

Ride the Rift: Special Offers for November 2022 Tours *from 12th November to 5th December 2022*

This tour combines two great sporting events for people of all levels with a chance to see different landscapes and cultures of Ethiopia. You get to: explore the Highlands of Northern Ethiopia including Lalibela and the Simien Mountains; you take part in the Great Ethiopian Run, Africa's biggest mass-participation run and one of Addis Ababa's biggest street carnivals; you discover the string of lakes with its own wildlife and culture in the Great African Rift Valley; and you participate in the Ride the Rift charity bike ride challenge along the edge of the Rift Valley beside Wof Washa Forest.

Ride the Rift is a collaboration of tour operators who have unique outdoor adventure experience as tour operators in Ethiopia. Over the last 12 months we have staged three spectacular tours for local residents and are now expanding our tours with tours tailor-made for international tourists.

Choose from our options to combine highlights that best fit your dates and preferences.



Northern Explorer Trek

12 to 19 November 2022

On the Northern Explorer Trek you will see the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Lalibela, with its labyrinth of 12th-century rock-hewn churches; the castles of Gondar built by Ethiopian emperors in the 17th and 18th centuries; the stunning Simien Mountains with its unique wildlife.

from US\$ 1,270 (59,900 ETB for ET residents)



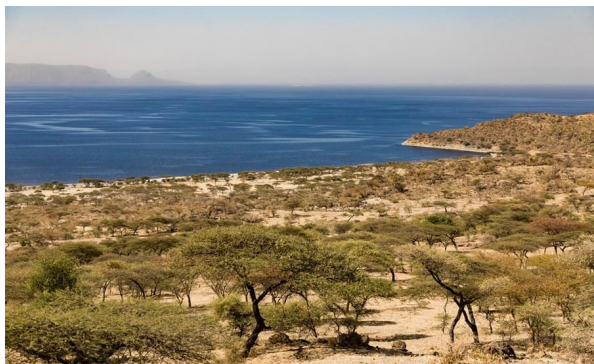
Great Ethiopian Run

19 to 20 November 2022

We also offer you the chance to participate in the Great Ethiopian Run with thousands of local Addis Ababans in Ethiopia's vibrant capital city and to meet Ethiopia's distance running legend and double Olympic gold medallist Haile Gebreselassie.

from US\$ 290 (13,700 ETB for ET residents)





Rift Valley Explorer Tour 21 to 25 November 2022

This tour neatly connects the Run and Bike ride taking you along Ethiopia's chain of Rift Valley lakes to Ethiopia's coffee heartland in the Sidama region. Here you can dive into local culture while visiting local coffee farms and enjoy sampling coffee in an authentic Ethiopian coffee ceremony. At Lake Langano you can bathe among hippos and water birds including Lesser Flamingos. The Rift Valley shows you a vast array of scenery and landscapes with a range of wildlife.

from US\$ 930 (44,100 ETB for ET residents)

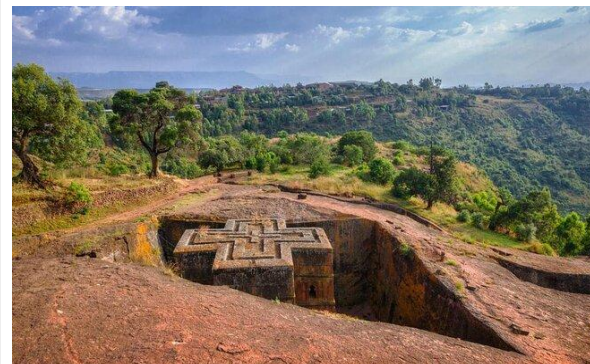


Ankober Charity Challenge 25 to 27 November 2022

On our **Outdoor Adventure Weekend in Ankober** we take you cycling along the Rift Valley escarpment in breathtaking mountain scenery.

This ends with the charity bike ride raising money for local guides and cooks who have had no income due to the impact of COVID19.

from US\$ 300 (13,900 ETB for ET residents)



Northern Explorer Tour 28 November to 5 December 2022

On this lodging tour you will see the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Lalibela, with its labyrinth of 12th-century rock-hewn churches; the castles of Gondar built by Ethiopian emperors in the 17th and 18th centuries; the stunning Simien Mountains with its unique wildlife; and the tropical Lake Tana with a relaxing place to stay on its northern lake shore.

from US\$ 1,810 (85,600 ETB for ET residents)

Any questions? Then contact us at ridetherift2020@gmail.com

Detailed information on day to day itineraries, pricing, booking terms see below.

For booking fill out our [registration form](#).

DETAILED ITINERARIES FOR ALL PACKAGES

Choose from our options below to combine highlights that best fit your dates and preferences.

DATE	DAY	ITINERARY	LOCATION	HOTEL
12/11/2022	Sat	<p>Northern Explorer Trek (7-night lodge & camping tour)</p> <p>After your arrival in Addis Ababa you will take the connecting flight to the holy city of Lalibela. You will be welcomed by your guide at Lalibela airport and transferred to your hotel. Take a short time to refresh yourself after your journey before heading out to see the vibrant Saturday market with the countryside people heading into town to sell everything from livestock to grain, baskets to clay coffee pots. The market is best seen in the late morning. Head back to your hotel for lunch. Take time to rest after lunch, before heading out later in the afternoon with your guide to see a few of the churches of this extraordinary place. You might like to head down to see the sunset and enjoy dinner at Ben Abeba, with its extraordinary architecture and wonderful mountain views (transport can be arranged with your guide or hotel) Later in that night there will be a special service at Bete Mariam to commemorate the Holy Family's flight to Egypt (also marked by the fasting at this time - Tsege Tsom), and at around 10pm head back to the churches to soak up some of this very special atmosphere. Your hotel is close by to the churches, we will take you back for a good night's sleep when you are ready.</p> <p>Meals: B/-/-</p>	Lalibela	Tabor Hotel
13/11/2022	Sun	<p>Today you will visit the rest of the churches in the morning and early afternoon. Today is the annual celebration at Bete Amanuel where there will be chanting and a special mass in the morning. Take a traditional lunch with a family in Lalibela. In the afternoon continue visiting the remaining churches, with their tunnels and passageways. In the evening if you enjoyed Ben Abeba restaurant you might take a second visit, we can arrange a bonfire under the stars and on the way back visit a famous 'house' serving Tej honey wine run by Askalach who(makes the best Tej with traditional Azmari musicians</p> <p>Meals: B/L/-</p>	Lalibela	Tabor Hotel
14/11/2022	Mon	<p>After breakfast, jump in the car for a trip along the escarpment that forms the watershed between the Nile and Tekeze rivers. It takes you through breathtaking mountainous landscapes with drop offs and volcanic plugs, before you descend into the Lake Tana basin. Head north over the mountains with more strange plugs that divide the Tazna basin & Gondar, before you approach the Imperial city.</p>	Gondar	Inn of the Four Sisters

		Meals: B/-/-		
15/11/2022	Tue	<p>Wake up early to breakfast before seeing some of the sights of Gondar, sometimes called the Camelot of Africa, because of the old castles built here by former emperors. The castle compound is around the corner from your lodge - each emperor built his own in park-like grounds where you can escape from the present day and go back to the Ethiopian 17th century. There are stables for horses when dignitaries came for feasts and much more. After heading down into town to the ceremonial baths, that the first Emperor Fasidias built to celebrate Timkat (which commemorates Jesus' baptism in the Jordan river.) Take a quick lunch - before heading to the Simien Mountains National Park. You will stop in the town of Debark where the park HQ is for coffee- before driving into the park. We will drop you off to trek the last few kilometers to Sankaber camp (2,800 m). This area has some of the most lush vegetation and is the best area to see bushbuck and klipspringer. Dinner will be from our camp kitchen.</p> <p>Hike: 3 hrs., 8 km Meals: B/-/D</p>	Simien Mountains NP	Camp Sankaber
16/11/2022	Wed	<p>Trekking day from Sankaber to Geech. In Sankaber you will meet your mules and mulemen. You will hike along the steep slope before you descend to enjoy some impressive views, notably the Jinbar waterfalls which cascade into the Geech Abyss as a thin ribbon of water, with vultures circling on the thermals. From here, you will ascend up along the road and turn off to go down to the Jinbar river itself. This soon after the rains it might be a little deep crossing - but refreshing for your feet! You ascend out of the river by passing the former village of Geech (now resettled in Debark) and continue to your camp at 3,600 m. In the evening you have the possibility to climb Mt. Kedadit just north of the camp and experience an unforgettable sunset.</p> <p>Hike 6-7 hours, 13 km, 1000 m ascent, 700 m descent Meals: B/L/D</p>	Simien Mountains NP	Camp Geech
17/11/2022	Thu	<p>Trek Geech to Chennek. The path leads over the Geech plateau to Imet Gogo, a rocky promontory at 3,926 meters that juts out above the lowlands with one of Ethiopia's most dramatic views - spires and pinnacles of rock thrust up from the lowlands, and the edge of the highlands can be seen twisting away to the south like the edge of a cake that has been cut away with a knife. After enjoying this view, you head down to crossing the upper Jinbar valley and up through a giant heather forest (Erica Arboreal) to the highest peak around - Inatye (4,010 m) for a picnic lunch. From here it is a dramatic trail that often clings to the escarpment edge (those with a fear of heights can keep a distance) as it</p>	Simien Mountains NP	Camp Chennek

		winds down to join the road that links Sankober and Chenek. A few more hundred meters uphill takes you to the campground in Chenek (3,600 m). This campsite is probably the most dramatic of them all - if you walk down to the scout huts at the front of the camp you can enjoy the staggering views both at sunset and sunrise. Hike 7-8 hours, 17 km, 900 m ascent, 900 m descent Meals: B/L/D		
18/11/2022	Fri	For those who like to bag a peak - you can make an early start and climb Bwahit this morning. There is an excellent chance to see the rare Walia Ibex on the north eastern flanks of the mountain. The peak is at 4,430 meters - and after Ras Dashen and its 2 immediate neighbours on the other side of the chasm before you - it is the next highest peak in Ethiopia. On a fine day the views are very impressive. Hurry back down to meet your vehicle to Gondar. The cooks will have prepared a picnic lunch for you. You will drop your team in Debark and carry on to Gondar. Dinner at Four Sisters Restaurant is a nice spot to end your day. Meals: B/L/-	Gondar	Inn of the Four Sisters
19/11/2022	Sat	After breakfast head down the road to visit Debre Berhan Selassie Church, with its splendid paintings covering the walls and ceiling of this lovely church. It was the only survivor of the Mahdi invasion in the late 19th Century. Gondar's market is the biggest in the region with sellers that trade all the way to Sudan. Not far from your hotel it is worth a visit. Take a quick lunch - before heading to Gondar airport for your domestic flight to Addis. We will pick you at the domestic airport, if COVID tests are needed we will assist (excluded in the price) and include a chance to buy a few last minute souvenirs and have a farewell dinner before beginning your journey home. Meals: B/-/D	Addis Ababa	Transfer out or combine with other packages
		Great Ethiopian Run (2-night package) Itinerary for participants of the Great Ethiopian run We will pick you up at the international or domestic airport and bring you to your nearby hotel to get ready for tomorrow's big event.(for anyone flying in earlier in the day we can arrange a visit of Addis Ababa and a chance to loosen up for Sunday's run). For those participating in the run on Sunday there will be a pre-race pasta party in the Hyatt Regency Hotel attended by Ethiopian running legend Haile Gebreselassie. Meals: B/-/D	Addis Ababa	Caravan Hotel

20/11/2022	Sun	<p>Ethiopia is known as a nation of runners and nothing confirms this better than the Great Ethiopian Run when more than 40,000 runners do a 10km loop in the centre of Ethiopia's capital. Some are professional runners, others serious athletes, but many are just having a fund day out, dressed up and dancing to celebrate the occasion.</p> <p>In the early morning we will transfer you near to Meskel Square from where the run will start and end. Depending on your speed you will run some hours to finalize your run. First among the crowds which begin to thin out along the way you will see at first hand how welcoming Ethiopians are and at the same time get an impression of some parts of the capital.</p> <p>We will arrange a simple meeting point for after the run and bring you back to your hotel to refresh and have something to eat. The afternoon is free and we are happy to assist you with any ideas to go around the city to do some sightseeing.</p> <p>Meals: B/-/-</p>	Addis Ababa	Caravan Hotel
21/11/2022	Mon	<p>Rift Valley Explorer Tour (4-night tour)</p> <p>You will be picked by your guide & driver from your hotel at 8am to start your journey. Leaving Addis southwards, you will head into the Great African Rift Valley passing by the majestic Zuqualla volcano near Debre Zeit. After joining the main road to Kenya you will follow the chain of several Rift Valley lakes. At Lake Ziway your guide will show you around the lake shore at Liben with opportunities to spot waterbirds. It is also a good place for an early lunch at the Liben Lodge.</p> <p>Carry on south past lakes Langano, Abijata and Shalla (to be explored a bit later in the trip). Today you will drive further south to Yirga Alem. Arriving in the late afternoon you have enough time to explore the beautiful lodge compound, an old coffee plantation, and join a bonfire and a traditional Ethiopian coffee ceremony before dinner. Dinner in the lodge is unusual for their mix of local and international cuisine. It will be something a bit different.</p> <p>Meals: B/-/D</p>	Yirga Alem	Aregash Lodge
22/11/2022	Tue	<p>In Sidama, around the lodge, farmers live a small-holder life based around agriculture, notably Enset (a banana like plant grown for its root!) and coffee. The top grade coffee is earmarked for European markets, but much is traded within Ethiopia. With your guide walk through the villages meeting farmers getting an idea of their life. Sidama people are very welcoming and often happy to invite you into their homesteads to show you around where you can sit together for a cup of freshly brewed Ethiopian coffee from the jebana (the Ethiopian clay coffee pot) and taste cocho (made from the enset).</p>	Yirga Alem	Aregash Lodge

		<p>After your visit you will head back to Aregash lodge for a relaxed late afternoon and evening, it's a beautiful place to relax. Maybe get up early to do a little loop around the compound with the guards around 6:30am to see the Black & White Colobus monkeys and the hyenas that you will have probably heard during the night. It is also worth taking a walk through the forest in the morning.</p> <p>Meals: B/L/D</p>		
23/11/2022	Wed	<p>Head north to Lake Langano. After a short drive of around 2-3 hours you will arrive at this Rift Valley Lake which is the only lake in Ethiopia which is safe to swim. Bilharzia can not develop here due to the alkaline waters. Bishangari Lodge is the best place around the lake to enjoy the wildlife and natural scenery. In the wooded compound you can see many different birds, and monkeys and often spot the nearby family of hippos. You can also either go for a swim or paddle a bit with their kayaks. There is a forest reserve nearby where you can take a walk with your guide in the afternoon to relax in the cool still of the forest and to see some wildlife, primarily more birds and monkeys.</p> <p>Meals: B/L/D</p>	Langano	Bishangari Lodge
24/11/2022	Thu	<p>Early risers should not miss the chance to do a small game drive in the close-by Abijata-Shalla National Park. It is best to enter the park just after the sun is up to have better chances to see some of the wildlife and waterbirds around its lake shores. The park is actually known for its big colonies of Lesser Flamingos that can be found along the lake shore. The lodge breakfast will taste even better when coming back from a beautiful excursion to the park.</p> <p>After breakfast you drive to the northern edge of Awash National Park where the Doho hot springs are located, a place where huge amounts of hot spring water just comes out of the rock and is diverted into pools to relax with nice views over the wetlands. A great spot to do pool birdwatching in the late afternoon.</p> <p>Meals: B/L/D</p>	Awash	Doho Lodge
25/11/2022	Fri	<p>Alledhegi National Park offers a similar ecosystem like Awash National Park and neighbours your lodge compound. On an early morning game drive through plains and bushlands you can discover Oryx Antelopes and Soemmering's Gazelles as well as the Gerenuk Antelope with its giraffe-like neck that can only be found in some few parts of Eastern Africa.</p> <p>We will have a simple picnic lunch as we drive up from the Afar lowlands passing by camel caravans and bush, then heading higher up the Rift valley edge where donkeys become the main carriers. We will stop for a coffee in Aleyu Amba - the town where the lowlands and highlands meet before driving on up to the historic town of Ankober where former Ethiopian Emperor Menelik had his palace will be</p>	Ankober	Camp Lik Marefia or Ankober Palace Lodge

		<p>the setting for our Ride the Rift charity bike ride. Cycling and hiking along these mountainous slopes with vistas down in the Rift Valley and into the forest is what you have to look forward to for the next few days. In the afternoon you will meet other participants arriving from Addis Ababa for the weekend and join them for the first activities on Friday afternoon.</p> <p>Meals: B/L/D</p>		
		<p>Outdoor Adventure: Ankober Charity Challenge (2-night package)</p> <p>Our charity bike ride around Ankober was born in 2020 when the pandemic hit and freelance tourism professionals remained without income for months. As a group of four Ethiopian tour operators we came up with the idea to run this event to raise funds for those most in need. The situation has not changed in 2022 and we wanted to run this bike ride again. This is now one of the best cycling and hiking tours you can do in Ethiopia. Stay at our riders' camp at Lik Marefia on the edge of the forest or do it in a bit more luxury at Ankober Palace Lodge -a rebuild of the former Emperor's palace. At the camp mingle with the locals, your fellow riders and their friends and family. We provide you with all you need for your weekend including tents and camp equipment, toilets, bucket showers, all meals, and participant and bike transfers from Addis Ababa to and from the event. The total number of riders will be 30 to a max. 50 participants (some camping, some in the lodge), but during activities you will be split into smaller groups with your individual guides. Today is the arrival day with some beautiful hiking options and flatter mountain biking opportunities. Bike rental is available at an additional cost for the weekend.</p> <p>Meals: B/L/D</p>	Ankober	Camp Lik Marefia or Ankober Palace Lodge
26/11/2022	Sat	On Saturday morning you can choose from a wide range of activities for the day. Our experienced guides offer you different level cycling and hiking opportunities. All of our cycling, hiking & running routes allow you to marvel at the beauty of landscapes as you pass through local villages and explore quiet scenic trails.	Ankober	Camp Lik Marefia or Ankober Palace Lodge
27/11/2022	Sun	<p>Today is the day of the actual charity ride which will start near Lik Marefia just below the Wof Washa forest and ends in a finish at Ankober lodge where a crowd of locals and some family members will cheer you over the finish line.</p> <p>After our great finishing party with some buffet lunch provided by the lodge we will put you on our transport back to Addis Ababa. Whereas some of you might live in Addis and go home, others will be catching their return flights back home.</p>	Addis Ababa	<p>Transfer out</p> <p>extra per person overnight in Addis in Caravan Hotel</p> <p>Single: 60 USD</p> <p>Twin: 40 USD</p>

28/11/2022	Mon	<p>Option for later international departures (COVID testing or other plans)</p> <p>If you want to spend another night in Addis Ababa, you can book your hotel with us in Addis Ababa for an extra night. See hotel prices and airport drop off below. We are happy to assist you with the COVID testing which might give you the extra time to do a tour of the sites in Addis Ababa.</p> <p><i>Price for add. city tour in Addis Ababa incl. guide and private minivan 110 USD per group (excl. fees for COVID PCR testing, entrances to sights and meals)</i></p> <p>Meals: B/-/-</p>	Addis Ababa	Transfer out
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28/11/2022	Mon	<p>Northern Explorer Tour (7-night lodging tour)</p> <p>You will take an early flight from Addis Ababa to Lalibela. Lalibela, the centre of Ethiopia during the Zagwe dynasty, was until recently a remote village that was home to a labyrinth of rock hewn churches connected by tunnels and trenches. Road access to Lalibela only came in the early 1970s, and even then it was inaccessible in the rainy season. But inside its rocks was perhaps Ethiopia's most remarkable secret as you will see.</p> <p>You will be welcomed by your guide at Lalibela airport and transferred to your hotel. After a quick lunch you will spend the afternoon visiting one of the clusters churches which were excavated out of the bedrock in the late 12th century by the Saint King Lalibela.</p> <p>After your tour, why not go to Ben Abeba with its extraordinary architecture and wonderful mountain views?</p> <p>Meals: B/-/-</p>	Lalibela	Tabor Hotel
29/11/2022	Tue	<p>Wake up early and explore the remaining churches - it is more atmospheric in the early morning. Head back to the hotel for brunch and a transfer at 10am to the Meket Plateau from where your community trekking to Mequat Mariam will start.</p> <p>We will drop you on the road a short walk from the cliff edge site at Meskal Mikael where a simple local lunch (enjara and vegetarian sauces) will be awaiting you, and home brewed coffee. From here it is another 3h30m walk across the meadows and along the escarpment to Mequat Mariam. This is one of the most delightful walks on the trek. One of our favourite spots is Sar Dingay (Grass Rock) - a glade of trees used as the resting place for the tabot (sacred replica of the tablets of stone kept in each church) when it is processed out for Timkat). As at all guesthouses snacks and tea await you on arrival, there are also beers (cooled by the cold air at altitude). But here you have a rocky ledge - the Mequat</p>	Meket	Mequat Mariam Community Guesthouse

		<p>Rock Bar - from which to enjoy the most incredible views at sunset.</p> <p>Mequat is also home to a small troop of Gelada baboons (kept away from the crops at this time of the year), there are also Vervet Monkeys and the rodent like Rock Hyrax in the area, and a regular Lammergeyer flies overhead. A large flock of white-billed starlings, endemic to Ethiopia, also nest in the cliffs here.</p> <p>Walking time approx 4hrs + stops)</p> <p>Meals: B/L/D (2,800m)</p>		
30/11/2022	Wed	<p>The trek out from Mequat takes you through villages and past schools descending through a juniper woodland to passing by the church of Werkhaye Mariam. Just beyond the woods facing the meadows you will be served a simple lunch by the community before meeting up with your transport for your journey back down to lower altitude.</p> <p>The journey takes you through breathtaking mountainous landscapes with drop offs and volcanic plugs, before you descend into the Lake Tana basin. It is time for a change, as we drop in altitude to the subtropical Lake Tana Biosphere Reserve (Lake Tana is Ethiopia's largest lake, and has a deep history of Christian and Judaic settlement). Your overnight stay will be in a simple lodge with views from Lake Tana's Northern shore.</p> <p>Meals: B/L/D (1,800m)</p>	Gorgora	Tim & Kim Village
01/12/2022	Thu	<p>With the lodge kayaks you can go on a peaceful early morning boat trip to nearby monastery islands and soak up the nature. Lake Tana is a haven for water birds: egrets, cormorants, pelicans, herons, fish eagles, cranes and much more. Possibly even a large monitor lizard</p> <p>Gorgora is also the home of the 17th century Debre Sina Mariam church. Surrounded by an old forest the church lies right at the lake shore and its impressively painted interior makes this a very special place to visit. Take your time here to get in touch with Ethiopia's religious history before heading back to the lodge to relax in the afternoon.</p> <p>Meals: B/L/D</p>	Gorgora	Tim & Kim Village
02/12/2022	Fri	<p>After breakfast you start your journey to Simien Mountains National Park for a 2 days nature adventure in one of the countries top lodges. You will drive up through Gondar, and on up to the Simien mountains. You will stop in the town of Debarq where the park HQ is for lunch and coffee- before driving into the park. After some refreshments at the lodge your guide will take you on a 2 hour hike with breathtaking views to the lowlands and some amazing wildlife. Certainly the stars of the park are the red-breasted Gelada baboons that prefer the lush green vegetation around the lodge</p>	Simien Mountains NP	Simien Lodge

		for feeding. Hike: 2 hrs., 5 km Meals: B/-/D		
03/12/2022	Sat	Your guide takes you on a day excursion through the park. After a short transfer you will hike along a steep slope in the Sankober area of the park, known for the bushbuck and klipspringer found here. before you descend to enjoy some impressive views, notably the Jinbar waterfalls cascade into the Geech Abyss as a thin ribbon of water, with vultures circling on the thermals. A gravel road brings you even further into the park to Chennek from where the majestic North-Eastern face of the Simiens can be seen with cliffs that drop vertically for almost 1500 m. There is an excellent chance to see the rare Walia Ibex on the north eastern flanks of the mountain as well. Hike: 4 hrs., 10 km Meals: B/L/D	Simien Mountains NP	Simien Lodge
04/12/2022	Sun	After breakfast enjoy the views one last time before your drive back to Gondar (2 hrs). Gondar is sometimes called the Camelot of Africa, because of the old castles built here by former emperors. After lunch you will have time to wander around the park-like grounds in which the castles are enclosed. It's a peaceful place and you can conjure up images of how Ethiopia was in the 17th century. There are also stables for horses when dignitaries come for feasts and other buildings. Then head down into town to the ceremonial baths that the first Emperor Fasilidas built to celebrate Timkat (which commemorates Jesus' baptism in the Jordan river.) This is also a tranquil spot. If time allows, head up the hill to Quskwam to see the ruined palace on the Empress Mentwab on a hill above the town. Meals: B/-/-	Gondar	Inn of the Four Sisters
05/12/2022	Mon	After breakfast in your hotel, head down the road to visit Debre Berhan Selassie Church, with its splendid paintings covering the walls and ceiling of angels. It is a wonderful way to end your visit to Ethiopia seeing one of the most beautifully painted churches. Afterwards enjoy a coffee in Piazza overlooking the statue of Emperor Tewedros and the Art Deco centre of the town, before heading to the hotel to get your gear and driving back to Gondar airport for your domestic flight to Addis. We will pick you at the domestic airport, if COVID tests are needed we will assist (excluded in the price) and include a chance to buy a few last minute souvenirs and have dinner before beginning your journey home. Meals: B/-/D	Addis Ababa	Transfer out extra per person overnight in Addis in Caravan Hotel Single: 60 USD Twin: 40 USD

06/12/2022	Tue	<p>Option for later international departures (COVID testing or other plans)</p> <p>If you want to spend another night in Addis Ababa, you can book your hotel with us in Addis Ababa for an extra night. See hotel prices and airport drop off below. We are happy to assist you with the COVID testing which might give you the extra time to do a tour of the sites in Addis Ababa.</p> <p><i>Price for add. city tour in Addis Ababa incl. guide and private minivan 110 USD per group (excl. fees for COVID PCR testing, entrances to sights and meals)</i></p> <p>Meals: B/-/-</p>	Addis Ababa	Transfer out
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PRICING & CONDITIONS

	FOR THE NORTHERN EXPLORER TREK (7 nights lodging & camping)	FOR THE RIFT VALLEY EXPLORER TOUR (4 nights)	FOR THE NORTHERN EXPLORER TOUR (7 nights lodging)
INCLUSIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - two domestic flights in Ethiopia with Ethiopian Airlines in tourist class (Addis Ababa - Lalibela, Gondar - Addis Ababa) (extra fee of 180 USD if the international flight is not performed with Ethiopian Airlines); - 4x hotel accommodation in double/twin rooms with private toilet/shower in hotels or lodges, 3 camping nights in tents for 2 persons in Simien National Park; - supplement for single room/tent (only applicable in camps, hotels/lodges, but not during community trekking) 155 USD; - all transfers and travels in Ethiopia with private car; - all breakfasts, other meals as per itinerary (1 drink per meal included, alcoholic drinks excluded); - farewell dinner - all entrance fees and permissions at tourist attractions, churches, museums and national parks; - for the trekkings: entrance and camping fees, guide, scouts and rangers, mules/dromedaries and mulemen, cook, cooking assistant, cooking and camping equipment (it's recommended to bring your own sleeping bag); - all persons for safety and security (when mandatory); - all (mandatory) local guides in the single destinations; - 24/7 emergency assistance; - 2 experienced tour guides (1 for Lalibela churches, 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 4x hotel accommodation in double/twin rooms with private toilet/shower in lodges; - supplement for single room 190 USD; - all transfers and travels in Ethiopia with private vehicles; - all breakfasts, other meals as per itinerary (1 drink per meal included, alcoholic drinks excluded); - farewell dinner - all entrance fees and permissions at tourist attractions, churches, museums and national parks; - all persons for safety and security (when mandatory); - all (mandatory) local guides in the single destinations; - 24/7 emergency assistance; - 1 experienced RTR tour guide (fluent in English & Amharic). <p>** Please bring water purification kit - we try not to use water in plastic bottles - this will save you expense too!!</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2 domestic flights in Ethiopia with Ethiopian Airlines in tourist class (Addis Ababa - Lalibela, Gondar - Addis Ababa) (extra fee of 180 USD if the international flight is not performed with Ethiopian Airlines); - 6x hotel accommodation in double/twin rooms with private toilet/shower in hotels or lodges, 1x accommodation in community guesthouses on the Meket Plateau; - supplement for single room (only applicable in camps, hotels/lodges, but not during community trekking) 260 USD; - all transfers and travels in Ethiopia with private vehicles; - 1 guided kayak trip on Lake Tana; - all breakfasts, other meals as per itinerary (1 drink per meal included, alcoholic drinks excluded); - farewell dinner - all entrance fees and permissions at tourist attractions, churches, museums and national parks; - all persons for safety and security (when mandatory); - all (mandatory) local guides in the single destinations; - 24/7 emergency assistance; - 4 experienced tour guides (1 guide for Addis Ababa, 1 for Lalibela churches, 1 for community trekking in Meket, 1 for Gondar & Simiens) (fluent in English &

	<p>for Gondar & Simiens) (fluently English & Amharic speaking); - driver guide for the last day in Addis Ababa (fluent in English & Amharic).</p> <p>** Please bring water purification kit - we try not to use water in plastic bottles - this will save you expense too!!</p>		<p>Amharic).</p> <p>** Please bring water purification kit - we try not to use water in plastic bottles - this will save you expense too!!</p>
EXCLUSIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - international flights; - lunch & dinner as per itinerary; - COVID tests or other requirements linked to COVID travel measures; - travel insurance; - visa in Ethiopia; - sleeping bag (not needed for all tours); - alcoholic drinks; - tipping; - photo and video fees (if any); - all extras and personal expenditures. 		
OPTIONAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - city tour in Addis Ababa incl. guide and private minivan 110 USD per group (excl. entrances and meals). - additional overnight in Addis Ababa at Caravan Hotel (incl. airport shuttle, room & breakfast) 60 USD per person/night/single room; - additional overnight in Addis Ababa at Caravan Hotel (incl. airport shuttle, room & breakfast) 40 USD per person/night/twin room. 		
PRICE	<p>7-night tour: 1.270 USD per person (59,900 ETB for ET residents)</p> <p>min. 4 to max. 8 pax</p>	<p>4-night tour: 930 USD per person (44,100 ETB for ET residents)</p> <p>min. 4 to max. 8 pax</p>	<p>7-night tour: 1,810 USD per person (85,600 ETB for ET residents)</p> <p>min. 4 to max. 8 pax</p>

	FOR THE GREAT ETHIOPIAN RUN	FOR THE ANKOBER CHARITY CHALLENGE
INCLUSIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2x hotel accommodation in double/twin rooms with breakfast and private toilet/shower in hotel in Addis Ababa; - all transfers and travels with private vehicles; - pre-race pasta party on the evening before the run attended by Haile Gebreselassie; - race T-shirt; - participation to the 10k Great Ethiopian Run 2021; - running guide for both the pasta party and the run; - face mask and refreshments during the run; - first aid support during the run. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2 camping nights in tents for 2 persons incl. rental tent & mattress; - mules/porters to carry the luggage to the campsite; - all transfers and travels with private vehicles; - transport for bikes (from/to Addis & during the rides); - all meals as per itinerary (incl. water, coffee/tea, alcoholic drinks excluded); - refreshments & sandwiches for the rides & other activities; - guides for rides and hiking; - T-Shirt for the bike ride; - first aid support; - technician support.
EXCLUSIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - international flights; - COVID tests or other requirements linked to COVID travel measures; - travel insurance; - visa in Ethiopia; - meals not included in the itinerary; - alcoholic drinks; - tipping; - all extras and personal expenditures. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - international flights; - COVID tests or other requirements linked to COVID travel measures; - travel insurance; - visa in Ethiopia; - sleeping bag; - fee for horse-riding or other not mentioned activities; - alcoholic drinks; - tipping; - all extras and personal expenditures.
OPTIONAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - supplement for single room 35 USD. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - upgrade to overnight in Ankober Lodge instead of 2 nights camping 120 USD per person in double/twin room; - supplement for single tent 25 USD; - good quality mountain bikes can be rented for the whole tour for 45 USD.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - additional overnight in Addis Ababa at Caravan Hotel (incl. airport shuttle, room & breakfast) 60 USD per person/night/single room; - additional overnight in Addis Ababa at Caravan Hotel (incl. airport shuttle, room & breakfast) 40 USD per person/night/twin room. 	
PRICE	2-night tour: 290 USD per person (13,700 ETB for ET residents) min. 4 to max. 15 pax	2-night tour: 300 USD per person (13,900 ETB for ET residents) min. 20 to max. 50 pax

BOOKING TERMS

<p>BOOKING TERMS</p>	<p>If not agreed differently, the following payment and cancellation terms apply for bookings with Ride the Rift: At registration: 10% registration fee of total trip costs Until 14 days before the trip: remaining payment</p> <p>We will send you all the necessary information for the payment and advise you to settle the payment as soon as possible to secure your place in the tours.</p>	
<p>CANCELATION POLICY</p>	<p>FOR THE GREAT ETHIOPIAN RUN & THE ANKOBER CHARITY CHALLENGE</p> <p>Your booking will only be confirmed with payment of the registration fee. A cancellation must be reported to the organizers in written form and the following conditions apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - more than 7 days before the trip: registration fee (non-refundable), further payments made will be refunded - there will be no refund in the case of cancellation less than 7 days before the trip - if for some unforeseen reason these tours do not happen, full refund will be given 	<p>FOR THE NORTHERN EXPLORER TREK & TOUR AND THE RIFT VALLEY EXPLORER TOUR</p> <p>Your booking will only be confirmed with payment of the registration fee. A cancellation must be reported to the organizers in written form and the following conditions apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - more than 30 days before the trip: cancellation for free, advance payment made will be refunded - there will be 90% refund in the case of cancellation between 29 to 14 days before the trip - there will be 70% refund in the case of cancellation between 13 to 4 days before the trip - there will be no refund in the case of cancellation less than 3 days before the trip - if for some unforeseen reason this tour does not happen, full refund will be given