Islam as a Religion of Ethiopia

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Ethiopia at the periphery of the Islamic world?
Totius Africae tabula, & descriptio universalis, etiam ultra Ptolemaei limites extensa.
Sub and trans-Saharan trade routes
Sources for the history of Islam Ethiopia

• European traveller's accounts: like the one of Jacopo de Varthema
• Arabic historiographical and geographical treatises, like Yaqūt (d. 1229), al-‘Umarī (d. 1349); al-Maqrīzī (d. 1442)
• Local chronicles, both Christian and Islamic:
  • the Meshafe Milad of Zar‘a Yaqob (d. 1468) for Christians
  • the Futūḥ al-Ḥabaša (16th century) along with the Fatḥ Madīnat Harar (probablt 19th century) for Muslims
Kindoms of Ethiopia 14° century
Relics of the *Mosque of the Two Qiblas*, Zaila, 7th century CE.

Sted og dato
Dias 11
View of one of the doors of the city of Harar.
Lists of the saints of Harar, IES 276, ff. 46v-47r.