

# 6 Days Cultural Omo Valley Tribes Tour

## **Day 1- FULL DAY DRIVE ADDIS ABABA - Arbaminch**

Morning after breakfast meet with Our staff (driver and guide) at your preferred departure point and time, start drive down to the south, the drive will take you along the scenic farmlands of Gurage People stop at UNSCO Tiya Steal Filed to visit the 12th century, We will also drive through the Wolayta farmlands, with views of the lush green hills and valleys, late afternoon arrival at Arbaminch- meaning 'Forty Springs' in Amharic. Arbaminch takes its name from the bubbling streams that cover the groundwater forest occupying the flats of the town, Overnight hotel

## **DAY 2- ARBAMINCH- JINKA ON THE WAY BOAT TRIP AT LAKE CHAMO AND KEY AFER MARKET**

Early in the morning drive to the Lake shore to have a boat trip on Lake Chamo, Boat trip on Lake Chamo is along the best anywhere in Ethiopia. One can spot many Hippos and the world's most spectacular concentrations of Giant Nile Crocodiles which measure about 6 meter with the water birds are great the scenery is truly unforgettable, then drive further to KEY AFER- Tribal Market- one of the best market in the OMO VALLEY since at list four different tribes are coming to attend these

weekly market arrival to the small town and escort a local guide walking around the market and explore different sections of the market including animal, vegetable, cereals and much more. Then continue to drive back to Jinka, overnight hotel.

## **DAY 3- JINKA- TURMI ON THE WAY EXCURSION TO MURSI TRIBE**

After breakfast early in the morning leave Jinka and drive to Mursi village to visit and appreciate the very attractive culture of Mursi tribe. They are renowned for the strange custom followed by their women who, upon reaching maturity, have their lower lips slit and circular clay discs inserted, Then continue drive to Turmi on the way visit Bana Tribe, overnight hotel.

Remark: - if there is any ceremonial activity like traditional dance, Bull jumping ceremony you will be informed by your guide so based on that you will pay the extra payment for the ceremony

## **DAY 4- EXCURSION TO OMORATE-DASENCH TRIBE- DIMEKA MARKET HAMER VILLAGE**

Friday This day early in the morning after breakfast drive 73 km west to visit the Dassench/Geleb people; who inhabited in the bank of Omo River and we cross the Omo River by locally made boat to see the village, then drive to Dimeka Market to attend the weekly colorful market of the HAMER tribe then drive back to Turmi after afternoon break in the lodge late afternoon walk from the lodge to the village to visit the HAMER tribe with their own way of life interaction with their way of life, overnight Lodge.

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## **Day 5- DRIVE Turmi- ARBAMINCH- ON THE WAY KARO TRIBE AT MURULLE & KONSO TRIBE**

Morning after breakfast Head to Murulle to see the Karo tribe, famous for their body painting (they prepare the ink for the painting from locally available material like flower, soil and animal blood) we will also admire the scenery view of the Omo river from the edge of the village, then drive to Arbaminch on the way stop at KONSO to visit the Konso tribe with their king- UNSCO registered site for their extensive terracing and practice of making a wooden grave mark for their hero and kings, continue driving and late afternoon arrival to Arbaminch, overnight hotel.

## **DAY 6- DRIVE ARBAMINCH – ADDIS ABABA- ON THE WAY VISIT THE DORZE TRIBE AND THEIR VILLAGE**

Early in the morning drive back to Addis Ababa on the way visit the Dorze tribe and their village, famed for their beehive shaped houses and their weaving skills. Weaving is a primary profession for many Dorze. They are also farmers, who prevent soil erosion by ingenious terracing of the mountainsides. Around their huts they have their own little garden with vegetables, spices; tobacco and Enset (false-banana or musa Ensetethe. Then straight drive back to Addis Ababa through the Great Rift Valley, passing more interesting villages and attractions. On the way to lunch at local restaurants, late afternoon arrival at Addis Ababa, finally cultural

dinner with live cultural dance performances in one of the best Ethiopian traditional restaurants. Then transfer to the airport for your departure.