

A Stopover (STPC) in Addis Ababa, Africa's highest capital city!

Personal experience compiled by



This information is a first-hand account from my Stopover (STPC) in Addis Ababa for 22 hours on 14&15th Dec 2023

Astounding, intriguing & interesting tales about this mesmerising & mysterious country have the ability to leave us mere travellers bound under the spell called Ethiopia!

One may not always have the time to extend a trip by several days, but I would urge those who look at the world a bit differently, to partake in the experience that is Ethiopia, albeit for a few hours between flights! I promise you won't be disappointed!

What is STPC?

Stopover Paid by the Carrier (Airline)

Who is eligible?

• If you have a connection between two Ethiopian Airlines international flights at Addis Ababa International Airport (ADD) scheduled for between 08:00 to 23:59 hours in length on a single ticket, & your transit time exceeds 8 consecutive hours, you are eligible for the complimentary STPC (Stopover Paid by Carrier) package.

Eligible passengers must ensure that when they check-in for their first Ethiopian Airlines flight at the origin of the journey they must collect —

- A voucher for Transfers & stay at the Skylight hotel (*The voucher covers everything, including all meals appropriate for your stay*)
- Boarding Pass for your onward connection

The other essential documents are handed over when you arrive in Addis Ababa-

- Transit visa for Ethiopia- On arrival in Addis Ababa, proceed DIRECTLY to immigration who will process your transit entry on the basis of the voucher.
- Meal coupons appropriate to the time of your stopover stay, are handed over when you check-in at the Skylight Hotel

What happens after immigration & customs?

- As soon as you exit the customs area, there is an Ethiopian Airlines Transport Desk on the left hand side.
- Present your voucher there for a rubber stamp and they will advise you the details of your hotel shuttle.
- There is a waiting area with a few seats (and free WiFi), the wait doesn't exceed 15 minutes.
- There is a separate transfer for Business & Economy Class guests

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- Accommodation to guests traveling in either Business / Economy class can be provided at either of the 2 wings at the Skylight Hotel
- At the hotel there is a separate dining area for Business & Economy Class guests
- The shuttle from the Skylight Hotel to Bole International Airport departs every 15 minutes, when you check-in, you must check with the staff and identify your departure time from the Skylight based of the departure time of your flight.

A Highlight called Skylight!

Ethiopian Skylight Hotel https://www.ethiopianskylighthotel.com

Ethiopian Airlines has a fabulous accommodation option, only 5 minute drive away from the Bole International Airport —

- The Ethiopian Skylight Hotel with 1024 keys, the plush facility spread over 2 wings, has sufficient space to welcome the multitude of guests transiting through Addis Ababa on a daily basis.
- This facility is available for Economy & Business Class guests flying Ethiopian Airlines.
- With exclusive transfers & areas ear-marked for the discerning few traveling by Business class, can also find a quiet comfortable spot for themselves.

What about your luggage?

- Unless otherwise requested, your checked-in luggage will remain at the Bole International Airport Addis Ababa, and you will receive the same only on arrival at your final destination.
- For some reason, if you wish to have your checked-in luggage with you while at The Skylight in Addis you must ensure that this is communicated to the check-in staff where your journey originates. Ensure that it is tagged only up to Addis Ababa. Claim it at Addis & recheck-in when you take your onward connection.
- Alternatively your luggage will be checked-in & tagged to your final destination.
- Don't forget to pack a day / night change appropriate for the timings of your flights & stopover.

What can you do in Addis Ababa on the stopover?

• With this facility, you can step out into the city of Addis Ababa with a prior booked & paid guided city tour through Ethiopian Holidays & get introduced to this beautiful spotlessly clean city!

(2 Stopover programs enclosed herewith – rates mentioned are indicative & subject to change)

I would not give up on an opportunity such as this one to explore a new destination, & neither should you!

Yours Sincerely, Renuka Natu Founder Director Africa with Renuka



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Addis Ababa City Tour

Tailored for Stopover passengers Tour Code: ETHST-03



Overview

Addis Ababa is the booming and fast-growing capital city of Ethiopia with a population of over 7 million people. It is in the foothills of the Entoto mountains, at almost 8,000 ft. (2,300m) asl.

Dubbed the diplomatic capital of Africa, Addis Ababa hosts the Headquarters of the African Union, United Nations Economic Commission of Africa (UNECA) and over 120 embassies.

Throughout the year, Addis Ababa is a vibrant city, reflecting Ethiopia's diversity, open local markets, traditional cuisines, beverages, a unique coffee ceremony and a growing number of tourist attractions making it a must-see destination for any traveler.

A guided tour to

The National Archeological Museum of Ethiopia

Where you will visit the fossil remains of our ancient ancestor Lucy (Dinkinesh) dating back to 3.5million years.

Unity Park:













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It is found inside the Grand Palace compound. The attraction provides you with the chance of experiencing the personal collection of the 19th and 20th centuries Ethiopian Leaders as well as that of the royal family members. Unity Park offers to the visitor the highlights of Ethiopian past political, social and economic history. You have also the chance to see the endemic Abyssinian black mane lion. The renovated compound incorporates several sights of interest to visitors, including an arena, a playground, a zoo three churches, House of Royals and an imperial banquet hall Throne hall.

The Ethnological Museum

Housed in the former palace of Haile Selassie, which is now on the grounds of Addis Ababa University. Here you will visit Anthropology, Ethno-Musicological, Art Gallery, Philatelic and Numismatics Collections.

The Holy Trinity Cathedral

Known as Kidist Selassie in the native language. The Church was built by Emperor Haile Silassie II and it is one of the architecturally decorated, spacious, splendid stained-glass windows and well-designed churches in Ethiopia.

Mount Entoto

Highest peak on the Entoto Mountains Reaching an altitude of 3200 meters above sea level, with the panoramic view of the city Addis Ababa.

You will also get to experience Ethiopian traditional cuisines and the famous aromatic Ethiopian coffee with your lunch.

Package price: in USD

Group size	1	2	3 to 4	5 to 6	7 to 8	9 to 10	11 to 12	13 to 14	Guide in Different Language	Child fare from 5 to12 years
Price per person	217	147	110	99	93	91	90	88	47	50% of adult rate

Package includes:

- English speaking professional guide
- All entrances
- Lunch
- Bottled water
- Coffee

Package excludes:

- Flight tickets
- Premium drinks and other liquor not included in the price inclusive part
- Any other expenses which are not mentioned on price include section













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Come Experience the Coffee Journey

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Overview

Coffee can be traced back to the 10th century and the coffee forests of the Ethiopian plateau. The words Coffee and Café are derived from 'Kaffa' which is the area in the southwest region of Ethiopia where you will find many cultivated coffee farms as well as coffee growing wild in the highland forests. From Africa coffee spread quickly throughout the Middle East then to Europe and throughout the colonial empires of the time including Indonesia and the Americas ... and the rest as they say is history!

Package price: in USD

Group size	1	2	3 to 4	5 to 6	7 to 8	9 to 10	11 to 12	13 to 14	Child fare from 5 to12 years	Guide in Different Language
Price per person	173	107	73	62	57	54	53	52	50% of adult rate	47

Package includes:

• Coffee museum: Learn about the fascinating history of coffee starting from its discovery in Ethiopia to how it travelled to the rest of the world and the interesting facts and stories about coffee indifferent countries. Maximum of 2hours













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- Lunch: will be served at a traditional restaurant where you will taste the different flavours of Ethiopian dish including a traditional coffee ceremony
- Coffee cupping: is a method of tasting coffee. The cupping process begins with assessing the smell of the ground coffee before moving into steeping and then tasting, focusing on independent attributes such as flavour, after state, acidity, and body. Maximum of 2.5hour

Package excludes:

- Flight tickets
- Premium drinks and other liquor not included in the price inclusive part
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