

Summit to See the END: Simien Mountains Trek

The Simien Mountains, a wild and remote chain of mountains spreading across Northern Ethiopia, are a UNESCO World Heritage Site and home to wildlife found nowhere else in the world.

Join us for a five-day trek through the Simien Mountains, where, accompanied by a world-class guide team, you will pass through the picturesque Imet Gogo to reach Ras Dashen, Ethiopia's highest peak standing over 4,500 meters (over 14,800 feet). Following the trek, you will spend one-two days learning from our partners in Ethiopia about our work to end neglected tropical diseases (NTDs) and seeing the impact of your fundraising efforts firsthand.

Our trips are designed for those who love philanthropy and adventure, who seek to empower others while experiencing a trip of a lifetime. By joining this adventure, you will help raise critical funds for and awareness of the global movement to end NTDs.

ITINERARY : October 11-19, 2019

DAY 1: OCT. 11

Recommended arrival to Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

DAY 2: OCT. 12

Transfer to Gondar, Ethiopia

Welcome dinner with the team

DAY 3: OCT. 13

Hike Day 1

DAY 4: OCT. 14

Hike Day 2

DAY 5: OCT. 15

Hike Day 3

DAY 6: OCT. 16

Hike Day 4

DAY 7: OCT. 17

Hike Day 5

Celebratory dinner with the team

DAY 8: OCT. 18

NTD learning day with local partners

DAY 9: OCT. 19

Additional activities in Addis Ababa

Flights depart Ethiopia in the evening

** Based on flight arrivals and departures, additional nights in hotels can be arranged. Opportunities to add additional personal travel are available.*



THE END FUND

The END Fund is dedicated to controlling and eliminating the most prevalent NTDs that affect over 1.5 billion people globally, including intestinal worms, schistosomiasis, lymphatic filariasis, and blinding trachoma. These preventable, treatable diseases flourish in areas of poor housing with limited access to clean water, sanitation, and healthcare. Causing blindness, disfigurement, anemia, and cognitive impairment, they perpetuate the cycle of poverty.

The good news? NTDs can be controlled and even eliminated. Delivery of donated medicines, once or twice per year, costs about 50 cents per person per year and represents a “best buy” for health and education outcomes.

The END Fund, supported by a growing community of activist philanthropists, manages high-impact strategic investments to provide treatment to over 100 million people annually in collaboration with governments, local and international NGOs, corporations, and research partners.

ETHIOPIA

With a population of over 100 million, Ethiopia bears one of the highest NTD burdens in Africa. Our partnership with Ethiopia has been a prominent example of our systems approach. Working in tandem with local partners since 2013, we have supported the delivery of over 103 million treatments to Ethiopians to treat and prevent these disabling diseases of neglect.



INTEREST

The END Fund, together with local travel partner Abeba Tours, is coordinating and planning the Summit to See the END: Simien Mountains Trek.

Interested in learning more or ready to sign up, please contact **Abbey Turtinen, Associate Director of the END Fund.**

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