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Betsega Tour & Travel



**WELCOME TO ETHIOPIA
TOURISM AND SOLIDARITY !**



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BETSEGA

TOURISM AND SOLIDARITY

CIRCUITS AND PROJECTS





Nature



Everyday life



Culture



People



BETSEGA: What is it?

BETSEGA is a small travel agency, based in Ethiopia. The manager, Axum, has been a driver for many many years. For nearly twenty years, he has accompanied European adoptive parents when they came to Ethiopia to pick up their children, and he was fascinated by the links he saw developing between parents and children, but also between the two countries and the two cultures.

Two years ago, Axum has organised a tour throughout his country for young adopted adults who wanted to discover their country of origin: he was impressed by the importance of this trip «back to the roots» for these young people, by the enthusiasm they faced everywhere, by their wish to help back this country which has been theirs... This is how BETSEGA's idea (BETSEGA means «Grace» in amharic and is the summary of the names of Axum's two children, Tsega and Bereket) was born, the idea of a family-like tourism (small groups), with a human approach, far from the big touristic structures, close to the people... A tourism in which the financial profit should benefit to the local people... A responsible and fair tourism, a completely new concept in Ethiopia!

BETSEGA is offering a lot of guarantees (small family enterprise, service by the owner himself, very well maintained cars, full insurances, licence as a travel agency at federal level, which means you can travel all over the country...).



Beza, everything is handmade

BETSEGA also wants to be socially active: projects and cooperatives are identified, which are supporting very vulnerable people, essentially women, who have no education, who are sick, abandoned, trying to raise their children alone. These projects make it possible for these women to keep their dignity, to integrate into society, to take care of their family, to go back to social life. At the same time, they allow tourists to discover handicrafts techniques, sometimes very ancient, and to see the people at work, creating in front of them beautiful items they may bring home if they want to do so: pottery, baskets, jewels, paintings, sculps, organic pure honey etc. *BETSEGA* prefers to take you there rather than to touristic shops! And does not have any commission on what you buy!

BETSEGA is also helping on the long term: therefore, for each person who will make a two-week-tour with Betsega, Axum has decided to finance the school fees of one needy child for 6 months, in collaboration with one orphanage for big children, which Director belongs to his friends.

BETSEGA is also supporting a very interesting social project: some tours will make it possible for you to visit – and even to stay in- a very special village, Awra Amba, which develops a particular idea of equality, sharing, which benefits to the whole community! We have just contributed to building a new roof for their kindergarten!

Last, but not least, *BETSEGA* is also supporting a project aiming at helping severely burnt children in two hospitals in Addis, by asking you to take along some special ointment, basic in Europe, but nearly impossible to find in Ethiopia, and which is really helping doctors to save lives! Efficient and easy!

You will find more details and pictures on our website, don't hesitate to contact us if you have any question: proximity is also one of *BETSEGA's* aims!!!



Gefersa project pottery



Beza,



BETSEGA – PROPOSED TOURS

Preliminary notice:

BETSEGA is choosing with much care the hotels where you will stay. Still, you have to be aware about the fact that the hotel categories are not to be compared with the European ones, and that you might be confronted with small problems such as: electricity or water shortage, running or leaking taps, not quite closing drawers or windows etc. Please, remember where you are and that the next big town can be some hundreds of kilometers away... and just take it easy!

Our prices include all the costs of the concerned tour, this means the car, the driver, full board and lodging, drinks during the meals (with exception of the imported alcoholic beverages), local guides who are sometimes compulsory, entries to the visited sites, boat tours etc. The prices **DO NOT** include the flight ticket to Addis, passport and visa fees, travel insurance, and also not the personal expenses such as gifts or handicrafts, and small tips for the local guides if you have been satisfied with them...

BETSEGA wants to promote high quality and responsible tourism, respecting the local population, its habits and traditions, as it is our goal to make you discover them, share with them, but certainly **NOT** shock them... Therefore, our groups will ideally be composed of 6 to 8/10 people maximum.



Yrgalem ecolodge



A group at Awashfalls lodge

For the same reason, *BETSEGA* will propose you two preparation meetings before each trip: during the first meeting, information will be given to you concerning the trip you are interested in, so that you can check on your choice, and also on the way trips are organised: number of participants, type of hotels, possibility to visit this particular project of interest, support of *BETSEGA* to our projects, timing of the tour etc. It will be possible for you to ask all and any question you would like to. The second meeting will take place closer to your departure and will offer you the possibility to meet with other participants in your tour, to get in touch with them, to share on common interests... You will also receive all the practical informations concerning your travel, such as: visa, injections, what to take along etc.

For each proposal, you will find two prices: the price for "accompanied groups", for the groups of 6 participants minimum, which means you will be accompanied from Europe throughout the whole tour by a person speaking English, German and French and having a very good knowledge of Ethiopia.

The second price is the price for "NON accompanied tours", especially for smaller groups of four participants, as the price for the accompanying person has to be shared by the number of participants and would just be too high for small groups who already have to share the car, the driver and his costs for food and lodging. Of course, we can make an individual proposal in case you are a small group, but you feel that you would like to be accompanied: just contact us!

You will find, for each proposed tour, a reduction for children of less than 10 years of age sharing the room of their parents. Please, in this case, be careful about the choice of the tour, as some of them request long car trips, many visits etc. and might not be convenient for young children. Take a look to our "special families" proposals, which have been established by taking into consideration the presence of children and their specific interests...

Please, NOTE: The prices have been established according to a double room occupation, either with one big double bed or with twin beds. If you are alone and you need a single room, you will be charged a supplement of 10 euros per day, as single rooms most of the time are just as costly as double rooms!



How to make the best choice for your tour?

The choice of the tour is very important so that you can fully enjoy your trip.

You have to take into consideration the time you can spend, your specific interests, the distances (quite long in Ethiopia, the country is big and the roads do not allow for speed!). Still, the roads offer a "permanent theater", not only because of the scenery, which is a very changing one, but also as you will be able to discover many things during the trip... This is why **BETSEGA** gives the priority to travelling by car (minibus) rather than by plane... Plane is faster, for sure, but it does not offer the possibility to approach everyday life in Ethiopia, and this is what it is all about!

Generally speaking, Harar and the North of Ethiopia allow for a more cultural approach, with the old town of Jogol in Harar, Rimbaud's house etc. The rock hewn churches in Lalibela, Tigray and on the islands of Lake Tana are famous for the way they have been built, but also for very ancient paintings, and for the extraordinary ambiance during the religious feasts such as Timkat for instance, and during just everyday prayers... The historical cities of Axum and Gondar allow for discovering very ancient monuments, such as the stelae in Axum, the Castle and Fasil Baths in Gondar, and the very famous church of Debre Birhan Selassie in Gondar, which ceiling is entirely covered by painted angel's faces! Nature is fascinating too, as landscapes are just amazing between all these cities, with beautiful mountains and breathtaking views!

For those who like markets, the famous market of Bati is memorable, with up to 20.000 people gathering every Monday, coming from different areas and tribes, amongst which the famous Afar people. Everything is to be found here, ranging from spices, baskets, jewels, salt, to clothes, pottery, knives, plastic containers... One part of the market is devoted to this "everything", while another part is devoted to animals and is worth visiting too: camels all over the place! The very special atmosphere of this huge market and the beauty of the people make Bati a very nice spot for those who look for "something special"... but this market is only on Mondays, so check!

South Ethiopia is especially a paradise for those who like nature above all: many lakes (we are in the rift valley!), different housing from place to place, according to the different ethnic groups, possibility to see hippos, many monkeys, amongst which the very beautiful "colobus", the lively fishmarket of Hawassa, the famous "crocodile market" in Arba Minch (which is not really a market, but the place is called like this, and there are really many crocodiles!), exotic trees and fruits (mangos, bananas), coffee plants etc. It will give you a completely different feeling...

Lake Tana not only makes it possible to visit some famous churches (in Zeghe, for example), but also gives the possibility for those interested in birds to do "bird-watching" during a nice boat tour, and allows for everyone just to take a peaceful rest on the lake shore...

For those who like comfort and beautifully designed lodges, the South might offer more choice, such as Paradise Lodge in Arba Minch, the beautiful Yrgalem Lodge and the very famous Sabanna Lodge along Lake Langano... But in the meantime, the North is catching up, with some brand new places such as Befikir Kossoye Ecolodge, close to Gondar, the "Four Sisters" restaurant in Gondar, the Gheralta Ecolodge, close to the Gheralta Mountains in Tigray...

Last-but certainly not least!, for those who like to be off the beaten tracks, the visit or even some days of total immersion in the very special community of Awra Amba village (one of the projects supported by Betsega) is certainly worthwhile! You will not forget it!

If you feel a bit unsure or not knowing what to choose, please, just feel free to ask for advice... Any adjustment of a proposed tour can be envisaged according to your wishes...

And go and take a look at a tour website and pictures, it will already give you an idea!



Papyrus Boats – Lake Tana



Lalibela, Beta Giorgis

I. HARAR AND "CLASSICAL" NORTH

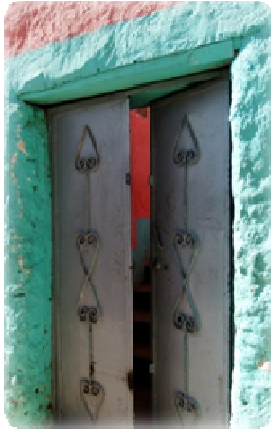
17 days/16 nights

- Day 1: Arrival in Addis. Installation. Visit to projects, NGOs, cooperatives...
- Day 2: Addis - Awashfalls Lodge (Awash National Park*).
- Day 3: Awash - Harar.
- Day 4: Visit of Harar - Jogol in the morning. Free afternoon in town. Hyenas dinner...
- Day 5: Harar - Dire Dawa. Visit of Dire Dawa.
- Day 6: Dire Dawa - Nazreth.
- Day 7: Nazreth - Debre Zeyit (lakes...) - Addis.
- Day 8: Addis - Kombolcha.
- Day 9: Kombolcha - Lalibela.
- Day 10: Lalibela: visit of the churches, either the whole day, or only in the morning and free afternoon.
- Day 11: Lalibela - Gondar.
- Day 12: Gondar: Visit of the Castle, Fasil Baths and the church of Debre Birhan Selassie in the morning... Free afternoon in town.
- Day 13: Gondar - Awra Amba (very special village, project supported by Betsega) - Bahir Dar.
- Day 14: Bahir Dar: visit of the Zeghe Peninsula (church!) by boat, free afternoon in town.
- Day 15: Bahir Dar. Morning: either bird watching by boat, or Nile Falls, or free time. Afternoon: departure to Fenote Selam.
- Day 16: Fenote Selam – Nile Gorge- Portuguese bridge (view!) - Addis.
- Day 17: Addis. Visit to projects, cooperatives, museum... Departure at night.

- * The lodge is IN the Awash National Park, directly along the falls and the river... You can see the falls, sometimes crocodiles and monkeys. The tour does NOT include a visit of the park, as this visit has turned out to be rather disappointing as far as seeing the animal is concerned, and the roads are very bad, so that it is very difficult with the minibus...
- ** Nile Falls: since the construction of a hydro-electric system, the water level has considerably diminished around the falls, making the visit quite disappointing most of the time. The access road is also very bad. If you are interested, Axum can inquire once you are in Bahir Dar about the water level, and he can organise the excursion if there is enough water. There will then be a supplement of 20 euros per person, because he has to rent another car due to the poor road condition...



Debre Zeyit



Harar



Market in Harar



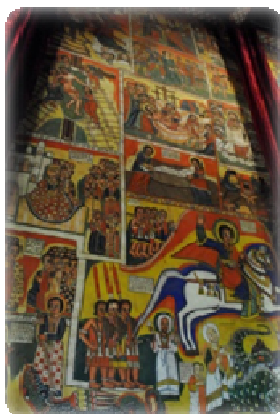
Fasil Baths, Gondar



Debre Birhan Selassie, Gondar



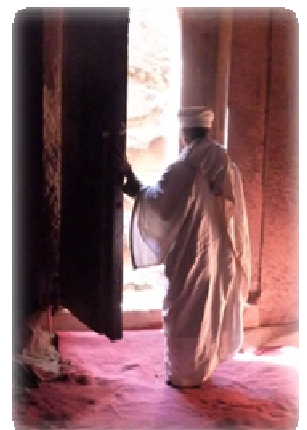
Nile falls, Bahir dar



Ura Kidane Mehret,
Bahir Dar



Debre Birhan Selassie, Gondar



Lalibela



Kossoye

II. COMPLETE BIG NORTH TOUR

18 days/17 nights

Attention: this tour requests long car driving, about 3500 km!

- Day 1: Arrival in Addis. Installation. Visit to projects, cooperatives...
- Day 2: Addis - Kombolcha.
- Day 3: Kombolcha - Mekelle.
- Day 4: Mekelle – Visit in the morning. Free afternoon in town.
- Day 5: Mekelle - Chirkos (monastery) – Hawzen: lodge close to the mountains.
- Day 6: Hawzen - Yeha (monastery) - Adua - Axum.
- Day 7: Axum: Visit of the stelae in the morning. Free afternoon.
- Day 8: Axum - Mekelle.
- Day 9: Mekelle - Woldya.
- Day 10: Woldya - Lalibela.
- Day 11: Lalibela: Visit of the churches either the whole day, or only in the morning and free afternoon.
- Day 12: Lalibela - Gondar.
- Day 13: Gondar: visit of the Castle, Fasil's baths and Debre Birhan Selassie Church in the morning. Kossoye in the afternoon (ecolodge).
- Day 14: Kossoye - Bahir Dar
- Day 15: Bahir Dar: Zeghe peninsula (church) by boat in the morning. Free afternoon.
- Day 16: Bahir Dar – In the morning: bird-watching by boat, or Nile Falls, or rest. In the afternoon, departure to Fenote Selam.
- Day 17: Fenote Selam- Nile Gorge- Portuguese Bridge (view!) - Addis.
- Day 18: Addis. Visit of projects, cooperatives, museum... Departure at night...

* Nile Falls: same notice as for the tour I, please check! Not always worthwhile, ask Axum...



Lake Ashenge



Hawassa Lake

III. HARAR AND THE SOUTH

15 days/14 nights

- Day 1: Arrival in Addis. Installation. Visit to projects, NGOs, cooperatives...
- Day 2: Addis - Awash.
- Day 3: Awash - Harar.
- Day 4: Harar - Visit of Jogol in the morning. Free afternoon in town. Hyena's feeding at night.
- Day 5: Harar - Dire Dawa.
- Day 6: Dire Dawa - Nazareth.
- Day 7: Nazareth - Langano (lake). Lodge.
- Day 8: Langano - Hawassa.
- Day 9: Hawassa, visit of the fishmarket - Wondo Genet*.
- Day 10: Wondo Genet - Arba Minch*.
- Day 11: Arba Minch: visit of a Dorze village (Chencha)*.
- Day 12: Arba Minch: "crocodile market" by boat in the morning. Free time in the afternoon.*
- Day 13: Arba Minch - Butajira.
- Day 14: Butajira - Tiya (stelae) - Addis.
- Day 15: Addis: Museum, visit to other projects, cooperatives...
Departure at night.



Chencha



Girl selling mangos

* Possibility of a more luxurious version, replacing the nights 9, 10, 11 and 12 by nights in lodges, with a supplement of 120 euros/pers. for the four nights.



Awra Amba

IV. NORTH AND SOUTH TOUR

17 days/16 nights

- Day 1: Arrival in Addis. Installation. Visit to projects, NGOs, cooperatives etc.
- Day 2: Addis - Kombolcha.
- Day 3: Kombolcha - Lalibela.
- Day 4: Lalibela: Visit of the churches, either the whole day, or only in the morning and free afternoon.
- Day 5: Lalibela - Gondar.
- Day 6: Gondar: Visit of the Castle, Fasil's bath and Debre Birhan Selassie Church. Free afternoon.
- Day 7: Gondar - Awra Amba (project village) - Bahir Dar.
- Day 8: Bahir Dar: visit of the Zeghe Peninsula (church) by boat, free afternoon.
- Day 9: Bahir Dar (bird-watching by boat or Nile Falls*). Or free time around the lake.
Afternoon: departure to Fenote Selam.
- Day 10: Fenote Selam - Nile Gorge - Portuguese bridge - Addis.

OPTION A:

- Day 11: Addis - Sodo.
- Day 12: Sodo - Arba Minch.
- Day 13: Arba Minch: visit of the Dorze village (Chencha) and crocodile market.
- Day 14: Arba Minch - Hawassa.
- Day 15: Hawassa - Langano. Lodge.
- Day 16: Langano - Addis.
- Day 17: Addis. Visit to projects, museum, NGOs, departure at night.



Wolisso

OPTION B:

This option has less kilometers, but offers three nights in traditional lodges instead of only one in option A.



Yrgalem eco lodge

- Day 11: Addis - Wolisso. Lodge.
- Day 12: Wolisso - Butajira.
- Day 13: Butajira - Hawassa.
- Day 14: Hawassa - Yrgalem. Lodge.
- Day 15: Yrgalem - Langano. Lodge.
- Day 16: Langano - Addis.
- Day 17: Addis. Visit to projects, cooperatives, museum.
Departure at night.



Awra Amba



Yrgalem, room



Wolisso



Red heart Gelada

V. "SPECIAL FAMILY" TOUR

8 days/7 nights

This tour, as well as the following one, has the advantage to have less kilometers by car and more time to spend in the places that are likely to be interesting for children (lakes, nature, animals, monkeys, hippos, swimming possibilities...) and more nights spent in traditional lodges...

- Day 1: Arrival in Addis. Installation. Visit to projects, NGOs, etc.
- Day 2: Addis - Wolisso: traditional lodge with monkeys, birds, animals and a swimming-pool!
- Day 3: Wolisso - Hawassa. Free time in town and around the lake. Possibility to swim extra payment)
- Day 4: Hawassa: boat trip on the lake, hippos, visit of the fish-market...
- Day 5: Hawassa - Yrgalem: very beautiful traditional lodge surrounded by full nature. Coffee farming.
- Day 6: Yrgalem - Langano: another beautiful lodge around the lake, birds, possibility to swim in the lake, beach.
- Day 7: Langano - Addis.
- Day 8: Addis: visit to projects, NGOs, museum, departure at night.



Injera, local food



Lagano

VI. "SPECIAL FAMILY" TOUR

14 days/13 nights

Same as for the precedent tour: this tour has been especially designed for families with children or for those who like to take time... This tour has more car than the precedent one, and it goes deeper into South, but you have plenty of time and it offers many things of interest for children and three nights in beautiful lodges...

- Day 1: Arrival in Addis. Visit to projects, NGOs, etc.
- Day 2: Addis - Wolisso: traditional lodge with animals, monkeys, birds and a swimming pool.
- Day 3: Wolisso - Addis.
- Day 4: Addis - Sodo.
- Day 5: Sodo - Arba Minch.
- Day 6: Arba Minch: visit of a Dorze village (Chencha).
- Day 7: Arba Minch: Boat tour to crocodile market. Free afternoon.
- Day 8: Arba Minch - Hawassa.
- Day 9: Hawassa: Fishmarket. Free time around the lake. Possibility to swim in a big hotel if you pay extra.
- Day 10: Hawassa: Boat tour on the lake (hippos), free time in the city.
- Day 11: Hawassa - Yrgalem: traditionnal lodge surrounded by nature, walking possibility, coffee plants...
- Day 12: Yrgalem - Langano: beautiful lodge around the lake, possibility to swim in the lake, beach...
- Day 13: Langano - Addis.
- Day 14: Addis: visit to projects, NGOs, museum... Departure at night.



Sabanna Lodge, Langano



Afar Region

VII. "DISCOVERING NORTH" TOUR

15 days/14 nights

Special tour "off the beaten track"... It offers you to discover an extraordinary market (up to 20.000 people!), a very special village, which develops a very interesting social project and an extraordinary new ecolodge!!!

ATTENTION: the departure from Europe for this tour HAS to be on a Friday night, as the market ONLY takes place on Mondays, and quite far from Addis!

- Day 1: Arrival in Addis. Installation. Visit to projects, NGOs...
- Day 2: Addis - Kombolcha.
- Day 3: Kombolcha - Bati (market) - Kombolcha.
- Day 4: Kombolcha - Lalibela.
- Day 5: Lalibela: visit of the churches, either the whole day or in the morning only and free afternoon.
- Day 6: Lalibela, visites of the other churches, or waliking around Lalibela.
- Day 7: Lalibela - Gondar.
- Day 8: Gondar: visit of the Castle, Fasil's baths and Debre Birhan Selassie Church, free afternoon in town.
- Day 9: Gondar - Kossoye ecolodge.
- Day 10: Kossoye - Awra Amba: discovery of this very special village. Night in the village *.
- Day 11: Awra - Amba - Bahir Dar.
- Day 12: Bahir Dar: Visit of the Zeghe Peninsula by boat (church). Free time.
- Day 13: Bahir Dar: Bird watching by boat or excursion in option to the Nile Falls, or free time around the lake. Departure in the afternoon for Fenote Selam.
- Day 14: Fenote Selam - Addis, via Nile Gorge and Portuguese bridge.
- Day 15: Addis: visit to projects, NGOs, museum... Departure at night...



Bati market



Bati market

- * The night in Awra Amba village can be spent there in VERY SIMPLE conditions: the rooms are VERY BASIC, clean, but with one common shower and one toilet for everybody. If the group prefers, the visit to the village can be shortened, so that the night can be spent in Bahir Dar, but this decision requests that the whole group agrees on the same choice; this can be discussed at the preparatory meeting before departure...
- ** The hydro-electric system that has been built around the Nile Falls unfortunately is affecting the water level in the falls, making the visit most of the time very disappointing... Therefore, the best is that Axum inquires when you arrive in Bahir Dar about the level of the water, and, in case there is enough water, he can organise the excursion. It will then cost a supplement of 20 euros/pers. as the road is very bad to get there, and Axum has to rent another vehicle to bring you there. If there is not much water, it will be more advisable to choose a bird-watching boat tour on the lake, or to rest along the lake shore, or to walk around in town...



Landscape in Tigræ



Afar, Bati



Simien Mountains



Befikir Kossoye ecolodge



Ura Kidane Mehret Church, Bahir Dar



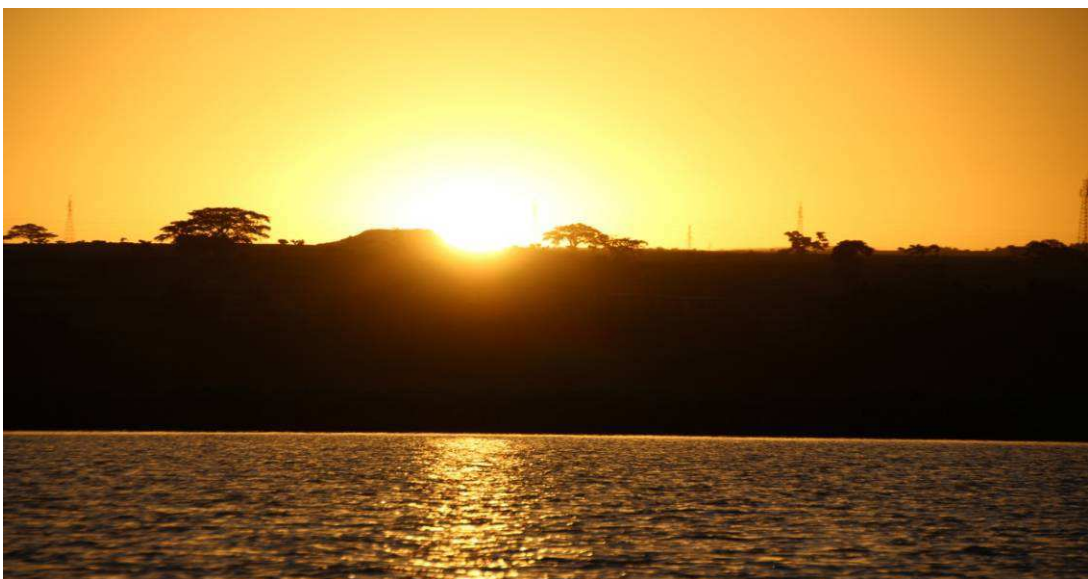
School on the road to Lalibela

VIII. NORTH TOUR

11 days/10 nights

- Day 1: Arrival in Addis. Installation. Visit of projects, NGOs...
- Day 2: Addis - Kombolcha.
- Day 3: Kombolcha - Lalibela.
- Day 4: Lalibela: visit of the churches, either the whole day or only in the morning.
- Day 5: Lalibela - Gondar.
- Day 6: Gondar: Visit of the Castle, Fasil's Baths, the Debre Birhan Selassie Church. Free afternoon.
- Day 7: Gondar - Bahir Dar, eventually with a stop in Awra Amba village.
- Day 8: Bahir Dar: Visit of the Zeghe Peninsula by boat (church), free time in town...
- Day 9: Bahir Dar: Either bird watching tour by boat in the morning, or excursion in option to the Nile Falls*, or free time around the lake. Departure to Fenote Selam in the afternoon.
- Day 10: Fenote Selam - Nile Gorge Portuguese Bridge - Addis.
- Day 11: Addis. Visit to projects, NGOs, museum...; Departure at night.

* The Nile Falls excursion can be organised on the spot with a supplement of 20 euros/pers. In case Axum has inquired and there is enough water to make the trip interesting... Unfortunately, since the construction of an hydro-electric system around the falls, the level of the water makes the tour most of the time uninteresting. Axum can inquire and organise it if it is worthwhile... Otherwise, boat tour on the Lake Tana, or rest along the shore, or walk around in town.



Lake Tana



Fishers children, Zuway

IX. "SOUTH" TOUR

8 days/7 nights OR 10 days/9 nights

OPTION A: 8 days - 7 nights

- Day 1: Arrival in Addis. Installation. Visit to projects, NGOs, etc.
- Day 2: Addis - Butajira.
- Day 3: Butajira- Arba Minch.
- Day 4: Arba Minch: Visit of Chench, Dorze village. Visit of "crocodile Market" by boat.
- Day 5: Arba Minch - Hawassa.
- Day 6: Hawassa (Fishmarket) - Langano (lake-swimming). Lodge.
- Day 7: Langano- Addis.
- Day 8: Addis: visit of projects, NGOs, museum... Departure at night.

OPTION B: 10 days - 9 nights

- Days 1 to 5 Same as Option A.
- Day 6: Hawassa - Yrgalem (traditional lodge, nature...).
- Day 7: Yrgalem - Wondo Genet (nature, hot springs, monkeys...).
- Day 8: Wondo Genet - Langano (lake-swimming). Lodge.
- Day 9: Langano - Addis
- Day 10: Addis: visit to projects, NGOs, museum. Departure at night...





Awra Amba

X. NORTH TOUR WITH "IMMERSION" in a village

***15 days/14 nights.
Departure from Europe on a Friday night***

- Day 1: Arrival to Addis. Installation. Visit to projects, NGOs, etc.
- Day 2: Addis - Kombolcha.
- Day 3: Kombolcha - Bati (*market! See tour VII) - Kombolcha.
- Day 4: Kombolcha - Lalibela.
- Day 5: Lalibela: visit of the churches, either the whole day, or only in the morning and free time.
- Day 6: Lalibela - Gondar.
- Day 7: Gondar: visit of the Castle, fasil's Baths and Debre Birhan Selassie Church. Free time in town.
- Day 8: Gondar - Awra Amba: visit of the village and beginning of the immersion*.
- Day 9: Awra Amba: immersion in the village.
- Day 10: Awra Amba: immersion in the village.
- Day 11: Awra Amba - Bahir Dar.
- Day 12: Bahir Dar: Boat tour to the Zeghe Peninsula (church), free time...
- Day 13: Bahir Dar: Nile Falls** or bird watching tour by boat, or free time around the shore. In the afternoon, departure to Fenote selam.
- Day 14: Fenote Selam - Nile Gorge, portuguese bridge - Addis
- Day 15: Addis: museum, visit to projects, NGOs... Departure at night

* This tour includes three nights in Awra Amba, with VERY SIMPLE ACCOMMODATION: rooms are clean, but basic, with only one shower and one toilet for the whole guesthouse. The goal is the immersion in the real village life, sharing with the people the different everyday activities (weaving, cooking, helping in the kindergarten...).

** The Nile Falls excursion may be organised by Axum once you are in Bahir Dar and he can inquire about the level of the water in the falls, as this level is now most of the time quite low, since they have been building a hydro-electric system just around the falls... If this is too low, the visit is very disappointing. If the level allows for the visit, Axum will organise the trip if you want, with a supplement of 20 euros/pers., as he has to rent another vehicle to bring you there (the road is very bad to get there!). Otherwise, you can choose a boat trip to watch the birds on the lake, or just a rest along the shore...



BETSEGA wants you to meet Ethiopian People...

And if the language is most of the time a problem.... The eyes, body language and smiles are a great experience!!!





WELCOME TO ETHIOPIA!!!

	 
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