

Ride the Rift: Jamma Canyon Tour 5-7 May 2023

From US\$ 350 (19,200 ETB for ET residents)

Ride the Rift is a collaborative venture by 3 Ethiopian tour operators (Tesfa Tours, SimienEcoTours, Dynasty Ethiopia Tours) to get people out of the city and enjoying the splendours of the Ethiopian countryside within a few hours drive of Addis.

We have been leading these trips since COVID hit, and just love getting a group of like minded outdoors people together in unknown parts of the country to enjoy daytime activities and a campfire at night. If you have kids who love to be outside we will engage them with walks, sports and fun so that this can be an experience for the whole family (pack the marshmallows!). Our aim is to offer opportunities to experience the beauty of these places while participating in different activities: mountain biking, hiking and running. Where it works we also like to introduce something out of the ordinary.

But there is nothing ordinary about our adventure to the Jamma Canyon. It is situated just to the north of Addis Ababa with waterfalls cascading out of the highlands into the gorges that feed the Jamma river. Itself a tributary of the Nile that has carved hundreds of metres down into the bedrock leaving the largest display of waterfalls we have seen.

We will bike, hike or run through the remarkable landscapes with epic journeys - sometimes flying downhill, other times following the escarpments with the outrageous views, and all the time passing by the traditional farming communities of the highlands. The landscape has been reinvigorated by the rather long 'short' rains this year. We will be camping - camping with a wow of a view - and have our professional team of cooks and camp staff looking after us. Detailed information on day to day itineraries and pricing see below.

Any questions? All details here: https://bit.ly/3BVhTqZ
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DAY	ITINERARY	LOCATION
Fri 05/05	Departure from Addis Ababa in the morning. We suggest everyone to do a half day hiking today, only on this trek you will see the 2 spectacular waterfalls. This will be a hike of 12km walk to reach the campsite. Interested cyclists can ride to a viewpoint on the edge of the escarpment to get the views at sunset, runners and hikers will have similar opportunities. Then return back to the campsite for dinner and campfire. Meals: -/L/D	Lemi cliffside

Sat 06/05	Today the advanced cycling group will cycle to Lemi and head down the new road towards Alem Ketema. We will drop down some 400m in around 9km, before turning off onto a gravel road that more or less follows the contours, giving us an opportunity to ride another 10km out to get great views of the Debre Libanos gorge. Before heading back to the Alem Ketema road to get transport back to camp. There will be different options for hikers including a serious full day hike, but but also much easier walks, rides and children activities for the families. Picnic lunch and snacks, dinner again in the camp. Meals: B/L/D	Lemi cliffside
Sun 07/05	Today the riders will get the option to ride to visit 1 or 2 caves, mostly on the flat with mix of surfaces - packed soil, gravel roads, a bit of asphalt, and some bumpy stretches. Hikers will have similar but shorter options. After lunch bikes and people will be loaded up and we will return to Addis. We will be back in Addis by mid/late afternoon. Meals: B/L/-	-

INCLUSIONS	- 2 camping nights in tents for 2 persons incl. rental tent & mattress; - all transfers and travels with private vehicles; - transport for bikes (from/to Addis & during the rides); - all meals as per itinerary (incl. water, coffee/tea, alcoholic drinks excluded); - refreshments & sandwiches for the rides & other activities; - guides for rides and hiking; - first aid support; - technical support.
EXCLUSIONS	 travel insurance; sleeping bag; fee for horse-riding or other not mentioned activities; alcoholic drinks; tipping; all extras and personal expenditures.
OPTIONAL	- supplement for single tent 20 USD (900 ETB for ET residents); - good quality mountain bikes can be rented for the whole tour for 50 USD (2,500 ETB for ET residents).

PRICE	3-days / 2-nights tour: 350 USD per person (19,200 ETB for ET residents)	
	min. 10 to max. 50 pax	





