Ethiogian Adventure tours

Train to Harrar Tour - 3 Days, 2 Nights Itinerary

DAY 1 - Travel by train and vehicle to Harrar

Catch the 8:00 am train travelling 7.5 hours on a new track running about 450 km east to Dire Dawa. This train goes right through to Djibouti, 750 km or 12 hours, away. Dire Dawa is the access city to Harrar, a further 50 km drive into the mountains.

You are met at the station mid-afternoon by your local guide in a vehicle who will drive you on good asphalt road through a dry and rising mountainous landscape to your hotel in Harrar. Go out for dinner.

Sleep: Harrar

DAY 2 – Feel Harrar

Experience the best of Harrar's history, diversity and surprises including the magnificent mosques, the network of maze-like and car-free alleyways in the old city of Jugol, the 6 gates in the 16thcentury walls, a variety of markets under shade cloths, museums and being invited into a traditional Harrari home. Drive your senses nuts and watch the famous Harrar variety of coffee bean being roasted. You'll have the vehicle and driver at your disposal all day so feel free to drive out of town to visit the Valley of Marvels with its impossibly tall and precarious stacks of rock.

Sleep: Harrar

DAY 3 – Drive to Dire Dawa. Fly back to Addis Ababa

Drive 50 km back to Dire Dawa, look around town. Perhaps visit the Railway Museum. There was a big French presence here a century ago. The French built the original, narrow gauge railway line from Djibouti to Addis Ababa via Dire Dawa in 1917. Some of the old, abandoned, rusting and sand swamped stations are a photographer's dream at dusk. Such a station can be visited on the afternoon of Day 1 of the 4-Day Harrar Tour at Awash Arba town.

Catch the early afternoon flight back to Addis Ababa.

The tour ends on arrival back in Addis Ababa.

Accommodation to suit all budgets can be arranged by Ethiopian Adventure Tours as a service to clients between short tours.

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