living in this area are from Kefecho, Yem and Bench ethnic groups. This region is famous all over Ethiopia not only for coffee and tea but also for spice growing.. Overnight stay in Jimma.

Day 10

The last day we just have to reach Addis Ababa.