

## 10 Days Afar, Dallol Depression & Ertale

### Tour Summary

The Great Rift Valley which extends from Middle East to Mozambique passes in the north-south direction right through Ethiopia. This shearing of the earth's surface occurred at the same time that the Arabian Peninsula split from the rest of Africa. Volcanic activity which has continued until today finds expression in volcanoes in Ethiopia's Danakil Depression, as well as in the hot springs in many parts of the country.

The Dallol craters are the lowest known volcanic vents in the earth (in some areas it is more than 116 meters below sea level), which is not covered by water. In the area, there are hot yellow sulfur fields among the sparkling white salt beds. In the area temperature is extremely hot and the daily temperature soars to 48degree Celsius, in addition frequent earth tremors and several active volcanoes are typical expressions of Dallol depression.

Erta 'ale and Dallol depression are becoming hot tourism destinations in Ethiopia, and from time to time these attractions are getting wider global electronics and print media coverage from famous enterprises, such as BBC, CNN, the Guardian news paper, etc. These adventure tour programs covers national parks and rear wild life, afar people way of life, the land of hominid (Lucy), salt excavation and market areas, the Tigray plateau and ancient walled city of Harar. It is also possible to combine these programs with historic route, Bale Mountain and Omo valley tribal experience trips.

An adventure tour to Erta 'ale and Dallol Depression can be done from minimum of 6 days to 11 days and above, and Wub Ethiopia tours has the necessary logistics, expertise and local network with indigenous communities which need to execute these exciting tours to Erta' ale and Dallol depression.

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- **Tour Code: WET-602**
- **Duration: 10days 9nights**
- **Tour Title: Afar, Dallol Depression & Ertale**
- **Transportation: Surface driving**

**Day1.** Arrive Addis Ababa Bole international airport and transfer to hotel. Depending on your arrival time make Addis Ababa city tour including the National Museum, which is home to the fossilized hominid (Lucy), the Ethnological Museum, which was the former palace of Haile Selassie and then continue on to Holy Trinity Cathedral Orthodox Church. Overnight in Hotel



### **Day2. Drive to Dessie**

Morning drive to Dessie via Debre Birhan. Enroute visit the breath taking sceneries of Tarma Ber and Debre Sina. Overnight hotel.

### **Day3. Drive to Mekele**

Morning after breakfast drive to Mekelle through the marvelous landscapes, on the way visits the Alamata Kobo Chain Mountains and daily Kobo market. Overnight Mekele in hotel.

### **Day4. Drive to Berha Ale**

Morning drive to Berha Ale and obtain visit permit to Ahmed Ela and Dallol. Overnight camping at Berha Ale.

### **Day5. Drive to Dallol**

Early morning drive to Ahmed Ela and explore the salt lake and salt mines. Overnight camping at Ahmed Ela

### **Day6. Drive to Erta Ale**

Morning drive from Ahmed Ela through Dallol to ascend Erta Ale. Overnight around Erta Ale.

### **Day7. Drive to Afdera**

Morning descend Erta Ale and drive through Dodom to Afdera. Overnight camp at Afdera

### **Day8. Drive to Logia**

Morning drive through Serdo and Semera towards Logia .Overnight in Local Hotel at Logia

### **Day9. Drive to Bilen**

Morning after breakfast drive to Bilen . Overnight in Lodge at Bilen

### **Day10. Bilen-Harar**

Early morning drive to Harar and make Sightseeing tour of Harar including Jugol, Harari Museum, and Arthur Rimbaud house. Evening attend the hyena-man show. Overnight in a hotel

### **Day11. Drive back to Addis Ababa**

Morning after breakfast, drive back to Addis Ababa and arrive early in the evening. Attend a farewell dinner at traditional restaurant and transfer to the airport for your departure.