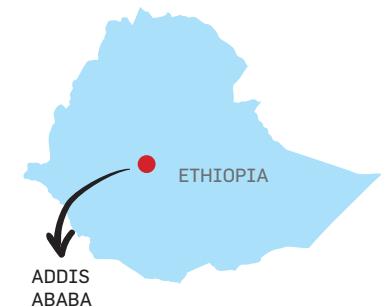




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# ADDIS ABABA

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia's vibrant capital, blends rich history with dynamic culture, acting as the gateway to an ancient and mystical world. Discover ancient treasures at various museums. Explore bustling markets, taste scrumptious local delicacies, and visit the Holy Trinity Cathedral.

## Essentials

**Area:** 527 Sq km  
**Population:** 2,739,551 (as of 2007)

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**Currency:** Ethiopian Birr  
One Saudi Riyal = 0.017 USD

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**Language:** Amharic



# What to see

**National Museum**01  
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Explore Ethiopia's history with artefacts spanning millennia, including the famous fossil "Lucy", a 3.2-million-year-old hominid, and diverse cultural exhibits.

**Lion of Judah Monument**02  
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Visit the symbol of Ethiopia's monarchy. The monument was erected in 1930.

**Entoto Hill**03  
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Enjoy panoramic views of Addis Ababa and visit the historic Entoto Maryam Church, offering insight into Ethiopia's religious heritage.



### Traditional Ethiopian Coffee

Purchase fresh coffee beans or ground coffee at local markets like Shola Market or Tomoca Coffee Shop for authentic Ethiopian coffee experience.



## Where & what to buy

Retail therapy is the best therapy to try-out in Medina



### Handwoven Fabrics

Visit Shiro Meda or Addis Mercato for beautiful handwoven cotton and silk fabrics known as shemma or netela.



### Handicrafts

Explore the shops around Churchill Avenue for intricately crafted Ethiopian souvenirs like wooden carvings, pottery, and traditional jewellery.



### Traditional Musical Instruments

Discover unique musical instruments like the krar (lyre) or masenqo (single-stringed fiddle) at Merkato or local craft shops or a piece of Ethiopia's musical heritage.



## 01

### Nature

Explore Entoto Natural Park for its natural beauty, with dramatic mountains, gurgling streams and waterfalls.



## 02

### Timkat Celebration



Witness the colourful Ethiopian Orthodox Epiphany celebrations in January, featuring processions, singing, and unique rituals at Holy Trinity Cathedral.

## 03

### Try Tej (Ethiopian Honey Wine)

Visit Tej Houses to taste this traditional honey wine served in unique Ethiopian-style cups.



## 04

### Attend a Cultural Night Show



Enjoy a traditional Ethiopian music and dance performance at cultural restaurants, where you can taste local cuisine and immerse yourself in Ethiopian hospitality.



# Where to Dine Out



## Kitfo



Enjoy this minced raw meat dish seasoned with spices at Teshomech Kitfo House or Addis View for a traditional taste.

## Doro Wat



Savour spicy chicken stew with boiled eggs at Kategna or Addis in Dar for a delicious Ethiopian meal.

## Tibs



Indulge in stir-fried meat (beef, lamb, or chicken) at 2000 Habesha or Kategna, served with injera.

## Ethiopian Coffee Ceremony



Experience traditional coffee brewing rituals at Tomoca Coffee or Kaldi's Coffee for the best coffee experience in Addis Ababa.