



Memories of Italy and Dahlak Island

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9 days

27 March - 04 April 2027

English speaking guide



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The 'unforgettable' of the trip:

- The **Bilen villages**, with their characteristic round houses of thatch and mud
- The **Monday market** in **Keren**, a meeting place for Tigré Muslim herdsmen
- The **road 'of the Italians'** from Asmara to Massawa, an altitude difference of 2,300 metres in 115 kilometres
- The ancient port of **Massawa**, with its decadent Turkish, Egyptian and Italian buildings
- Meeting the **Rashaida nomads** and **Afar fishermen**
- The **Dahlak Islands archipelago**, crystal-clear waters and colourful fish
- **Asmara**, a UNESCO heritage site, with its elegant Art Deco and Futurist architecture



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A journey to discover an area with a surprising diversity of environments, cultures and traditions. It's an itinerary that winds its way through elegant towns that seem to have been crystallised in the last century, daring ascents and descents, enchanting panoramas, valleys dotted with majestic sycamores and fiery coastal plains, until it reaches the white deserted beaches of the Dahlak Archipelago, an unspoilt natural paradise of colourful coral reefs and vibrant underwater fauna.

We will visit places full of reminiscences of a past that concerns us closely and of which a considerable imprint remains today in the urban and social fabric of the country. The capital, Asmara 'Little Rome', recently declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site thanks to the extraordinary mixture of architectural styles that embellish its public and private buildings. The fascinating Massawa, with its Arab-Moorish imprint, which has paid a high tribute to the ferocity of war but in the past was one of the Red Sea's most important commercial hubs. And cosmopolitan Keren, with its kaleidoscopic weekly markets attracting people from all over the plateau. The villages of the Bilen people, with their characteristic houses made of clay, straw and rough stone, and the camps of the Rashaida, semi-nomadic farmers of Arab origin, who will welcome us under their heavy tents, before setting sail for the islands.

Itinerary

Day 1: Saturday 27 March 2027

Outward flight/Asmara (ASM)

Day 2: Sunday 28 March 2027

Asmara/Dekemhare/Keren

The Valley of the Sycamore Trees and the Bilen villages built of straw and mud.

Day 3: Monday 29 March 2027

Keren

The bustling livestock market in Keren and the 'Madonna of the Baobab'.

Day 4: Tuesday 30 March 2027

Keren/Ghinda/Massawa

The 'Italians' Road', with an elevation gain of 2,300 metres over 115 km, offering breathtaking views and sightings of amadiade baboons.

Day 5: Wednesday 31 March 2027

Massawa/Adulis/Massawa

The Axumite site of Adulis, a meeting with the Rashaida nomads and the ruins of Massawa.

Day 6: Thursday 1 April 2027

Massawa/Dahlak Islands

The idyllic Dahlak archipelago, with its white sandy beaches, seabeds teeming with tropical fish and Afar fishing villages.

Day 7: Friday 2 April 2027

Dahlak Islands/Massawa/Asmara

One last swim in the crystal-clear waters of the Dahlak Islands before heading back up to the highlands.

Day 8: Saturday 3 April 2027

Asmara

The futuristic and Art Deco architecture of 'Little Rome', a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Day 9: Sunday 4 April 2027

Asmara (ASM)/Return flight



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