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**DFD-04-2011: Omo valley Cultural Safari****Duration= 11 days/10nights****Route = Cultural route of Southern Ethiopia- Omo valley tribes****Transportation:- 4x4 vehicles**

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<b>Month</b>	<b>Tour Dates</b>	<b>4-10pax</b>	<b>2-3pax</b>	<b>Single room supplement</b>
<b>Jan</b>	Jan 24 -Feb 03,2011	USD 2,200	USD 2,437	USD 315
<b>Feb</b>	Feb 13- Feb23,2011	USD 2,200	USD 2,437	USD 315
<b>Mar</b>	Mar13-Mar23,2011	USD 2,200	USD 2,437	USD 315
<b>Apr</b>	Apr 17-Apr27,2011	USD 1,959	USD 2,170	USD 280
<b>May</b>	May8-May18,2011	USD 1,959	USD 2,170	USD 280
<b>Jun</b>	Jun 05-Jun15,2011	USD 1,959	USD 2,170	USD 280
<b>Jul</b>	Jul 03-Jul13,2011	USD 2,059	USD 2,281	USD 295
<b>Aug</b>	Aug07-17,2011	USD 2,059	USD 2,281	USD 295
<b>Sep</b>	Sep07-Sep17,2011	USD 2,059	USD 2,281	USD 295
<b>Oct</b>	Oct02- Oct12,2011	USD 2,141	USD 2,372	USD 307
<b>Nov</b>	Nov15-Nov25,2011; Nov29-Dec09,2011	USD 2,141	USD 2,372	USD 307

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**Itinerary**

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**Day 1 – Arrival + Addis**

Be welcomed by your guide on arrival at Addis Ababa Bole International Air Port, and transfer-in to hotel.  
O/N – Global or Similar 4\* Hotel

**Day 2 – Addis – Tiya – Adadi Mariam – Langanu**

Drive south to the Rift Valley Lake of Langanu visiting the rock-hewn church of Adadi Mariam that is believed to be the southern most church founded by King Lalibela, the pre-historic archeological site of Melka Kunture, and the stelea field of Tiya (UNESCO World Heritage Site). At Lake Langanu enjoy swimming and bird watching around. O/N – Sabana Beach Resort

**Day 3 – Langanu – Arba Minch**

Drive 300 km south to Arba Minch visiting the tribal people of Alaba who are noted for their beautifully painted houses, Wolita, known for their cultivation of Enset or False Banana, and Dorze – who are renowned for their huge huts and colorful cotton clothes, en route. O/N – Paradise Lodge

**Day 4 – Arba Minch**

Morning visit of the Nech Sar National Park to visit mammals like Swains Hartebeest (endemic), Burchil's Zebra, Grants Gazelle and also endemic birds like the thick-billed raven, the Wattled ibis, and the mysterious Nech Sar nightjar, and in the afternoon have a remarkable boat trip on the rift valley lake of

Chamo to visit the 'crocodile market' where you can see display of large African Crocodiles, hippopotamus, and low land water birds. O/N – Paradise Lodge

#### **Day 5 – Arba Minch – Jinka**

Drive 275 km south to Jinka visiting the villages of the Konso people who are renowned for their colorful hand-woven cotton clothes and beautiful rock terraces. *(If the day is Thursday, stop on your way at Key Afer to visit the most colorful multicultural market in the Lower Omo Valley, which is attended, by the tribal groups of Ari, Benna, and Tsemai.)*

O/N – Jinka Resort Hotel

#### **Day 6 – Jinka**

Today, you will have an excursion to the Mago National Park and visit the people of Mursi who are typically known for the clay lip plates of the women. Then, drive back to Jinka and visit the Cultural Museum of the People of the Lower Omo Valley.

O/N – Jinka Resort Hotel

#### **Day 7 – Jinka – Turmi**

Drive to Turmi – the village of the Hamar people whose women are noted for their typical hairdressing, and leather skirts. *(If today is Saturday or Tuesday, you will have a stop at the colorful weekly market of the Hamar and the Benna people at Dimeka.)*

O/N – Buska Lodge

#### **Day 8 - Turmi**

In the morning, you will have an excursion to Omo Rate to visit the Dasenech people who are the southernmost people of the country and are known for their scarifications. Then, with a picnic lunch stop at Murulle, head to Korcho – the village of the Karo people. *(OR if the day is Saturday or Tuesday, have an excursion in the afternoon to visit the colorful weekly market of the Hamar at Dimeka, or if Monday at Turmi.)* O/N – Buska Lodge

#### **Day 9 – Turmi – Yabello**

Drive to Yabello with a stop at the villages of the nomadic people of Erbore. O/N – Yabello Motel

#### **Day 10 – Yabello – Awassa**

Head to the north visiting the nomadic people of Borena, and the other people of Sidama who are renowned for their cultivation of Enset or False Banana. O/N – Pina Hotel

#### **Day 11 – Awassa – Addis**

Visiting the 'Fish Market' at the Shore of Lake Awassa, drive back to Addis visiting the chains of the Rift Valley Lakes of Langano, Abiyatta, Shalla, and Ziway. Have a free afternoon in Addis. In the evening before departure, have a fare well dinner party at one of the best traditional restaurants where you will see the folkloric dances of the people of Ethiopia, and taste the variety of Ethiopian meals.

Then, be transferred to the airport for your departure

#### **Price inclusive of:-**

- Accommodation on a twin room sharing basis

- All meals out of Addis, and only breakfast in Addis
- All entrance fees
- All transfer in and out services
- All ground transportation
- Professional English speaking guide
- Portage fees
- All local guides
- Scout fees
- Boat hire on lake Chamo
- Government tax

**Price exclusive of:-**

- International airfare
- Lunch and dinner in Addis
- Any alcoholic drinks
- Personal expense like souvenirs, laundry, etc
- Tips
- Any expense which is not stated in the 'Included List' above