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TOUR CODE: OTE-3002
TOUR TITLE: Omo Valley
DURATION: 11 NIGHTS & 12 DAYS

DAY1. Arrive at the Addis Ababa Bole International Airport & transfer to hotel for overnight stay. Overnight Hotel in ADDIS ABABA

DAY2. Full day city tour of the capital city, ADDIS ABABA, consisting of the national museum, the trinity cathedral church, MERKATO (One of the largest open air markets in AFRICA), SHIROMEDA (market for traditional clothes) & mount ENTOTO, situated at about 3200mts high, a panoramic view to see Addis Ababa and its surroundings. Overnight hotel in ADDIS ABABA

DAY3. After breakfast leave Addis Ababa and drive about 455kms to Arbaminch. Morning visit the 12th century rock hewn church of Adadi Mariam & the monolithic stelae site of Tiya. In the afternoon, if time allows, ascend to Guge Mountain, to visit the Dorze tribe and their magnificent beehive shaped hut, false banana cultivations and weaving culture. Overnight Hotel in ARBAMINCH

DAY4. In the morning, drive about 5kms to Netchsar National Park, the home of the rare endemic Swayne's Hartebeest, Burchell's Zebra, Grant's gazelle and numerous birds. In the afternoon take a boat trip on Lake Chamo to see hippos, large size crocodiles and birds. Overnight Lodge in ARBAMINCH

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DAY5. After breakfast leave Arbaminch and drive about 250kms to Jinka via Konso, visit the Darashe people and their village en route; have your lunch at Weito then continue driving to Jinka exploring Tsemay and Benna tribal village, and if the day is **Thursday** there is a chance to attend the colorful Keyafer Market which is attended by the **BENNA, TSEMAY and ARI** tribal groups. Overnight Hotel in JINKA

DAY6. In the Morning, drive about 90kms to Mago National park & make an excursion tour to see and appreciate the very attractive culture of Mursi tribe. They are renowned for the **strange custom pursued by their women**, who on reaching maturity, have their lower lips pierced and pop in a “terra cotta” (circular clay disc). Overnight Hotel in JINKA

DAY7. In the morning, drive about 130kms to Turmi, settlement of the Hamer tribe via Dimeka and Key Afer exploring the Hamer and Benna tribal village and if the day is **Saturday** there is a chance to attend the colorful Dimeka market and encounter three different tribal group like the **HAMMER, KARO and BENNA**. Overnight Lodge in TURMI

Day8. Drive about 65kms for a full day excursion to Murelle. Here one can visit the Karo ethnic groups, experts in body painting. After having lunch drive to **DASENECH** people; who inhabited in the bank of Omo River and cross the Omo River by locally made boat to see the village. Overnight Lodge in TURMI

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Day9. Morning, leave Turmi and drive about 195kms to Konso, on the way visit the Erboore tribal village. After lunch break in Konso, pay time to explore the Konso tribal village, meet their chief and learn their way of life; late afternoon, drive back to the hotel for dinner and overnight stay. Overnight Lodge in KONSO

Day10. Morning, drive to visit the very famous village known as Gesrgeyo inhabited by the Konso tribal people & proceed to the famous place called "New York" to witness unique land formation, then drive back to the hotel for lunch break. In the afternoon, drive about 110kms to the city of Yabello through the admirable Borena tribal villages. Overnight Hotel in YABELLO

Day11. In the morning, drive about 105kms to lake **El-Sod** meaning "Salt House" to visit how the Borena tribe extract salt from the lake and then drive back to Yabello for lunch. After lunch, drive about 240kms to Yirgalem through the scenic Sidama plain. En route visit the Gujji tribe, coffee and Enset (false Banana) plantation. Late in the afternoon, walk in the lodge ground and surrounding forest to see wild animal such as hyenas. Overnight Lodge in YIRGALEM

Day12. After breakfast, back to Addis Ababa through the marvelous Rift Valley lakes of Hawassa, Langano and Ziway. In the evening, after a fair-well dinner in one of the traditional restaurants, transfer to the airport for departure.

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