MONTGOMERY COUNTY-GONDAR ETHIOPIA SISTER CITY GROUP

Departure Date : January 16, 2019

From : Washington Dulles International (IAD) to Addis Ababa Ethiopia (ADD)

Mode of transportation: Air & Ground

Tour code : TYNCHY

Jan 17: Arrival -Addis Ababa (The new Flower)

After a long flight to the beautiful Country of Ethiopia, the group will arrive at the Hotel to get settled in. The first excursion will be a visit to the U.S Embassy to attend a briefing. Following the Embassy, we will explore the Ethiopian National Museum, which houses numerous antiquarian relics and archaeological artifacts. The museum has many inspirational and historical artifacts but by far the most famous exhibit of the museum is the 3.5-million-year-old skeleton of "'Lucy"!

Jan 18: Fly Addis Ababa –> Gondar (The Camelot of Africa) Timket Festival

After breakfast, we will fly to Gondar, the 16th century fortress city, and former capital of Ethiopia. Ethiopia is known for its extravagant Holiday celebration, Timket Festival (which means "baptism" in Amharic). This holiday is the Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church's celebration of Epiphany, which represents the baptism of Jesus Christ in the Jordan River by John the Baptist. Following the Festival we will visit the Debre Berhan Selassie Church (built in the 17th Century by Emperor Eyasu II and preserved by an archangel). Lastly, we will join the Mayor of Gondar for a Welcome Reception.

Jan 19: Timket Festival Water Baptism in Gondar

On this day, Timket Festival will include the famous Water Baptism. The group will awake early in the morning to partake in a commemoration of Christ's baptism in the Jordan River by John the Baptist.

Jan 20: Sightseeing in Gondar

The delegation together with our host will embark on adventure to see the ancient castles of Emperor Fasilides. Members of the group will also be able to sight see Churches, Mosques, and visit the Falasha Jewish community. We will also visit the traditional market in Gondar's city center.

Jan 21: Celebration of Dr. King's Birthday at the University of Gondar

In the morning, the group will visit the University of Gondar and University Hospital for a private tour. Following the tour, the Group, along with the University President will present information on Dr. Martin Luther King's success. In the afternoon, the group will meet with religious leaders while Montgomery College meets with representatives from Gondar University. The college representatives will discuss ways to sustain and strengthen the relationship between the two higher education institutions.

Jan 22: Community Projects in Gondar – In the morning, the group will meet with the Mayors Office. Following this, the group will participate in community projects (Visit Poly Clinic and recognizing a Park) to strengthen our People to People relationship in Gondar. In the afternoon, we will visit elementary schools.

Jan 23 : Bahir Dar

Early morning we will drive to Bahir Dar which is one of the leading tourist destinations in Ethiopia, with a variety of attractions in the nearby Lake Tana and Blue Nile river. We will stay 1 night in Bahir Dar.

Jan 24 Bahir Dar → Addis Ababa

Sister City will fly to Addis Ababa on this day and will have a farewell dinner. We will spend one night in Addis Ababa.

Jan 25 Addis Ababa → Washington DC

The group will visit AU and following this, the group will wait for our flight back to Washington Dulles.

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Departure (From)	Departure Date	Arrival (To)	Arrival Date
Dulles (IAD)	Jan 16, 2019	Addis Ababa (ADD)	Jan 17, 2019
Addis Ababa (ADD)	Jan 18, 2019	Gondar (GDQ)	Jan 18, 2019
*Gondar (Driving)	Jan 23, 2019	Bahir Dar	Jan 23, 2019
Bahir Dar	Jan 24, 2019	Addis Ababa	Jan 24, 2019
Addis Ababa	Jan 25, 2019	Washington DC (IAD)	Jan 26, 2019

==**Please choose room option below: Single or Double Room**==

Destination	Arrival Dates	Hotels	Single Occupancy Price per person	Double Occupancy Price per person
Addis Ababa	Jan 17, 2019	TBA		
Gondar	Jan 18, 2019	TBA	{$3,300}	{$2,900}
Bahir Dar	Jan 23, 2019	TBA		
Addis Ababa	Jan 24, 2019	TBA		

==**GRAND TOTAL PER OPTION SELECTED**==

Single Occupancy	Flight	Grand Total
Grand Total		

Double Occupancy	Flight	Grand Total
Grand Total		