

South Route

Ten to fourteen days is a good period of time to spend covering the Rift Valley lakes and South Omo. Allow longer to divert to the Bale Mountains.

Lake Ziway

Spot abundant birdlife from the fishing jetty, or take a boat trip to Tulu Gudo Island to see its ancient monastery.

<u>Lake Langano</u>

The most resort-like of the lakes could be bypassed by hyperactive, time-restrained travellers. Equally, you could chill out here for days.

Abijata-Shala National Park

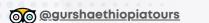
This protected area near Langano warrants a day-trip, both for its aquatic birdlife and the dramatic Rift Valley landscapes.

Hawassa

Southern Ethiopia's largest town is orderly and modern, and blessed with a gorgeous setting on a lake rimmed by monkey-filled forests









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Bale Mountain national park

Allow at least three days for a diversion to the high plateaus and forests of this misty stronghold of the endangered Ethiopian wolf and mountain nyala.

Nechisar National Park

Basing yourself in Arba Minch, explore the best wildlife destination in the Ethiopian Rift Valley.

Karat (Konso)

Visit the Konso Museum and the fortified hilltop village of Mecheke.

South Omo

Continue southwest to this fascinating repository of traditional cultures, basing your itinerary around market.





