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Sincerely yours,
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GEORGIAN TOURISM ASSOCIATION

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Designed by Mrs. Tako Chkhaidze
## Small Group Tour to Georgia

We run small group tours - minimum group size is 2 people. Guaranteed dates are open every second week monthly.

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- Minimum group size - 2 people
## Group Tours 2019-2020

### Guaranteed Departure Dates

### From Tbilisi on Sunday

#### 6 Day Exploration
- **€ 621**

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**THE GROUP IS ‘GUARANTEED TO RUN’ AFTER TWO PEOPLE BOOK THE TOUR.**

Flights SHOULD NOT be booked until you have received your booking confirmation and the trip is showing “Guaranteed to Run”.

The guaranteed tour dates & prices are for the itinerary Joining In Tbilisi (For The Caucasus Pearls & Azerbaijan-Georgia itinerary joining in Baku).

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The exploration route is open for all seasons. Choose the date and join the group in Tbilisi.

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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

**TBILISI CITY**
- Holy Trinity Cathedral
- Georgian National Museum
- Rustaveli Avenue
- Metekhi Church 13th c
- Narikala Fortress 4th c
- Tbilisi Mosque 19th c
- Legutakhevi waterfall
- Sulfur Bathhouse District
- Meidan Square
- Sharden & King Erekle II streets
- Sioni Cathedral 13th c
- Anchiskhati Basilica 7th c

**KARTLI PROVINCE**
- Gori Town
- Museum and House of J. Stalin
- Uplistsikhe Caves 1st millennium B.C

**IMERETI REGION**
- Kutaisi City
- Bagrati Cathedral 11th c
- Gelati Academy 12th c
- Motsameta Monastery 10th c
- Prometheus Karst Caves

**MTSKHETA TOWN**
- Svetitskhoveli Cathedral 11th c
- Jvari Monastery 6th c

**KAKHETI REGION**
- Bodbe Monastery 9th c
- Signagi Town
- Shumi Winery
- Tsinandali
- Telavi Town

**DAY TO DAY ITINERARY**

1 **DAY | Tbilisi City Tour**

Georgian Holidays will organize a pick up from Tbilisi hotel in the morning. ‘Exploration of Georgia’ takes off with Tbilisi City tour on day 1. First, we are going to visit the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi (Sameba). Sameba is one of the tallest Orthodox churches in the world and the tallest in Georgia. It presents a mixture of traditional styles of Georgian church architecture. Afterwards we can head to the Metekhi plateau and visit Metekhi church of 13th c. overlooking Mt’kvar river. Near the church you can spot the monument of King Vakhtang I Gorgasali (trans. as ‘Wolf Head’) who ruled eastern Georgia in 5th c. AD. He is credited with establishing Tbilisi – the capital of Georgia. From Metekhi our tour moves on to Narikala fortress. Narikala is an ancient fortress overlooking Tbilisi from the hill and can be reached by a cable car from the old city.

From Narikala we come back to the old city and visit Tbilisi Mosque, the only surviving mosque dating back to 18th c.
After breakfast at the hotel we start driving to the west while passing through the Kartli region. We will visit the museum of Joseph Stalin, located in Gori town, where Stalin was born. The museum was first established in the 1950s and consists of the memorial house with collection of Stalin's personal belongings.

From Gori we drive to the ancient Uplistsikhe cave town. Uplistsikhe is one of the oldest rock-hewn urban settlements in Georgia dated back to the 1st millennium BC.

Our next stop is at Kutaisi where we will visit Bagrati Cathedral - a masterpiece of medieval Georgian church architecture. The cathedral was built in the 11th c. and it was named after the King Bagrat III, who was the first King of unified Georgia. Bagrati Cathedral was renovated in 2012.

After breakfast we will explore Kutaisi city and its surroundings. First we are going to visit Gelati Academy and Monastery of 12th c., built during the reign of King David IV, also known as David the Builder. Reigning during the Georgian Golden Age, David IV was one of the most prominent rulers of Georgian history, while Gelati was a cultural and intellectual center for a long time and preserved lots of murals and manuscripts from 12th-17th cc.

From Gelati we drive to Motsameta monastery ("the monastery of martyrs") constructed on the execution place of Georgian Christian martyrs. The monastery dates back to the 13th c. and was rebuilt in the 19th c. After Motsameta we will visit Prometheus cave. Prometheus cave is one of the biggest natural caves in Georgia, discovered in 1984. Cave has a 12 km long underground trail open for tourists. The tour is accompanied with light enhancements and classical music. We will get back to Kutaisi and visit the farmer’s bazaar, where locals sell fresh fruit and vegetables and famous local cheese. An evening walk in Kutaisi city center.

After breakfast we head towards the East Georgia. On our way to Tbilisi we make a stop at Mtskheta – one of the ancient Georgian cities, which served as the capital of Eastern Georgia up to the 5th c. until the court moved to Tbilisi. Mtskheta is a popular tourist destination two of its major sites that belong to the UNESCO World Heritage list - Svetitskhoveli Cathedral of 12th c. and Jvari monastery of 6th c. These monuments represent two different styles of Georgian church architecture.

In the evening we arrive in Tbilisi for overnight.

After breakfast at the hotel we will drive to Kakheti – region that is known for its wine-making traditions. Our trip starts with visiting Bodbe Nunnery of 9th c. – a functioning nunnery and a place where relics of St. Nino are preserved. St. Nino was a female apostle who preached Christianity in Georgia, which eventually resulted in conversion of pagan Kingdom of Kartli in the 4th c. AD.

From Bodbe we arrive in Signagi - a small town, surrounded with 18th c. defensive structures. After a walk in Sighnaghi we continue our exploration of Kakheti province. We drive to Tsinandali and visit the house and museum of 18th century Georgian aristocrat, poet, and statesman, Prince Iakoba Kvelatschvili. In 1813 he was the first Georgian to study at the École Normale in Paris. He later returned to Georgia and played a key role in the 'Georgian National Revival' of the 19th century.

Our tour continues to Legutakhevi (Fig ravine), as we will visit waterfall nearby and take a walk towards Sulfur bathhouse district – one of the oldest districts in Tbilisi. Some of the baths on the natural hot water springs were built in the 17th-19th cc. From bathhouse district we will take a walk on modern Kartlis Deda, Shardeni and Erekle II streets. Lots of cafes, bars and pubs, souvenirs, shops and art galleries are located here. Sioni cathedral, the former seat of patriarchy, also stands here. The cathedral was first established in the 6th-7th c., but was destroyed and rebuilt several times throughout the centuries. The present cathedral dates back to the 13th c. Tbilisi City tour continue to the Anchiskhati basilica, which is the oldest church in Tbilisi dating from the 6th c.
and general Alexander Chauchavadze. We will visit Chauchavadze’s residence, garden and wine cellar located in the museum, where visitors can taste famous Tsinandali wine. From Tsinandali our trip continues to Shumi winery, located just a few minutes from Tsinandali museum. Here, we can pay a visit to the wine museum located in the winery and taste the local wines with light snacks. In the evening we drive back to Tbilisi.

6 DAY | Tbilisi
Breakfast at the hotel. Check out until 12:00.

€ 621

PRICE INCLUDES:

TRANSPORT:
- Air conditioned comfortable car all days

STAFF:
- English speaking Guide & Driver service all days

CATERING:
- 5 x Breakfasts

3* ACCOMMODATION IN DOUBLE/TWIN ROOMS:
- 3 x overnights in Tbilisi
- 2 x overnights in Kutaisi

ENTERTAINMENT AND OTHER:
- 1 x wine tasting in Shumi winery on day 5
- 1 x glass of wine in Tsinandali museum on day 5
- 1 bottle mineral water per person per day
- Excursions and entrance fees per program
- All taxes

6 DAY TOUR STARTS EVERY SECOND SUNDAY JOIN IN TBILISI

The deposit for this tour is: 200 €

ADDITIONAL PRICING INFORMATION:
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• Gonio Fortress 1st c
• Batumi Old & New Boulevards
• Batumi Botanical Garden

SAMEGRELO REGION
• Zugdidi Town
• Dadiani Palace 19th c

SVANETI REGION
• Mestia Town
• Ushguli Village & Svan Towers
• Svaneti Museum

1 DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Tbilisi City Tour
In the morning we organize pick up service for the group to start a full day Tbilisi sightseeing tour. Tour take off at 10.00 am. First, we visit one of the tallest Orthodox churches in the world – the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi (Sameba). City tour continues to the Metekhi church of 13th c, which stands on a plateau overlooking the river Mtkvari and old Tbilisi downtown. From here, we go up to the Narikala fortress by the aerial cable car connecting Europe Square and the top of the hill where the fortress stands. Built in the 4th c, Narikala served as a main fortification of Tbilisi through the centuries and has been sieged numerous times.

From Narikala we take the downhill stroll to the old city, follow the Botanical Street, visit Tbilisi Mosque, Legutakhevi (the Fig Ravine) and visit the natural waterfall in the downtown. From Legutakhevi we continue to the Bathhouse Square where the historical Sulfur Bathhouses of the old Tbilisi are. Passing along the Maidan Square, Shardeni and The King Erekle II streets with souvenier shops and art galleries, Tbilisi city tour proceeds to the Sioni cathedral, dating back to the 13th century and Anchishkhavi basilica – the oldest surviving church in Tbilisi (dates back to the 6th c AD).

We also will visit the Golden Treasury of Georgian National Museum. The collection features gold and silver artifacts from the pre-Christian period from different parts of modern-day Georgia.

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After visiting the Georgian National Museum, we take a walk on Rustaveli Avenue towards the building of Parliament of Georgia, Rustaveli Drama theater, National Museum of Contemporary Arts, Tbilisi Opera and Ballet State Theater, Prospero’s book store, shopping center and the First Republic Square. In the evening we return back to the hotel.

2 DAY | Tbilisi–Gori–Uplistsikhe–Kutaisi

After breakfast at the hotel drive to the West through Gori, the heart of Kartli region and visit the museum of Joseph Stalin. Museum consists of Stalin’s memorial house, exposition building and Stalin’s personal belongings, including personal coat with interior (he used to travel to Tehran, Yalta and Potsdam).

From Stalin Museum we drive to the ancient cave complex of Uplistsikhe that is 14 km away from Gori. Cut in limestone rocks, Uplistsikhe is one of the oldest urban settlements in Georgia, which dates back to the Early Iron Age. The archaeological artifacts discovered here date as early as Early Iron Ages. Most of the items found in Uplistsikhe are parts of the collections of Georgian National Museum. It is also possible to visit a small museum nearby and watch 8-minute movie about Uplistsikhe.

Our trip continues to the western part of Georgia – Imereti region. In the evening we arrive at the second largest city in Georgia – Kutaisi, where we pay a visit to the Bagrati Cathedral. Built in 11th c., Bagrati Cathedral is among the UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

3 DAY | Kutaisi – Sataplia – Martuili – Mestia

After breakfast we drive to Sataplia caves and natural reserve. The sight is famous for its well-preserved fossilized dinosaur footprints. The cave is 900 meters long and is enhanced with light and audio effects.

Next visit Martuili Canyons, sight of local waterfalls. Take a boat trip in the river Abasha and observe the surrounding area.

From Martuili we continue our trip to the north, and arrive at Mestia – the heart of Svaneti region – located at an elevation of 1500 meters. Svaneti is unique for its geography and landscapes, as well as authentic and well-preserved culture and architecture. Local Svan towers are good examples of local architecture, which were used for defensive as well as dwelling purposes. Some of them date back as early as 9th c.

Dinner and overnight in Mestia.

4 DAY | Mestia–Ushguli–Mestia

After a breakfast in Mestia we start an off-road adventure to the most remote and isolated community Ushguli with 4x4WD vehicles. Ushguli is comprised of 4 villages, and has been included in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites list. It is one of the highest settlements in the entire Europe (2200m above sea level). On our way to Upper Svaneti we will make couple of stops at Ipari and Kala villages, and take a look at small Svan churches with well-preserved medieval frescos.

5 DAY | Mestia–Zugdidi–Batumi

After breakfast we will head to Margiani museum – a Suan tower. Margiani Museum shows how Suans were living in the medieval times.

From Svaneti we arrive in Zugdidi – the administrative center of Samegrelo region and former capital of principality of Mingrelia. In Zugdidi we will visit Dadiani Memorial House, exposition building and Stalin’s personal museum of Joseph Stalin. Museum consists of Stalin’s home place, residence and Stalin’s personal belongings.

From Zugdidi we will drive to Adjara region – its capital city and port Batumi. In the evening we can take a walk on city’s boulevards.

6 DAY | Batumi–Kutaisi

After breakfast we will visit well-preserved ancient Roman fortification of Gonio located in about 10 km from Batumi. Gonio Fortress functioned as a fortified Roman city within the historical region of Colchis.

Next stop will be in the Batumi Botanical Garden with panoramic views over the Black Sea shores and numerous indigenous plants. The garden was founded during the Russian Empire and was later expanded under the Soviet leadership. Nowadays it occupies 108 ha and has over 2000 taxonomic units of ligneous plants from all over the world.

From the Batumi we will head to Kutaisi to visit Gelati Academy, which was built during the reign of the King David IV of Georgia (David the Builder) in the 12th c. In middle ages, Gelati Monastery was one of the major cultural and intellectual centers in Georgia.

In the evening we can take a walk through Kutaisi city center.

7 DAY | Kutaisi–Mtskheta–Tbilisi

After breakfast at the hotel we drive back to Tbilisi. We will visit Mtskheta town on the way. Mtskheta is famous for its UNESCO World Heritage Sites – Svetitskhoveli Cathedral and Jvari Monastery. Svetitskhoveli Cathedral was built in 11th c. and is associated with various legends from early Christian times. On the other hand, Jvari Monastery, which stands on the hill overlooking the confluence of the rivers Mtkvari and Aragvi, was constructed during 6th c.

From Mtskheta sightseeing tour we arrive back in Tbilisi to have a free evening for leisure.

Overnight at Tbilisi hotel.

*You can book farewell dinner with Georgian folk show for additional cost (optional).

Note: In case you want to travel longer, please see the extensions or contact us at trips@georgianholidays.com.

Those taking extension trips to Georgia will start their tour next morning after breakfast.

8 DAY | Tbilisi

Breakfast at the hotel. Check out time until 12.00 pm. End of service.
† Price includes:
- Air conditioned comfortable vehicle all days
- 4x4WD jeep in Mestia on day 4
- English speaking professional tour guide and driver

3* Accommodation in Double/Twin rooms:
- 2 x nights in Tbilisi
- 2 x nights in Kutaisi
- 2 x nights in Mestia
- 1 x night in Batumi

Meals:
- 7 x Breakfasts on days: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.
- 2 x Dinners on days: 3, 4

More:
- Excursions and all entrance fees
- 1 x bottle of mineral water per person per day

The deposit for this tour is: 200 €

Additional Pricing Information:
Single room supplement is 101 €

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SVANETI HIGHLANDS | 4 DAYS
Small group tour to Georgia

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The exploration route is open from April to October. Choose the date and join us in Tbilisi.

4-day guaranteed group tour ‘Svaneti Highlands’ takes you to Svaneti – one of the most remote and mountainous regions of Georgia. On this trip, participants can explore the mixture of local medieval cultural heritage of Svaneti and Samegrelo regions, and the landscapes of the Greater Caucasus mountains. Main highlights of the 4-day tour include Dadiani Palace in Zugdidi, different museums of Mestia, main historical and architectural monuments of Svaneti, one of the highest inhabited villages in entire Europe and trekking in Chalaadi glacier. The group is

MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

SAMEGRELO REGION:
- Nokalakei archaeological site
- Zugdidi city
- Dadiani Palace
- Enguri Dam

SVANETI:
- Mestia
- Village Ushguli
- Upper Svaneti villages Latali, Lenjeri, Ipari & Kala
- Medieval defensive Svan towers
- Walk to the foothills of Shkhara
- Trekking to Chalaadi glacier
- Svaneti Museum
- Margiani tower-museum 12th c.

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DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Tbilisi – Nokalakei – Mestia
Georgian Holidays will organize a pick up from Tbilisi. From there, tour departs to Svaneti. On our way we will make couple of stops at the Rikoti Pass, at Nokalakei to visit archaeological museum-reserve, and near Enguri Dam. In the evening we arrive to Mestia, stay at the local guesthouse and enjoy homemade dinner.

2 DAY | Mestia-Chalaadi-Mestia
On day 2 our tour departs from the center of Mestia. Chalaadi trail begins after crossing a small hanging bridge on the river of Mestiachala. After we reach the run of an old hut, the trail continues through various types of landscapes – the birch forest and rocky valley covered with stones of different shapes. Mount Chatini is clearly visible from this valley, while on its south face the Chalaadi glacier takes shape. We continue towards the Chatini mountain and finally at 1920m above the sea level we reach Chalaadi glacier. In a few words, the trail is quite an easy walk with many views of the high mountains and snowy peaks of the Greater Caucasus range. From Chalaadi we walk back to Mestia.
3 DAY | Mestia and surroundings

After breakfast at the guesthouse we will start Mestia and its surrounding tour. We will head to the tower-museum of Margiani (12th c.) to see how the locals were living in medieval times. We will also pay a visit to mineral sparkling spring, Seti square, and the Svaneti Museum of History and Ethnography of Mestia. The museum’s collection includes ethnographic and archaeological materials, old Georgian manuscripts, Georgian Orthodox icons painted in the Svan style etc.

Mestia is an administrative center of Svaneti region, located on the elevation of 1500m, and surrounded by the three major summits: Ushba North Summit (4690 m), Ushba South Summit (4710 m) & Tetnuldi (4858 m). Villages around Mestia – Latali, Lenjeri and Mulakhi, keep traditional lifestyle. There are 78 medieval churches and defensive towers decorated with medieval frescos in Mestia and its surrounding villages.

4 DAY | Mestia – Zugdidi – Tbilisi

After breakfast at the guesthouse we will drive back to Tbilisi. On our way we will stop at Zugdidi – administrative center of Samegrelo region – to see Dadiani Palaces and its Historical and Architectural Museum, building that once served as the residence of Mingrelian Kings and Queens. We can also pay a visit to Zugdidi farmer’s market, where local fruit, vegetables, homemade cheese (Sulguni) and sweets are sold. Evening arrival in Tbilisi.

End of service.

€ 462 | PRICE INCLUDES:

- Transport
- Professional guide service
- 3 overnights in Mestia family guesthouse
- All meals: 3 breakfast, 3 dinners
- 1 bottle mineral water per person per day
- Excursions and Entrance fees
- All local taxes

The deposit for this tour is: 200 €

ADDITIONAL PRICING INFORMATION:
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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

AZERBAIJAN

BAKU
• Panorama of the City & Baku Bay from Mountain park
• The medieval sight of the Old City 11-19 cc.
• Karuansaray Complex 14-15 cc.
• Old bath, narrow small streets, Art Shops & Handicraft Workshop
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• Giz Galasi Maiden Tower
• Gobustan NP of rock painting

SHEKI
• Dir-Baba Mausoleum
• Sheki Fortress
• Sheki Khan Palace
• Karuansaray
• Alban Church in Kish Village.

GEORGIA

TBILISI CITY
• Holy Trinity Cathedral

SAMTSKHE REGION
• Borjomi Spa-Resort
• Borjomi- NP
• Akhaltsikhe Town
• Rabat Castle 14-18th cc

ARMENIA
• Gyumri town
• Echmiadzin
• Zvartnoc
• Yerevan city
• Matenadaran museum
• History museum
• Geghard Monastery
• Garni Pagan Temple
• Khor Virap Monastery
• Armenian Wine Village Areni
• Noravank monastery
• Lake Sevan
• Dilijan town & Sharamberyan Str
• Sanahin Monastery

KARTLI REGION
• Borjomi Spa-Resort
• Borjomi- NP
• Akhaltsikhe Town
• Rabat Castle 14-18th cc

KHEVI
• Ananuri Castle 16-17th c
• Gudauri Ski-Resort 2119m

KAKHETI PROVINCE
• Signagi town & museum
• Tsinandali
• Shumi
• Telavi town
• Batoni Tsikhe Museum

KHEVI
• Ananuri Castle 16-17th c
• Gudauri Ski-Resort 2119m
• Stephantsminda Town, Kazbegi
• Gergeti Holy Trinity Church 14th c

DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Baku

In the morning Georgian Holidays will organize a pick up from the hotel and our tour will start at 10:00 AM with Baku sightseeing. First, we will visit Mountain Park with panoramic views on the city and Baku Bay. After taking a walk in the alley we drive to the old city to visit several interesting sites: Palace of the Shirvanshahs (15th c.), medieval caravanserais and bathhouse, old mosques, art shops, and finally – Maiden tower, 12th century monument that is listed under the UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Overnight in Baku.
After breakfast at the hotel, we drive to the north-west – town of Sheki. We are going to make a few stops along the way to visit two interesting historical monuments: 15th century mausoleum of Sheikh Diri-Baba in Gobustan town, and 8th century Juma Mosque in Shamakhi town. In the evening, we get to Sheki. In the evening we are going to make a short Sheki city tour to sightsee Sheki fortress, Palace of Shaki Khans, old caravanserai and mosque.

After breakfast we drive to Kish – a village located 5 km from Sheki – to sightsee the main attraction of the village – the Church of Kish. Church has an extraordinary history as its existing building is estimated to be built in the 12th century on much older pagan cultic site, and belonged to Caucasian Albanian, Georgian and Armenian churches in different times through history.

On day 3 our Azerbaijan tour ends as from Kish we drive to Georgia-Azerbaijan border near Lagodekhi. Tour guide will assist the group with border procedures. On the border we change the transport and from now on local Georgian guide will lead the tour. From Lagodekhi we drive to Sighnaghi – a town in a traditional wine-making Kakheti region in the east Georgia. Surrounded by medieval curtain walls, Sighnaghi is located on Gombori mountain range, overlooking Alazani river valley. We are going to sightsee Sighnaghi Museum and its rich collections, such as the ethnographic and archaelogical exhibitions, and collections of the works of prominent Georgian painter Niko Pirosmani. Afterwards we can take a walk in Sighnaghi.

After breakfast we leave Sighnaghi and drive to the village of Tsinandali. In Tsinandali we are going to pay a visit Aleksandre Chavchavadze House Museum. Aleksandre Chavchavadze was a famous 18th century Georgian aristocrat, military figure and poet, whose residence, garden and wine-cellar functions as a museum and attracts lots of visitors nowadays. From Tsinandali we drive to Shumi to take a look on Shumi winery and wine museum “Vazioni”. Visitors can taste local wine and snacks.

Our next stop is Telavi – major town of Kakheti region. In Telavi we can visit medieval fortress that served as a residence of the Kings of Kakheti – Batonistskhe. We make a short Telavi tour and afterwards depart for Tbilisi through the Gombori pass (1620 m).

After breakfast at the hotel we drive to the north to Mtskheta – historical capital of Georgia. Mtskheta, located at the confluence of the two rivers of Mt’kvari and Araqui, is famous for its two UNESCO World Heritage Sites – Jvari Monastery (6th century) and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral (11th century). After Mtskheta sightseeing tour and our visit to the handicrafts, souvenir shops and wine cellars located in the center of the town, we continue our way to the north and drive through Georgian Military Highway towards the mountainous Khevi province. On our way to Gudauri ski-resort we make a stop at Zhinvali reservoir and visit Ananuri Architectural Complex. Ananuri once served as a fortress and residence of local feudal lords – Enstaui of Araqui.

In the evening we arrive at Gudauri (2196 m), Kazbegi Municipality.

On day 7 after breakfast we leave for Kazbegi town from Gudauri. On our way at the Cross Pass (2379 m), we make a stop at the red travertine hill and taste local mineral water. After our arrival in Kazbegi we set off for Mount Gergeti trek. Mount Gergeti is famous for its Holy Trinity Church – built in 14th century, church is overlooking Kazbegi town while standing under the Kazbegi peak (5033 m) and glacier. After our trek to Mount Gergeti is finished we come back to Kazbegi town and leave for Tbilisi.
8 DAY | Tbilisi-Gori-Borjomi-Akhaltsikhe
After breakfast we depart for Samtskhe-Javakheti region. On our way we drive through Kartli province, where our first stop is at Gori town. In Gori we are going to visit the museum of Joseph Stalin, which consists of Stalin’s memorial house, exposition building, and his room with various personal belongings. From Gori we get to Uplistsikhe cave complex – another well-known site near Gori. Uplistsikhe represents ancient cave complex and one of the oldest urban settlements in Georgia, dating back to the 1st millennium BC. It is also possible to visit a small museum nearby and watch an 8-minute movie about Uplistsikhe. Our next stop is at Borjomi – a spa-resort located in Mtkvari river. Borjomi is famous for its mineral water. Borjomi: After a walk around town and Borjomi Central Park, we depart for Akhaltsikhe and arrive there in the evening.

9 DAY | Akhaltsikhe-Vardzia-Armenia-Gyumri
After breakfast we start our journey to historical Samtskhe region and its administrative centre – Akhaltsikhe (translated as “new castle”) town. We are going to visit the most remarkable site of Akhaltsikhe – Rabati Castle, a medieval fortification complex. During Rabati excursion we are going to take a look at the fortress, museum, 14th century Jakeli Castle, fortress church and the St. Marine church. From Akhaltsikhe, we get to Vardzia. Built during the Georgian Golden Age in the 12th-13th cc., Vardzia is another well-known rock-hewn cave monastery, located on the slopes of Erusheti mountains in Samtskhe region. In the evening we drive back to Akhaltsikhe.

10 DAY | Gyumri-Ejmiatsin-Zvartnoc-Yerevan
On day 10 we start our trip to Armenia. After breakfast we drive towards Baura Border Crossing Point. On our way we make a short stop at Khertvisi fortress – a medieval fortification erected in the Mtkvari river ravine. We will change vehicle and guided by the local expert will continue tour in Armenia. First, we head to Gyumri – the second largest city of Armenia and have a short city tour there.

11 DAY | Yerevan-Garni-Geghard-Yerevan
After breakfast we take a walk in the historical center of Gyumri. Gyumri has lots of buildings from 19th century when the city was named as Alexandropol under the rule of Russian Empire.

After Gyumri city tour we continue our journey to Vagharshapat town to visit two important Armenian monuments - Etchmiadzin Cathedral, built in the 4th century, and 7th century Zvartnots Cathedral. Etchmiadzin Cathedral represents a center and symbol of Armenian Apostolic Church.

From Vagharshapat we head to the capital of Armenia – Yerevan. In the evening we pay a visit to Mesrop Mashtots Institute of Ancient Manuscripts, known as Matenadaran museum, and take a look at its rich collection of medieval manuscripts and books.

12 DAY | Yerevan-Khor Virap-Areni-Noravank
On day 8 after breakfast we begin our excursion of Yerevan city and its surroundings. First, we will visit Yerevan History Museum in the center of the city. Museum has a rich collection of different artifacts that represent local culture and history from ancient to present times.

From Yerevan we set off to see the Temple of Garni and Geghard monastery (founded in the 4th c.). The Temple of Garni is an ancient pagan temple with Greco-Roman colonnaded architectural style. Destroyed by the earthquake in the 17th century, this pre-Christian temple was rebuilt in the 20th century during the Soviet times. From Garni we can take a walk along the canyon of Azat river and get to Geghard, which is located close from the Temple of Garni. Geghard monastery is listed among the UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Finally, we drive back to Yerevan.

13 DAY | Yerevan-Sevan-Sanahin-Tbilisi
On day 13 after breakfast at the hotel we take a trip to Khor Virap Monastery in Ararat Province. Khor Virap is one of the most visited pilgrimage sites in Armenia due to the local beliefs, according to which St. Gregory the Illuminator, who is credited with converting Armenia to Christianity, was imprisoned in this place for 13 years by the Armenian King. Visitors can also observe view on the Mount Ararat – national symbol of Armenia, from the monastery.

From Khor Virap we continue our way to southeast direction and get to the wine village of Areni, located in Vayots Dzor Province and famous for its red wine. We can visit the wine factory and taste local Armenian wine. From Areni we drive to Noravank monastery, established in the 13th c. Noravank is situated in a narrow gorge of Amaghu river, near the town of Yeghegnadzor.

14 DAY | Tbilisi
After breakfast we drive to one of the world’s largest alpine lakes – Sevan (1900 m). From Lake Sevan we continue our way to the north and arrive in the administrative center of Tavush Province – Dilijan town. On Dilijan city tour we are going to visit Sharambeyan street full of workshops, handicraft shops, souvenir stores and traditional buildings.

From the center of Tavush Province, we move to Lori region and visit medieval Sanahin monastery (built in 10th c.), which is another site among the UNESCO World Heritage list from Armenia. Sanahin monastery was founded by the Bagratid royal family in the 10th century and consists of several churches and chapels. From Sanahin we get to Haghpats monastery located nearby. From Haghpats we drive to Georgia-Armenia border from Sadakhlo border crossing point we continue our way to Tbilisi led by Georgian driver.

Meeting with Georgian Holidays staff at 18.00.

15 DAY | Tbilisi
Breakfast at the hotel. Check out time until 12.00 pm.
PRICE INCLUDES:

TRANSPORTATION:
- 1x transfer from Lagodekhi border day 3
- 1x transfer to Baura border day 10
- Transportation service all days
- 1x local jeep in Kazbegi day 7

STAFF:
- English speaking Guide & Driver service all days

14 OVERNIGHTS IN DOUBLE/TWIN ROOMS 3* HOTELS:
- 1 x overnight in Baku
- 1 x overnight in Sheki
- 1 x overnight in Sighnaghi
- 4 x overnights in Tbilisi
- 1 x overnight in Gudauri
- 2 x overnight in Akhaltsikhe
- 1 x overnight in Gyumri
- 3 x overnights in Yerevan

MEALS:
- 14x breakfasts
- 1 x dinner on day 6

ENTERTAINMENT AND OTHER:
- 1 x wine tasting in Shumi winery on day 4
- 1 x glass of wine in Tsinandali museum on day 4
- 1 x wine tasting in the village Areni on day 12
- Entrance fees per program.
- 1 bottle of mineral water per person per day

The deposit for this tour is 300 €

ADDITIONAL PRICING INFORMATION:
- Single room supplement is 279 €

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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

GEORGIA

TBILISI CITY
• Holy Trinity Cathedral
• Narikala fortress & Mosque
• Legutakhevi waterfall
• Sulfur bathhouse district
• Sharden & King Erekle II street
• Sioni & Anchiskhati basilica

KARTLI PROVINCE
• Gori J. Stalin Museum
• Uplistsikhe caves

MTSKHETA CITY
• Svetitskhoveli of 12th c
• Jvari Monastery of 6th c

KHEVI PROVINCE
• Ananuri Castle 16-17th c
• Gudauri Ski-Resort 2196m
• Stepantsminda Town, Kazbegi
• Gergeti Holy Trinity Church 14th c

SAMTSKHE REGION
• Borjomi Spa-Resort
• Borjomi-Kharagauli NP
• Akhaltsikhe Town
• Rabat Castle 14-18th c
• Vardzia Caves 12th c

ARMENIA
• Gyumri town
• Echmiadzin
• Zuartnoc
• Yerevan city
• Matenadaran museum
• History museum
• Geghard Monastery
• Garni Pagan Temple
• Khor Virap Monastery
• Armenian Wine Village Areni
• Noravank monastery
• Lake Sevan
• Dilijan town & Sharamberyan Str
• Sanahin Monastery
• Haghpat Monastery

DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Tbilisi City Tour
11-day Georgia-Armenia tour takes off in Tbilisi. On day 1 we will have Tbilisi city tour. Throughout this tour we will visit one of the tallest Orthodox church in the world the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi, Metekhi Plateau and the 5th century church, old Narikala Fortress on the hill overlooking the city, narrow streets of the old
On day 2 after breakfast we move 20 km north from Tbilisi to the capital of early Georgian kingdoms – Mtskheta – to sightsee two UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Jvari Monastery (6th c.) and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral (11th c.), both of which represent authentic styles of Georgian church architecture. From Mtskheta, we continue our way to the north and by the Georgian Military Highway get to the Zhinvali reservoir to visit Ananuri architectural complex. Ananuri was a residence of local feudals in middle ages. Fortification and the two churches inside the curtain walls are well-preserved. From Ananuri we continue our way north towards the Greater Caucasus mountains and arrive at Gudauri ski-resort.

On day 3 tour explores Caucasus mountains. We begin our journey by driving north and arriving in Kazbegi town through the Cross Pass (2395 m). On our way to Kazbegi we can make couple of stops to observe waterfalls and snowy peaks of the Caucasus mountains, and taste mineral waters. Kazbegi is an administrative of Khevi province. From Kazbegi we drive up to the top of Gergeti Mountain and visit Gergeti Trinity church (14th c.) which is located at an elevation of 2170 m under the Kazbegi peak (5047 m), overlooking Kazbegi town from the top of the mountain.

In the evening return to Kazbegi and drive back to Tbilisi.

On day 4 we start our excursion at Rabati Castle of Akhaltsikhe. Established in the 9th century and later rebuilt during the Ottoman Empire, Rabati is a fortress that has a small “city” – church, mosque, park, various shops and hotels – inside its walls.

From Rabati we drive to Vardzia – a functioning rock-hewn cave monastery founded in the 12th-13th c. A well-fortified monastery, Vardzia became an important political, cultural and educational center of Georgia in middle ages.

From Vardzia we return back to Akhaltsikhe.

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From Vardzia we return back to Akhaltsikhe.

After breakfast at the hotel we drive to the border of Georgia and Armenia. On our way we make a short stop at the ancient Khertvisi fortress in Mtkvari river ravine.

After our arrival at Bavra Border Crossing Point, our group will change transport and guided by the local expert will continue its trip in Armenia. We drive to Gyumri – the second largest city of Armenia and have a short city tour there.

On day 7 after breakfast at the hotel we drive to the border of Georgia and Armenia. On our way we make a short stop at the ancient Khertvisi fortress in Mtkvari river ravine.

After breakfast we take a walk in the historical center of Gyumri. Historic district of Gyumri has many buildings from 19th century when the city was called Alexandropol and was under the rule of Russian Empire.

After Gyumri sightseeing tour we drive for the city of Vagharshapat to visit two well-known Armenian cathedrals – Etchmiadzin, built in the 4th century, and 7th century Zvartnots. Etchmiadzin Cathedral is a center of Armenian Apostolic Church and is considered as one of the oldest cathedrals in the world.

From Vagharshapat we head to the capital of Armenia – Yerevan. In the evening we visit Mesrop Mashtots Institute of Ancient Manuscripts, commonly referred as Matenadaran, and take a look at the rich collection of medieval manuscripts and books of its museum.

On day 8 after breakfast we start our excursion inside and around the Yerevan city. First we visit the History Museum situated in the center of the city. Yerevan History Museum has a rich collection that represents local culture and history from ancient to present times.

Afterwards, we drive to see the Temple of Garni – Greco-Roman colonnaded pagan temple from pre-Christian period. Destroyed by the earthquake in the 17th century, temple was reconstructed during the Soviet Union.

From Garni our trip continues to Geghard monastery.
After breakfast at the hotel we depart to the south part of Armenia. Our first stop is at Khor Virap monastery in Ararat Province. According to local belief St. Gregory the Illuminator was imprisoned here for about 13 years, after he introduced Christianity to Armenia. From monastery visitors can observe view on the Mount Ararat – national symbol of Armenia.

From Ararat Province we continue our way to the south-east and arrive at the Armenian wine village Areni, Vayots Dzor Province. Village is known for its red wine-making tradition. We can visit wine factory in Areni and have wine degustation. From Areni we leave for Noravank – a monastery established in the 13th c. in the narrow gorge of Amaghu river.

In the evening we return to Yerevan.

On day 10 after breakfast we head to Lake Sevan, one of the world’s largest freshwater high-altitude lakes (1900 m above sea level). From Sevan we drive to the north and arrive in Dilijan – administrative center of Tavush Province. On city tour we visit Sharambeyan street in the old town full its artistic workshops and souvenir stores.

From Dilijan we continue our way to Lori Province and get to the medieval Sanahin monastery (built in 10th c.) – one of the UNESCO World Heritage sites. From Sanahin we drive to the last site of our Armenian tour – Haghpat monastery, founded in the 10th century by the Bagratid royal family. From Haghpat we get to the Georgia-Armenia border at Sadakhlo village and led by the Georgian driver transfer to Tbilisi.

**11 DaY TOUR STARTS EVERY SECOND SATURDAY JOIN IN TBILISI**

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The deposit for this tour is: 200 €

**€ 1501 **

**PRICE INCLUDES:**

**TRANSPORTATION:**
- 1 x transfer to Baura border day 6
- 1 x transfer from Sadakhlo border on day day 10
- Vehicle service all days except day 11
- 1 x local jeep in Kazbegi on day 3

**STAFF:**
- English speaking Guide & Driver service all days

**10 OVERNIGHTS IN DOUBLE/TWIN ROOMS 3* HOTELS:**
- 3 x overnights in Tbilisi
- 1 x overnight in Gudauri
- 2 x overnight in Akhaltsikhe
- 1 x overnight in Gyumri
- 3 x overnights in Yerevan

**MEALS:**
- 10 x breakfasts
- 1 x dinner on day 2

**ENTERTAINMENT AND OTHER:**
- Entrance fees per program
- 1 bottle of mineral water per person per day
- 1 x wine tasting in the village Areni on day 9
- All taxes

| (founded in the 4th century) near Yerevan, which is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and take a walk along the canyon where the complex is located. From Geghard we drive back to Yerevan.

**9 DAY | Khor Virap–Areni–Noravank – Yerevan**

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In the evening we return to Yerevan.
VISIT GEORGIA | 7 DAYS
Small group tour to Georgia

STARTS FROM TBILISI EVERY SECOND SATURDAY
The dates are open from April to October. Choose the date and join the group in Tbilisi.

7-day guaranteed tour ’Visit Georgia’ travels through different landscapes and historico-cultural sites of Georgia, including the old town of Tbilisi, Gergeti Holy Trinity church under the Kazbegi glacier (5047 m), Borjomi-Kharagauli National Park, and the ancient caves of Uplistsikhe and Vardzia.

MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

TBILISI CITY
• Holy Trinity Cathedral
• Narikala Fortress & Mosque 19th c
• Legutakhevi Waterfall
• Rustaveli Avenue
• Sulfur Bathhouse District
• Sharden & King Erekle II street
• Sioni Cathedral 13th c
• Bridge of peace

KHEVI PROVINCE
• Ananuri Architectural Complex
• Gudauri ski-resort
• Stepantsminda town, Kazbegi
• Gergeti Holy Trinity Church

KARTLI REGION
• Gori J. Stalin Museum
• Uplistsikhe Caves 1st Millennium B.C

SAMTSKHE REGION
• Borjomi Spa-Resort
• Borjomi-Kharagauli NP
• Akhaltsikhe Town
• Rabat Castle 14-18th cc
• Vardzia Caves 12th c

MTSKHETA CITY
• Svetitskhoveli 11th c
• Jvari Monastery 6th c

BOOk 6 MONTHS IN ADVANCE SAVE 10% € 801

DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Tbilisi City Tour
After breakfast at the hotel, Georgian Holidays will organize your pick up, and the tour takes off on Saturday, at 10:00 AM. Participants will join the group for the full-day Tbilisi city sightseeing tour. It start from the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi (Sameba), one of the tallest Orthodox churches in the world and the tallest in Georgia. From the cathedral we take a walk through Shardeni and Erekle II streets, where you can spot many cafes and bars with lots of foreign visitors. On our way in the old town we will see the Sioni Cathedral as well, built in the 13th c. From here we are going to cross the glass Bridge of Peace and take the cable car from Rike park to drive up on the hill to Narikala fortress, built in 4th c., where we can enjoy panoramic views of the city. From the fortress we will go down to the old city to see the ancient quarter, little canyon and the waterfall in Legutakhevi area. From Legutakhevi, we continue to sulfur bath houses Abanotubani. Tbilisi city tour ends at the Maidan square.

2 DAY | Tbilisi-Mtskheta-Ananuri- Gudauri
On day 2 we go to Mtskheta – the ancient capital of Georgia. In Mtskheta we can visit two of the UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Jvari Monastery (6th c.) and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral (11th c.). From Mtskheta we drive towards the Caucasus mountains through the Georgian Military Highway. On our way to Gudauri ski-resort we will have a short stop to see the Ananuri Architectural Complex, built in 16-17th cc. The complex that stands near the Araqui River and Zhinuali Reservoir, is comprised of churches, fortifications and residential buildings of local feudal dynasty of Araqui. From Ananuri we drive towards the Greater Caucasus mountains and arrive at the ski-resort Gudauri, which lies at an elevation of 2196 meters.

3 DAY | Gudauri-Kazbegi - Tbilisi
After breakfast at the hotel we start a full-day exploration of the Caucasus mountains. We will reach 2395 m level on the Cross Pass, where we can make several stops to
taste mineral waters, as well as to observe waterfalls and snowy peaks of the mountains around. We will visit peak of the Mount Gergeti and the Holy Trinity Church – located above Kazbegi town and under the Kazbegi glacier (5033m) at the same time. Finally, after our trip in the mountains we will drive back to Tbilisi in the evening.

**4 DAY** | Tbilisi-Gori-Borjomi-Akhaltsikhe

After breakfast we will drive towards Samtskhe passing through Kartli region. On our way, we will make several stops in Kartli. First, at the Gori town, the heart of Kartli region and the birthplace of the Soviet leader Joseph Stalin. Stalin museum in Gori consists of the memorial house with collection of Stalin’s personal belongings. From Gori we head for an excursion in the ancient Uplistsikhe cave complex. Uplistsikhe is one of the oldest rock-heun urban settlements in Georgia dated back to the 1st millennium BC. The town is cut in rock and has many secret tunnels and passes connecting ancient chambers and halls. Our next stop is at Borjomi – a town famous for its mineral sparkling water. Here we can taste Borjomi mineral sparkling water and take a walk through Borjomi-Kharagauli national park – one of the largest protected areas in Europe, which covers 5300 sq. km. The park is unique because of its wildlife, interesting historic sites and different ecological and geographical zones. In the evening we arrive in Akhaltsikhe.

**5 DAY** | Akhaltsikhe-Vardzia-Akhaltsikhe

After breakfast we will visit Akhaltsikhe Castle. Rabati Castle is a fortress in Akhaltsikhe, established in the 9th century and later rebuilt by the Ottomans. After the excursion at Rabati Castle, we will drive to Vardzia. Vardzia – a rock-hewn cave monastery on the left bank of the river Mtkvari, was founded in the 12th-13th c.c., during the reign of Giorgi III and Queen Tamar. Initially planned as a town-fortress, the complex became a well-fortified monastery, which had a significant role in political, cultural, educational and spiritual life of the country. From Vardzia we drive back to Akhaltsikhe.

**6 DAY** | Akhaltsikhe- Tsalka-Tbilisi

On the final day of the tour, after breakfast at the hotel we will depart for Tbilisi. On our drive back to Tbilisi we will pass through the Javakheti Plateau. Along the way towards Tbilisi we will make several stops at the alpine lakes of Sagamo and Paravani, and Tsalka reservoir. In the evening we arrive in Tbilisi.

**7 DAY** | Departure for Tbilisi Airport

Breakfast at the hotel. Check out until 12.00 pm. End of service.

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**€ 801 | PRICE INCLUDES:**

**TRANSPORT:**
- Pick up/drop off from/to Tbilisi Hotel
- Transportation service all days except day 7.
- 1 x local jeep in Kazbegi day 3

**STAFF:**
- English speaking Guide & Driver service all days

**5 OVERNIGHTS IN DBL ROOM IN 3* HOTELS:**
- 3 x overnights in Tbilisi
- 1 x overnight in Gudauri
- 2 x overnight in Akhaltsikhe

**MEALS:**
- 5 x breakfasts
- 1 x dinner on day 2

**OTHER:**
- Entrance fees per program.
- 1 bottle of mineral water per person per day

**7 DAY TOUR STARTS** | EVERY SECOND SATURDAY JOIN IN TBILISI

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The deposit for this tour is: **200 €**

**ADDITIONAL PRICING INFORMATION:**
- Single room supplement is **115 €**
AZERBAIJAN-GEORGEIJA | 11 DAYS
Small group tour to Georgia

BOOK 6 MONTHS IN ADVANCE  SAVE 10% € 1346

STARTS FROM : BAKU, AZERBAIJAN EVERY SECOND TUESDAY
The exploration route is open from May to October. Choose the date and join the group in Tbilisi.

Combined small group tour to Azerbaijan and Georgia is a 11-day journey with guaranteed departure dates, which explores two different cultures with diversity of traditions. Tour starts in the capital of Azerbaijan – Baku, moves to the town Sheki, and from day 3 – continues in Georgia.

Group will be guided by two local experts – one local guide for each country. They will introduce you to the most important historico-cultural and architectural monuments of the two Caucasus countries, the UNESCO World Heritage Sites, local cuisines etc.

The group is “Guaranteed to Run” after two people book the tour.

MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

AZERBAIJAN

BAKU
- Panorama of the City & Baku Bay from Mountain park
- The medieval sight of the Old City 11-19 cc.
- Karuansaray Complex 14-15 cc.
- Mosques 11-19cc.
- Old bath, narrow small streets, Art Shops & Handicraft Workshop
- Giz Galasi Maiden Tower
- Gabustan NP of rock painting

SHEKI
- Diri-Baba Mausoleum
- Sheki Fortress
- Sheki Khan Palace
- Karuansaray
- Alban Church in Kish Village

GEORGIA

TBILISI CITY
- Holy Trinity Cathedral
- Narikala Fortress & Mosque
- Legutakeui Waterfall
- Sulfur Bathhouse District
- Sharden & King Erekle II street
- Sioni & Anchishkhati Basilica
- Mother of Georgia

KARTLI REGION
- Gori J. Stalin Museum
- Uplistsikhe Caves 1st C

MTSKHETA CITY
- Svetitskhoveli of 12th C
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KAKHETI PROVINCE
- Signagi town & museum
- Tsinandali, Shumi
- Telaut town

KHEVI
- Ananuri Castle 16-17th c
- Gudaauri Ski-Resort 2119m
- Stephantsminda Town, Kazbegi
- Gergeti Holy Trinity Church 14th c

SAMTSKHE REGION
- Borjomi Spa-Resort
- Borjomi Park
- Akhaltsikhe Town
- Rabat Castle 14-18th cc
- Vardzia Caves 12th c

1 DAY | Baku Tour

Baku sightseeing tour starts on day 1 at 10:00 AM. First stop is at the Mountain Park, where we can observe Baku Bay and panoramic views of the city. After a short walk in the alley we drive to the old city to visit the Palace of the Shirvanshahs, which was built in the 15th century and served as a stronghold of Baku in the middle ages. Participants of the Baku old city tour will also explore old caravanserai and bathhouse, medieval mosques, art shops, and last but not least – Maiden tower, 12th century monument under the UNESCO World Heritage list.
2 DAY | Baku – Sheki

After breakfast at the hotel, tour departs to the west – to town of Sheki. On our way we will make several stops to see 15th century mausoleum of Sheikh Diri-Baba in Gobustan town and 8th century Juma Mosque in Shamakhi town. In the evening, we arrive in Sheki. The evening Sheki tour explores Sheki fortress, Palace of Shaki Khans, old caravanserai and mosque.

3 DAY | Sheki – Sighnaghi

After breakfast we make a short excursion to Kish – a village located 5 km from Sheki. The main attraction of the village is Church of Kish. The existing church building is estimated to be constructed in the 12th century and has served Caucasian Albanian, Georgian and Armenian churches in different times through history. However, archaeologists found that church stands on much older, ancient cultic site. From Kish we drive to the eastern border of Georgia. Tour guide will assist the participants with border formalities. On the border we change the vehicles. From now on local Georgian guide will assist you and continue the tour. From Georgian-Azerbaijan border we drive to Sighnaghi – a town in a traditional wine-making Kakheti region in the east Georgia. Surrounded by the medieval city wall, Sighnaghi stands on the hills of Gombori range, overlooking Alazani river valley. We are going to visit Sighnaghi Museum that has several important collections and exhibitions, such as the ethnographic and archaeological exhibitions, and collections of the works of prominent Georgian painter Niko Pirosmani. Afterwards we can take a walk in Sighnaghi streets and park.

4 DAY | Sighnaghi – Tsinandali – Telavi – Tbilisi

Depart from Sighnaghi and drive to the village of Tsinandali to visit Aleksandre Chaucaudzoe House Museum. Aleksandre Chaucaudzoe was a well-known 18th century Georgian aristocrat, military figure and poet. Nowadays Chaucaudzoe’s residence, garden and wine-cellar functions as a museum and attracts lots of visitors. From Tsinandali we move to Shumi – where we can take a look on another, Shumi winery and the wine museum “Vazioni”, where visitors can taste local wine and snacks.

Our next stop is Telavi – major town of Kakheti region. In Telavi we can visit medieval fortress that served as a residence of the Kings of Kakheti – Batonietskike. We make a short Telavi tour and afterwards depart for Tbilisi through the Gombori pass (1620 m).

5 DAY | Tbilisi City Tour

Tbilisi city tour starts from visiting the Holy Trinity Cathedral (Sameba), one of the tallest Orthodox Christian churches in the world. From Sameba, we move to Metekhi Platuau and Metelki church built in the 5th century, located on the cliff over nuer Mtkvari and the old city district. From Metelki we move to Nankala fortress – ancient fortification overlooking Tbilisi from the hill, which can be reached by a aerial cable car. From Nankala we take a walk through the old city full of various attractions and sites: the National Botanical Garden of Georgia, Jumah Mosque, Legnatkevi canyon and waterfall, Abanotubani – historical sulfur bathhouse district of Tbilisi, Shardeni and Erekle II streets and the glass Bridge of Peace. Tbilisi city tour finishes at the Meidan Square.

6 DAY | Tbilisi – Mtskheta – Ananuri – Gudauri

After breakfast at the hotel we drive to the north to Mtskheta – historical capital of Georgia, located near Tbilisi at the confluence of the two rivers of Mtkvari and Aragvi. In Mtskheta we can take a look at two UNESCO World Heritage Sites – Jvari Monastery (6th century) and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral (12th century). After Mtskheca tour we can visit handicrafts, souvenir shops and wine cellars located in the center of the town, we head to the north and drive on the Georgian Military Highway. On our way to Gudauri we make a stop near Zhinvali reservoir and visit Ananuri Architectural Complex that was once a fortification and residential building of local dukes. In the evening we arrive at Gudauri ski-resort, located at an elevation of 2196 m above sea level.

7 DAY | Gudauri – Kazbegi – Tbilisi

Drive to Kazbegi town. On our way we make a stop at the traurtine hill and taste local mineral waters. After our arrival in Kazbegi we set off for Mount Gergeti trek. Mount Gergeti is famous for its Holy Trinity Church built in 14th century, which stands under the Kazbegi glacier (5033 m) while overlooking Kazbegi town. After the Mount Gergeti trek, we come back to Kazbegi town and drive to Tbilisi.

8 DAY | Tbilisi – Gori – Borjomi – Akhaltsikhe

Head to Samtskhe region and drive through Kartli province. Our first stop is at Gori town, where we will visit museum of Joseph Stalin. Museum consists of Stalin’s memorial house, exposition building with tower and personal room with belongings. Our next stop in Kartli – Uplistsikhe cave complex is another popular site located near Gori. Uplistsikhe represents ancient cave complex, which is one of the oldest urban settlements in Georgia dated back to the 1st millennium BC. Next stop is in Borjomi – a spa-resort in Mtkvari raione, where well-known mineral water ‘Borjomi’ comes from. After a walk in Borjomi park, we depart for Akhaltsikhe and arrive there in the evening.

9 DAY | Akhaltsikhe – Vardzia – Akhaltsikhe

After breakfast we start Akhaltsikhe (translated as ‘new castle’) tour and visit its most remarkable monument – Rabati, a medieval fortress and castle. Akhaltsikhe Castle excursion includes Rabati museum, 14th century Jakeli Castle, fortress church and the St. Marine church. From Akhaltsikhe, we leave for Vardzia in the afternoon. Vardzia is another famous cave complex located in Samtskhe. It is a rock-heun cave monastery founded in 12th-13th centuries. In the evening we drive back to Akhaltsikhe.

10 DAY | Akhaltsikhe – Tsalka – Tbilisi

Leave for Tbilisi. Our way to Tbilisi goes through Javakheti plateau, where we will make several stops at the alpine lakes of Sagamo, Paravan and Tsalka reservoir. In the evening we arrive in Tbilisi.

11 DAY | Tbilisi

Breakfast. Check out time before 12:00 pm.
€ 1346 PRICE INCLUDES:
• 1x transfer from Lagodekhi border: 3;
• Transportation service all days;
• 1x local jeep in Kazbegi on day 7;
• English speaking Guide & Driver service all days;

10 OVERNIGHTS IN DB/TW ROOM IN 3* HOTELS:
• 1 x overnight in Baku 3* hotel
• 1 x overnight in Sheki 3* hotel
• 1 x overnight in Sighnaghi 3* hotel
• 4 x overnights in Tbilisi 3* hotel
• 1 x overnight in Gudauri 3* Hotel
• 2 x overnights in Akhaltsikhe 3* Hotel

MEALS:
• 10 x Breakfasts on days: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11;
• 1 x Dinners on day 2

ENTERTAINMENT AND OTHER:
• 1 x wine tasting in Shumi winery on day 4
• 1 x glass of wine in Tsinandali museum on day 4
• Entrance fees per program
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The guaranteed tour dates & prices are for the itinerary joining in Tbilisi (for the Caucasus Pearls itinerary joining in Baku).
Prices include individual pick up/drop off service from the centrally located Tbilisi Hotel for joining the first day sightseeing tour.
Prices include group hotel nights as described in the dossier.
Prices exclude individual airport transfers and a hotel night on the last day of the Land Only Itinerary.
Additional costs: Individual pick up service from Tbilisi airport to the hotel: 25 €. Individual drop off service from the hotel to Tbilisi airport: 20 €. Individual transfer for double way: Tbilisi airport Pick up/ Drop off: 40 €.
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KHEVI MOUNTAINS | 4 DAYS
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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

TBILISI CITY
• Holy Trinity Cathedral
• Narikala Fortress 14th c.
• Legutakhevi Canyon
• Sulfur Bathhouse District
• Shardeni Street
• Rustaveli Avenue.

KHEVI PROVINCE
• Georgian Military Highway
• Ananuri Castle 16-17th c.
• Ski Resort Gudauri
• Juani Pass 2395m

MTSKHETA CITY:
• Svetitskhoveli Cathedral 11th c.
• Jvari Monastery 6th c.

DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Arrival in Tbilisi Airport
Arrival in Tbilisi Airport. Transfer to the hotel.

2 DAY | Tbilisi-Ananuri -Kazbegi - Gudauri
Today we drive on Georgian Military Highway towards the Greater Caucasus mountains. On our way we stop at the Ananuri Architectural Complex, built in 14-17th c. The complex consists of fortifications, churches and residential buildings of local feudals. From Ananuri drive to the north, pass Gudauri ski-resort and theJuani (Cross) Pass (2395 m), and get to Kazbegi – the administrative center of Khevi province, located at 1700 meters above sea level. From Kazbegi we hike to the mount of Gergeti (approximately a 2.5-hour hike) to visit the Holy Trinity Church of Gergeti, built in the 14th century on top of the mountain under the Kazbegi Glacier (5047 m). From Gergeti we continue our tour around Khevi, and drive to the Danali garge – an important crossing point of Greater Caucasus mountains. In Danali we a walk along the Terek river and pay a visit to Gveleti waterfalls. In the evening we drive to Gudauri for overnight.

3 DAY | Gudauri-Mtskheta-Tbilisi
after breakfast at the hotel we leave for Tbilisi. On our way we visit Mtskheta town – historical capital of early Georgian Kingdom. Mtskheta is known for its two sites that are included in UNESCO World Heritage list: Svetitskhoveli Cathedral of 11th c. and Juani monastery of 6th c. After visiting Mtskheta and both of these monuments we head to Tbilisi for a city tour. First attraction is the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi – one of the tallest Orthodox churches in the world. Next we take a cable car from Rike Park to go up to Narikala Fortress built in the 4th century AD that overlooks the old city. From Narikala we walk down to Legutakhevi canyon and visit a small river and waterfall there. From Legutakhevi, we continue to the old Tbilisi to see the Sulfur Bathhouse District, Shardeni and Erekle II streets with outdoor cafes, art galleries and souvenir shops, and the pedestrian glass Bridge of Peace.

4 DAY | Tbilisi-Transfer To The Airport
Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the Airport. Departure.

INCLUDES:

• 3* Accommodation, all transfers, excursions & entrance fees, Professional guide & driver service during the tour
• Comfortable vehicle service all days
• 2 x Airport pick up/drop of service
• 2 x nights-Tbilisi
• 1 x night-Gudauri
• 3 x Breakfasts
• 1 x Dinner – on day 2
• 2 x bottles Water per person daily
• All local taxes

BOOK 6 MONTHS IN ADVANCE & SAVE 10%

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KARTLI HISTORICAL TOUR | 4 DAYS
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**MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:**

**TBILISI CITY**
- National Museum of Georgia
- Narikala Fortress 4th c.
- Legutakhevi Canyon
- Sulfur Bathhouse Square
- Shardeni Street
- Meidan Square
- Bridge of Peace
- Rustaveli Avenue
- MTSKHETA

**MTSKHETA**
- Svetitskhoveli Cathedral 11th c.
- Jvari Monastery 6th c.

**KARTLI PROVINCE**
- Gori Town
- Stalin House-Museum
- Uplistsikhe Caves 1st c.
- Svetitskhoveli 11th c.
- Juari Monastery 6th c.

**DAY TO DAY ITINERARY**

1. **DAY** | Arrival in Tbilisi Airport
   Arrival in Tbilisi Airport. Transfer to the hotel for overnight.

2. **DAY** | Tbilisi city tour
   After breakfast at the hotel we start Tbilisi city tour. First we visit the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi (Sameba) – one of the tallest orthodox Christian churches in the world and tallest in Georgia. From here tour continues to Narikala fortress – we take an aerial cable car from Rike Park and get to the hill where Narikala Fortress is situated. Narikala was built in 4th century and served as a main fortification of Tbilisi for centuries. From Narikala we stroll down to the old city, and visit Legvtakhevi canyon and waterfall, Sulfur bathhouse district, walk along the Shardeni and Erekle II streets and get to the Maidan square. These areas are full of outdoor cafes, bars, art galleries and souvenir shops. From Maidan we move to the glass Bridge of Peace and continue towards the Rustaveli avenue, to pay a visit to the Georgian National Museum. The museum preserves national heritage and presents numerous rich archaeological, numismatic, ethnographic and contemporary art collections.

3. **DAY** | Tbilisi-Mtskheta-Gori-Uplistsikhe
   Located on the crossroads of Europe and Asia, Mtskheta used to be the capital of the Eastern Georgian kingdom of Iberia from the 4th c. BC until the 5th c. AD. Town is famous for two of its UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Svetitskhoveli Cathedral, built in the 11th century, and Juari monastery, built in the 6th c. From Mtskheta we continue our trip to Gori – a town where we are going to visit the museum of Joseph Stalin. Museum consists of Stalins’s memorial house, exposition building with tower and personal room with belongings.

   Last but not least, we head to explore ancient cave complex of Uplistsikhe, located near Gori. Uplistsikhe is a complex carved in stone, which represents one of the oldest urban settlements in Georgia.

   In the evening drive back to Tbilisi.

4. **DAY** | Tbilisi-Transfer To The Airport
   Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the Airport. Departure.

**INCLUDES:**

- 3* Accommodation, all transfers, excursions & entrance fees, professional guide & driver service during the tour
- 2 x Airport pick up/drop of service
- 3 x nights & breakfasts in Tbilisi
- 3 x breakfasts
- 2 x bottles water per person daily
- All local taxes

**BOOK & SAVE**

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Glimpse of Georgia | 5 Days
Private escorted multiday cultural tour package for individuals and families

Main highlights & sites:

Tbilisi City
- Sameba Cathedral
- Narikala Fortress 4th c
- Legutakhevi Canyon
- Sulfur Bathhouse Square
- Shardeni Street
- Meidan Square

Mt. Kheta City
- Svetitskhoveli Cathedral 11th c
- Jvari Monastery 6th c

Khevi Province
- Ananuri Castle
- Ski Resort Gudauri (2196)
- Gergeti Holy Trinity Church 14th c
- Stepantsminda Village

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Day to Day Itinerary

1 Day | Arrival in Tbilisi Airport
Arrival in Tbilisi Airport. Transfer to the hotel for overnight.

2 Day | Tbilisi-Mt. Kheta-Ananuri-Gudauri
Start half day Tbilisi City Tour: visit the biggest Cathedral in Georgia Sameba, Ride to Narikala Fortress by aerial cable car, stroll down to Sulfur bathhouses and Legutakhevi-a lovely place with waterfall.

Drive to Mt. Kheta -the former capital of Iberia to visit UNESCO world heritage sites: Svetitskhoveli Cathedral 11th c and Jvari Monastery 6th c. On the way visit Ananuri castle 16-17th cc-the Aragvi duke’s residence.

Dinner and overnight in resort Gudauri.

3 Day | Gudauri-Kazbegi-Gergeti-Gudauri
Full day exploration of high Caucasus Mountains. Make several stops on the way - Cross Pass (2395 m) to taste mineral waters at yellow travertines and observe the birthplace of Aragvi River. Upward walk approximately 2.5 h to the Mount Gergeti to see panoramic view. Visit Gergeti Trinity church 14th c. located above the alpine village Stepantsminda and on the foothills of the magnificent glacier Kazbegi (5047m). Drive to Danali Canyon to the Russian border. Easy trek to Gveleti waterfalls. Evening arrive back to Gudauri for dinner & overnight.

4 Day | Gudauri-Tbilisi
Drive to Tbilisi and continue the city sightseeing. Leisure walk on Rustaveli Avenue, Meidan square with souvenirs shops, outdoor cafes and galleries scattered around. Cross a modern glass Bridge of Peace and finish the day on Mtatsminda - the highest point in Tbilisi (770m). Funicular tram takes you to the park for observation. Overnight in Tbilisi.

5 Day | Tbilisi-Transfer To The Airport
Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the Airport. Departure.

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Includes:

- 3* Accommodation, all transfers, excursions & entrance fees, Professional guide & driver service during the tour
- Comfortable vehicle service all days
- 2 x Airport pick up/drop of service
- 2 x nights-Tbilisi
- 2 x nights-Gudauri
- 4 x Breakfasts
- 2 x Dinners-on days 2,3
- 2 x bottles Water per person daily
- All local taxes
GOLDEN FLEECE | 5 DAYS
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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

IMERETI REGION
- Kutaisi City
- Gelati Monastery and Academy
- Bagrati Cathedral
- Prometheus caves

SVANETI REGION
- Mestia Town
- Ushguli Village & Towers
- Villages Ipari & Kala

SAMEGRELO REGION
- Zugdidi Town
- Dadiani Palace 19th c
- Nokalakevi

DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Arrival in Kutaisi
Arrival in Kutaisi Airport. Transfer to the hotel for overnight.

2 DAY | Kutaisi–Nokalakevi–Mestia
Today we drive to visit Prometheus Caves. Discovered in 1984, Prometheus caves is one of the biggest caves in Georgia. Here, we can take a walk along the 1.2 km long underground trail that is open for tourists.

From Prometheus Cave we continue our trip to Nokalakevi village, famous for its archaeological site that consisting of the remnants of 4-6th c.c. fortress in the Samegrelo-Zemo Svaneti region of Georgia. After paying a visit to Nokalakevi museum-reserve, we continue driving to the north-west and make a stop at the Enguri hydroelectric dam, one of the tallest concrete arch dams in the world with a height of 271.5 m.

From Enguri dam continue our way to northern region of Georgia – Svaneti. Arrive to the town of Mestia - the center of Svaneti.

3 DAY | Mestia–Ushguli–Mestia
Drive to the highest inhabited village in Europe – Ushguli. The village is included in UNESCO World Heritage Sites list. The way to Ushguli is extremely attractive. You will find yourself in the realm of the towers, surrounded by the Caucasus Mountains, glaciers, high peaks and roaring waterfalls. Take a walk towards Shkhora Glacier—the highest mountain in Georgia 5068 m. In the evening drive back to Mestia.

4 DAY | Mestia–Zugdidi–Kutaisi
After breakfast drive back towards Kutaisi. On the way we stop at Zugdidi - administrative center of Samegrelo region. During Zugdidi tour we visit Dadiani Palace and Museum, the Samegrelo queen Ekaterine Chaukhavadze-Dadiani and Prince Niko Dadiani court church, and the botanical garden. Explore Kutaisi city and its surroundings. Visit two UNESCO Sites: Gelati Academy and Bagrati Cathedral. Built in 12th century, during the Georgian Golden Era, under the rule of King David IV, Gelati became a cultural and intellectual center for in middle ages. Named after King Bagrati III, Bagrati Cathedral presents a masterpiece of Georgian medieval church architecture. The cathedral stands on the hill at the heart of Kutaisi and is considered as a symbol of the city.

5 DAY | Kutaisi–Departure
Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to Kutaisi International Airport for departure.

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- 3* Accommodation, all transfers, excursions & entrance fees, professional guide & driver service during the tour
- Comfortable vehicle service all days
- 2 x Kutaisi airport pick up/drop of service
- 2 x nights in Kutaisi
- 2 x nights in Mestia
- 2 x bottles Water per person daily
- All breakfasts & 2 dinners

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DISCOVER GEORGIA | 6 DAYS
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**MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:**

**TBILISI CITY**
- Holy Trinity Cathedral
- Metekhi Church 13th C
- Narikala Fortress 4th C
- Legutakhevi Waterfall
- Sulfur Bathhouses
- Shardeni Street Neighbourhood
- Meidan Square
- Bridge Of Peace
- Georgia National Museum
- Rustaveli Avenue

**MTSKHETA CITY**
- Svetitskhoveli Cathedral 11th c
- Jvari Monastery 6th C

**KHEVI PROVINCE**
- Ananuri Castle 16-17th cc
- Gudauri ski-resort
- Stepantsminda town, Kazbegi
- Gergeti Holy Trinity Church 14th c

**IMERETI REGION**
- Kutaisi city
- Bagrati Cathedral
- Gelati Academy
- Prometheus Caves

**KARTLI PROVINCE**
- Gori J. Stalin Museum
- Uplistsikhe Caves

**DAY TO DAY ITINERARY**

1 **DAY** | Arrival in Tbilisi Airport
Transfer to the hotel. Overnigh in Tbilisi.

2 **DAY** | Tbilisi City Tour
Start Tbilisi City tour and visit the main cathedral of Georgia – the Holy Trinity (Sameba) in Aulabari district. From here we have the view of Mtatsminda Mount and old town laid on the smooth slopes of the hills. Continue to Metekhi Church of 13th c. at the rocky bank of Mtkvari River. This is the first location of Royal residence in Tbilisi. Ride on cable car to the Fortress Narikala from 4th c. for enjoying amazing panoramic views over the old district of Tbilisi. Stroll down Legutakhevi park with natural waterfall, pass near the Sulfur bathhouse square and head to the narrow streets neighboring Cotton Row. Iron Row and Shardeni street, where you can spend leisure time in cafes, galleries and souvenir shops. Photo-shoot on the Bridge of Peace – made of glass. Continue to the National Museum of Georgia. One of the most amazing specimens at the museum is the prehistoric human remains found in Dmanisi (date back to 1.8 million years and are the oldest sign of human existence outside of Africa). This discovery has changed the whole theory of human evolution. Collection of Treasures features gold and silver artifacts and jewelry from the pre-Christian period. Free time on Rustaveli Avenue, where you can buy the souvenirs and handcrafts. Overnight in Tbilisi.

3 **DAY** | Tbilisi-Mtskheta-Gori-Kutaisi
Drive to Mtskheta to visit its two major monuments included in the list of the UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Jvari Monastery, constructed in the 6th c., and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral, built in the 11th c. From Mtskheta, we drive to Gori town, which lies at the center of Kartli region, to visit the museum of Joseph Stalin. Museum and memorial house keeps collection of Stalin’s personal items, gifts and private train. From Gori we visit Uplistsikhe cave complex, 12 km from Gori, to look at the oldest urban settlement on the territory of Georgia dating back to Early Iron Age. The town is cut in rock; some residential halls design reflects imitation of the wooden structure on the ceiling. The secret tunnels and passes connecting ancient chambers and halls run towards the river and park. From Uplistsikhe we drive to the west Georgia and after crossing Rikoti Pass – the natural watershed between East and West, we arrive in the center of Imereti region – Kutaisi. We are going to visit two UNESCO World
Explore the Prometheus Caves in Tskaltubo (doesn’t work on Mondays) - Prometheus Cave is one of the most popular and largest international tourist caves, and includes various types of stalactites, stalagmites, curtains, petrified waterfalls, cave pearls, underground rivers, and lakes. The cluster of six caves differs significantly from each other in scale and the unique shapes of petrified flowstones found within.

Drive to the ski resort Gudauri. A short excursion on the Northern Road at Ananuri Castle 16-17th cc. residential buildings of local Dukes and a fortification.

Continue to the north, high Caucasus Mountains and subalpine pastures. Serpentine take us on the elevation 2000m above sea level. The area is famous for nature lovers and ski resort. Dinner and Overnight in Gudauri.

Day 5 | Gudauri-Gergeti-Dariali-Gweleti-Tbilisi

Today we explore the high Caucasus Mountains; make several stops on the Cross Pass (2379 meters), observe waterfalls, the birthplace of Aragvi River and taste bobbling mineral water at Travertine. After arrival to the village Stephantsminda take a walk to the top of the Mount Gergeti (approx. time 2.5 hours), visit Holy Trinity church 14th c. located above the village and on the other hand under the glacier of Kazbegi (5047m). Wonderful view is opening from here. Continue to Dariali gorge, a crossing point of Caucasus range and bordering Russia. Take a walk to Gweleti waterfalls and enjoy the green valleys around and picturesque landscapes. Drive back to Tbilisi for overnight.

Day 6 | Tbilisi-Transfer to The Airport

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the Airport. Departure.

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**Includes:**

3* Accommodation, all transfers, excursions & entrance fees, Professional guide & driver service during the tour, comfortable vehicle service all days.

- 2 x Airport pick up/drop of service
- 3 x nights-Tbilisi
- 1 x night-Kutaisi
- 1 x night-Gudauri
- 5 x Breakfasts-on days 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
- 1 x Dinner-on day 4
- 2 x bottles Water per person daily
- All local taxes

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**Price per Person**

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**Child Policy**

- 0-4 years: FREE
- 5-6 years: 50% OFF
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**Heritage Sites in Kutaisi:** Bagrati cathedral, built in the 11th c., located in the center of the city on top of the hill, and Gelati Academy and Monastery, founded in the 12th c., with beautiful mosaics and frescoes inside the main church.

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**UNESCO Arrival**

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KARTLI PROVINCE
- Gori J. Stalin House-Museum
- Uplistsikhe Caves 1st Millennium B.C

IMERETI REGION
- Kutaisi City
- Bagrati Cathedral 11th c
- Gelati Monastery 12th c
- Prometheus Karst Caves
- Okatse Canyon

SAMTSKHE-JAVAKHETI REGION
- Borjomi National Park
- Borjomi Spa-Town
- Rabat Fortress Complex 14-18th c
- Akhaltsikhe Town
- Vardzia Rock-Cut Town 12th c

DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Arrival In Tbilisi Airport
Transfer to the hotel. Overnight in Tbilisi.

2 DAY | Tbilisi - Mt’khet’a - Goli - Kutaisi
Drive to the old capital of Iberia Kingdom-Mt’khet’a and visit UNESCO heritage sites: Mt’khet’a Cathedral 11th c and Juari Monastery 6th c. Arrive in Goli City-to see Stalin’s house-museum, excursion in Uplistsikhe-the most ancient caves 1st mill BC. Continue to the West to the second largest city in Georgia- Kutaisi. See the beautiful sunset from Gelati Academy and perfectly preserved mosaic 12th c. Overnight in Kutaisi.

3 DAY | Kutaisi Tour-Okatse Canyon-Kutaisi
Visit UNESCO site. Bagrati cathedral 11th c, located in the city center on top of the hill and overlooking the area. Explore one of the most popular and largest caves-Promete with various types of stalactites, stalagmites, cave pearls, underground rivers, waterfalls and lakes. Drive to Okatse Canyon. The canyon runs roughly for 14 kilometers, width ranges from 3-6 to 15-20 meters, while its depth is between 20-100 meters, magnificent wild nature, astonishing waterfalls and breathtaking views! Drive back to Kutaisi for overnight.

4 DAY | Kutaisi-Borjomi-Akhaltsikhe
Drive to the Borjomi spa-town and walk in the Borjomi-Kharagauli National Park, where we can taste famous mineral spring water. Continue to Akhaltsikhe. Visit Rabat complex dating back to 14-18th century. The complex includes a castle, public area, administrative building, Museum, Church, Mosque and remains of a Medresa (Islamic school). Overnight in Akhaltsikhe.

5 DAY | Akhaltsikhe-Vardzia-Tbilisi
Continue the way along the Kura River valley. Photo stop near the well preserved medieval Khertvisi fortress 10th c. Continue to the unique monument of architecture, rock-heun town of Vardzia. Vardzia cave complex consists of approximately 600 rooms located in five, six, seven and sometimes twelve tiers, which included residential caves, spring, churches, refectories, bakeries, wine presses, sta-
**INCLUDES:**

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- 2 x Airport pick up/drop of service
- 3 x nights-Tbilisi
- 2 x night-Kutaisi
- 1 x night-Akhaltsikhe
- 6 x Breakfasts-on days 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
- 2 x bottles Water per person daily
- All local taxes

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**UNESCO ARRIVAL**

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**6 DAY | Tbilisi City Tour**

Start Tbilisi sightseeing tour from Mtatsminda Park - funicular cable train takes you on the highest point in the city for panoramic observation. Mamadavi Pantheon is located on the middle level of the way. Stroll downhill to the Rustaveli Avenue and head to the National Museum of Georgia. One of the most important collections of the Georgian National Museum is the Collection of Treasures that contains a big number of unique objects from the second half of the III millennium BC through 19th century AD. The collection features gold and silver artifacts and jewelry from the pre-Christian period.

Continue to the Sameba Cathedral and Metekhi Church of 13th c. on the left bank of Mt’kvari river. Enjoy the amazing panoramic views over Tbilisi city while riding on cable car to Narikala Fortress 4th c, walk down the Legutakhevi park and Sulfur bathhouses and head to the Shardeni street, where you can spend leisure time in outdoor cafes. Have a nice walk on the glass Bridge of Peace. Free evening on Dry bridge, where you can find the handicraft and souvenirs.

Transfer to the hotel. Overnight in Tbilisi.

**DAY | Tbilisi-Transfer to the Airport**

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the Airport. Departure.
FLAVOR OF GEORGIA  |  8 DAYS
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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

TBLISI CITY
- Holy Trinity Cathedral
- Sharden Street
- Caravansary
- Sioni Cathedral 13th c
- Erekle II Street
- Bridge of Peace
- Narikala Fortress 4th
- Tbilisi Mosque 19th c
- Legutakhevi Canyon
- Abanotubani District
- Maidan Square
- Open Air Museum of Ethnography

KARTLI PROVINCE
- Gori J. Stalin House-Museum
- Uplistsikhe Caves 1st Millennium B.C

IMERETI REGION
- Kutaisi City
- Bagrati Cathedral 11th c
- Gelati Academy 12th c
- Motsameta Monastery 10th c
- Tsikaltubo Spa-Town
- Prometheus Grotto

ADJARA REGION
- Batumi city
- Batumi Botanical Garden
- Gonio Fortress 1st c A.D
- Old and New Boulevards of Batumi

MTSKHETA CITY
- Svetitskhoveli Cathedral 11th c
- Jvari Monastery 6th c

KUTAISI CITY
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Museum of Ethnography, which is encompassed with 14 different Ethnographic zones: Kartli, Adjara, Imereti, and others. During this tour you’ll visit all the regions mentioned above. Overnight in Tbilisi hotel.

DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Arrival In Tbilisi Airport
Transfer to the hotel. Overnight in Tbilisi.

2 DAY | Tbilisi City Tour
Start the full day sightseeing tour from Trinity cathedral (1995-2004), the highest one in Georgia. That’s the place where the Catholics-Patriarch of all Georgia arranges public baptism every year. Take a nice walk on Sharden street, en-route you can see the small sculpture of Tamada (toast master) and visit Caravansaray, (the History museum of Georgia) rich of various modern exhibits. Continue to Sioni cathedral from the 13th c. and Erekle II Street full of nice cafes, bars. Cross the glass Bridge of Peace. Get in the cable car and drive up to Narikala fortress 4th c. Stroll down to the mosque, little canyon and waterfall in Legutakhevi area. Continue to Abanotubani, sulfur bath houses. Here you can see the colourful bath (Chreli Abano) Alexander Pushkin’s favorite one. Finish the old city tour with Maidan square. Drive up to the Open Air Museum of Ethnography, which is encompassed with 14 different Ethnographic zones: Kartli, Adjara, Imereti, and others. During this tour you’ll visit all the regions mentioned above. Overnight in Tbilisi hotel.

3 DAY | Tbilisi-Gori-Uplistsikhe-Kutaisi
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**4 DAY** | Kutaisi City Tour-Imereti Caves
Start a full day Kutaisi city tour from the important religious, historical and cultural area, Gelati Monastery and academy, 12th century complex. The complex compounds of one central cathedral, a few little churches, academy building, tomb of the great king of Georgia - David the Builder, the founder of this valuable cultural site which nowadays is included in UNESCO world heritage list. Motsameta (for Martyrs), 10th century little quiet monastic complex surrounded with green and rocky mountains is located nearby Gelati. Continue driving to Tskaltubo to visit Prometheus Grotto. 1200 meters long Karst cave with 5 different shaped halls rich of stalactites, stalagmites and other Karst figures formed millions of years ago. The place is interesting not only for its beauty, it also has medical prescript. Drive back to Kutaisi and stroll in the city centre.

**5 DAY** | Kutaisi-Batumi
Before arrival in Batumi city stop en-route to visit Batumi Botanical Garden. One of the largest botanical gardens in the former Soviet Union, stretched on 111 hectare and consisting of nine floristic sectors. The garden collection comprises 2037 taxonomic units of ligneous plants, including 104 of Caucasian origin. Continue to the ancient Gonio fortress that was well-fortified Roman city within Colchis 1st century AD. It’s believed that the apostle of Jesus Christ Matthias is buried underneath the Gonio fortress. Take an evening walk in old and new boulevards of Batumi city.

**6 DAY** | Batumi
Enjoy the leisure time at the Black sea coast. There is very pleasant opportunity to visit Batumi dolphinarium and see the new interactive show. The show includes dolphin dances, playing with rings and balls, balancing on the tails, unforgettable Foot Push and many other new and old stunning moments.

**7 DAY** | Batumi-Mtskheta-Tbilisi
Drive back to Tbilisi. On the way we stop to explore the ancient city of Mtskheta lying at the joining point of the rivers Mtkvari and Aragvi. The city was former capital of Georgia between the 4th century B.C. - 5th A.D. Mtskheta is included in the UNESCO world heritage and acclaimed as one of the holiest places in Georgia as here is kept the Robe of Jesus Christ underneath the Svetitskhoveli cathedral 11th c. Continue to the Jvari monastery 6th c. standing remotely on a hill and overlooking all the city. Evening arrival in Tbilisi.

**8 DAY** | Tbilisi-Departure
Drive to Tbilisi international airport for departure.

**INCLUDES:**
- 3* Accommodation, all transfers, excursions & entrance fees, Professional guide & driver service during the tour
- Comfortable vehicle service all days
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- 3 x nights-Tbilisi
- 2 x nights-Kutaisi
- 2 x nights-Batumi
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CLASSIC TOUR TO GEORGIA | 8 DAYS
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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

**Tbilisi City**
- Holy Trinity Cathedral
- Metekhi Church 13th c
- Narikala Fortress 4th c
- Legutakhevi Canyon
- Sulfur Bathhouses
- Shardeni Street Neighbourhood
- Medkan Square
- Bridge of Peace
- Rustaveli Avenue
- Tbilisi Mall
- Dry Bridge - Flea Market

**Mtksketa City**
- Svetitskhoveli Cathedral 11th c
- Jvari Monastery 6th c

**Kartli Province**
- Gori J. Stalin House-Museum
- Uplistsikhe Caves 1st Millennium BC

**Imereti Region**
- Kutaisi City
- Bagrati Cathedral 11th c
- Gelati Academy 12th c
- Sataplia Natural Reserve

**Khevi Province**
- Ananuri Castle 16-17th c
- Ski Resort Gudauri
- Gergeti Holy Trinity Church 14th c
- Stepantsminda Village

I DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

**1 DAY | Welcome to Tbilisi Airport**
Transfer to the hotel. Overnight in Tbilisi.

**2 DAY | Tbilisi full day city tour**
Meet the guide in the hotel lobby. Start Tbilisi City Tour: visit all the main attractions of the city. Holy Trinity Cathedral - ‘Sameba’ built in 21st c. and being the main Christian Orthodox cathedral in Georgia. Continue to Metekhi Church of 13th c. located by the bank of Mtkvari river. Ride up to Narikala Fortress by aerial cable car. Narikala fortress dates back to 4th century AD, it has a superb location with magnificent panoramic views over the Tbilisi city. Stroll down to Legutakhevi - translated literally as “Fig Ravine” - a beautiful place with waterfall and a small river. Take a walk in the park near Sulfur bathhouses, well-known for their healing powers, Shardeni street, its neighbourhood and Medkan square with its outdoor cafes, galleries and souvenirs shops. Cross the Bridge of Peace - a modern glass bridge in high-tech style. Free time on Rustaveli Avenue, where you can buy the souvenirs and handicrafts. Overnight in Tbilisi.

**3 DAY | Tbilisi-Mtskheta-Ananuri-Gudauri**
Drive to Mtskheta - ancient capital of Georgia to view UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Jvari monastery 6th c - According to traditional sources, one of the most venerated saints of Georgian Orthodox Church stayed on the site of Jvari to pray and erected a wooden cross on Mtskheta’s highest hill, where small church was built. The present church dates back to 6th century BC and is a representative of the tetraconch architectural type that was popular not only in Georgia but also in Byzantine world. Svetitskhoveli cathedral 11th c - it is known as the burial site of Christ’s mantle and has long been one of the most sacred places for Georgians. The interior walls of the cathedral are painted with frescoes, most of which have not survived in their original state. The stonework in the church depicts carved grapes reflecting Georgia’s wine-making traditions. Continue our way to Ananuri Architectural Complex 16-17th cc. The complex comprises churches, fortification and residential buildings of Aragvi Dukes - once ruling the area. Arrival in ski resort Gudauri at the elevation of 2196 m. above sea level. Dinner & overnight in Gudauni.
4 DAY | Gudauri-Kazbegi-Gergeti-Gudauri
Full day exploration of high Caucasus mountains. The highest point on the way is 2395 m above Sea level on the Cross Pass, where we can make several stops to taste mineral water, observe snowy peaks of beautiful mountains and waterfalls. Visit top of the Mount Gergeti and Holy Trinity Church 14th c. -located above Stepantsminda and under the magnificent peak Kazbegi glacier 5047m. Dinner & overnight in Gudauri.

5 DAY | Gudauri-Gori-Uplistsikhe-Kutaisi
Drive to Gori - a small city where Stalin was born. We stop at his house-museum where you’ll have guided excursion. Next stop in ancient cave town Uplistsikhe (12-15 km away from Gori)-carved in rocks from 1st millennium BC. Uplistsikhe contains structures from Early Iron Age to Late Middle Ages.
Continue to the western Georgia to the second largest city in Georgia-Kutaisi. We can make several stops on our way, there are pottery markets, farmers selling baskets, honey, mushrooms and fruits. Stroll in the local fruit market in Kutaisi.

6 DAY | Kutaisi Tour-Imereti Caves-Kutaisi
Visit two UNESCO world heritage sites in Kutaisi: Bagrati cathedral 11th c., located in central part of the city on the top of the hill and Gelati Academy 12th c., with beautiful mosaics inside.
Next, travel to Sataplia Natural reserve known for containing dinosaur footprints and caves with stalactites and stalagmites of true beauty.

7 DAY | Kutaisi-Tbilisi
Drive to Tbilisi. Free time for shopping souvenirs and gifts. You may visit shopping mall or Dry Bridge Flea Market & Aghmashenebeli Avenue. Overnight in Tbilisi.

8 DAY | Tbilisi-Departure
Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the Airport. Departure.

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THE CHARM OF GEORGIA | 8 DAYS
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Meet the Georgian guide at the Batumi International Airport. Drive to Batumi. Overnight in Batumi.

1 DAY | Arrival in Batumi
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2 DAY | Batumi-Zugdidi-Mestia
Start Batumi sightseeing tour: visit Piazza square, Batumi Nobel Museum, Statues of Jason & Medea, old and new boulevards of Batumi. Afterwards start driving to the North.


Continue our way to Mestia - the center of Svaneti region. Mestia was an important center of Georgian culture for centuries and contains a number of medieval monuments - churches and forts. Overnight at Mestia.

3 DAY | Mestia-Ushguli-Mestia
Explore the Svaneti region. Drive up to Ushguli – the highest permanently inhabited village in Europe – on 4x4 WD jeeps. The whole village with its Svan defensive towers has been included in the UNESCO World Heritage list. The way to the village is extremely attractive. En route we cross villages Ipari and Kala, where the spirit of medieval life is still strong. Take a short walk towards Shkhara Glacier – the highest of peaks in Georgia (5193 m. above sea level).

In the evening drive back to Mestia for overnight.

4 DAY | Mestia-Nokalakevi-Kutaisi
First visit 12th century Svan Tower and Museum belonging to Margiani family in Mestia. Drive to the ruins of Nokalakevi fortress. The site was also known as Archaeopolis to early Byzantine historians. The fortress played an important role in wars between Byzantines and Sasanians during 6th century AD. Archaeological excavations have uncovered gold and silver jewelry from Hellenistic Era, hoard of gold coins of the Byzantine Emperor Mauricius (6th c. AD), and many other artifacts most of which are now preserved in Georgian National Museum. Drive to Kutaisi, which according to the sources was the capital of the ancient Kingdom of Colchis in second millennium BC. Historians believe that Argonauts considered Kutaisi as their final destination in their journey for Golden Fleece and the residence of King Aeëtes. Kutaisi also contains 2 of the UNESCO World Heritage Sites in Georgia - Bagrati Cathedral 11th c., located on the
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After breakfast is at the hotel we drive to explore Prometheus Cave – one of the most popular tourist attractions of the region. Prometheus Cave, also known as Kumi-stau, is one of the biggest karst caves in Georgia. Cave has 1.2 km trail open for tourists. If the weather is good, the visitors can take a boat trip and take a look at the unique sightseeing inside the cave system.

From Prometheus we continue to Martvili Canyons where we can make a boat trip in the river Abasha, and observe the surrounding area.

Day 6: Kutaisi-Batumi

Drive to Adjara province and its administrative center Batumi, second largest city in Georgia. On day 6 we have Batumi city tour. We are going to visit Piazza square in the city center, and statues of Jason and Medea – famous characters from Greek mythology, sculpture of Ali and Nino by Tamara Kvesitadze, and finally, take a walk along the boulevards of Batumi.

Day 7: Batumi-Gonio-Batumi

Head to the Batumi Botanical Garden, located at the place called “Green Cape”. Batumi Botanical Garden was established in the late 19th century and expanded later. It is one of the largest botanical gardens in the former Soviet Union. Garden is unique for its rich collection the combinations of species from completely different climatic zones.

From Batumi Botanical Garden we continue to the ancient Gonio Fortress. Gonio Fortress is a well-preserved Roman fortification located in about 10 km from Batumi.

In the evening we come back to Batumi.

Day 8: Tbilisi-Batumi-Departure

Breakfast at the hotel. Departure from Batumi Airport.
GEORGIAN WONDERS | 8 DAYS
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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

SAMTSKHE-JAVAKHETI REGION
- Borjomi Spa-Resort
- Borjomi-Kharagauli National Park
- Akhaltsikhe Town
- Rabati complex 14th-18th c.
- Khertvisi Fortress 10th c.
- Varzdia Cave City 12th c.
- Lakes: Sagamo
- Paravani and Tskali

KHEVI PROVINCE
- Ananuri Castle 16-17th c.
- Ski Resort Gudauri
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- Dariali Gorge
- Gueleti Waterfalls

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- Rikoti Pass
- Bagrat Cathedral 11th c.
- Gelati Monastery 12th c.

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DAILY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Arrival in Kutaisi
Arrival in Kutaisi Airport – the second largest city in Georgia. Transfer to the hotel. Overnight in Kutaisi.

2 DAY | Kutaisi-Borjomi-Akhaltsikhe
Drive to Borjomi Spa-Town. Borjomi is famous for its mineral waters with healing powers. Take a walk in the Borjomi-Kharagauli National park and taste mineral waters coming right from the springs.

After continue the trip to Akhaltsikhe, a small historical town, to visit renewed Rabat fortress 14-18th c. Samtskhe-Javakheti History Museum is located inside the fortress with over 25 000 artifacts preserved inside.

The collection includes manuscripts, archaeological, numismatic items and etc. Overnight in Akhaltsikhe.

3 DAY | Akhaltsikhe-Vardzia-Tbilisi
After breakfast at the hotel continue the exploration of the region. Follow the route along Mtkvari River and stop by Khertvisi Fortress of 10th c. is one of the oldest fortresses in Georgia and was functional throughout the Georgian feudal period.

Continue to Vardzia - cave city and monastery complex of 12th c. which became well defended monastery complex in 13th c. The frescoes of 12th c are still preserved in the caves. One of them depicts King Tamara - the first woman who ascended to throne in feudal Georgia.

After excursion in Vardzia drive back to Tbilisi across the beautiful lakes. Tskali, Paravani and Sagamo. Overnight in Tbilisi.

4 DAY | Tbilisi-Mtskheta-Ananuri-Gudauri

Visit Ananuri Fortress of 16-17th c. , once the seat of Aragui Eristau (Duke of Aragui). The fortress remained in use until the beginning of the 19th c. In 2007, the complex has been on the tentative list for inclusion into the UNESCO World Heritage Site program.

Arrive in Gudauri Ski-Resort located at 2000 m. above sea level. Overnight in Gudauri.
5 DAY | Gudauri-Kazbegi-Gudauri
Drive to Stepantsminda - the center of Khevi region. We will reach 2395 m level on the Cross Pass. En route make several stop to taste mineral waters and observe waterfalls and snowyc peaks of beautiful mountains.
Walk up to Gergeti Mountain, where Gergeti Holy Trinity Church of 14th c stands at the elevation of 2120 meters above sea level under the beautiful peak of Kazbegi glacier (5047 m.) After excursion in Gergeti, drive to Dariali Gorge near the Georgian-Russian border. Take a walk in Gueleti to see the waterfalls and enjoy the untouched nature.
Drive back to Gudaun for overnight.

6 DAY | Gudauri-Tbilisi
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7 DAY | Tbilisi-Gori-Uplistsikhe-Kutaisi
Drive to the town of Gori - the center of the Kartli region. Soviet leader Stalin was born in Gori and spent his first few years here. Nowadays, his house functions as a museum presenting Stalin’s personal items.
Drive to Uplistsikhe cave site dating back to 1st millennium BC, located some 14 km away from Gori. After exploration of the caves, we return to the West via Rikoti Pass - the land of the Golden Fleece.
Make several stops on the way: there are local farmers’ markets on the driveway, selling honey, mushrooms and fruits. Arrive in Kutaisi. Have full day exploration of the city and its surroundings. Visit two UNESCO world heritage sites: Bagrati Cathedral 11th c, located in Kutaisi city center on top of the hill and Gelati Academy and Monastery 12th c with beautiful mosaics inside.
ANCIENT GEORGIA | 9 DAYS
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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

TBILISI CITY
- Mtatsminda Park
- Rustaveli Central Avenue
- Georgian National Museum
- Holy Trinity Cathedral
- Narikala Fortress 4th c
- Tbilisi Old Town
- Legutakhevi Waterfall
- Sulfur Bathhouses
- Metekhi Square

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- Bakuriani Ski-Resort

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- Jvari Monastery 6th c

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- Motsameta Monastic Complex 10th c

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DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Arrival
Arrive in Tbilisi airport. Transfer to the hotel for overnight

2 DAY | Tbilisi-Kutaisi
Start Tbilisi city tour. The panorama from Mtatsminda Park - the highest point in the city (780 m) is a good beginning of the day. Funicular train rides to the top. Continue to Rustaveli Avenue. Visit the Golden Treasury of National Museum. Drive to the Holy Trinity Cathedral, the largest one in Georgia. Finish Tbilisi sightseeing and continue to the Western Georgia, Imereti to explore very important UNESCO site - Bagrati cathedral 11th c.

3 DAY | Kutaisi-Nokalakevi-Mestia
Before taking direction towards Svaneti region drive to Prometheus grotto. Located near Tskaltubo, town Prometheus cave has a 18 km long trail that passes through different halls. From Prometheus cave we continue our journey to Nokalakevi village. Located by the river Tekhuri, Nokalakevi is famous for its excavation site that occupies about 20 ha. Here, archaeologists have discovered numerous ancient artifacts and remnants of the ancient city and fortress Archaeopolis.

From Nokalakevi drive to Enguri river gorge and stop by the Enguri hydroelectric dam, that is among the highest concrete arch dams in the world with a height of 271.5 m. From here we continue our way to mountainous region Svaneti and arrive at the town of Mestia - largest settlement and the administrative center of Svaneti. Mestia, as well as the whole province, is famous for its traditional authentic medieval defensive buildings - Svan towers.

4 DAY | Mestia-Ushguli-Mestia
Start driving to Ushguli community by local 4 x 4 WD jeeps. Pass through the amazing landscapes, rich of coniferous trees and fresh air. The scenery is totally different from the eastern highlands. En route make few stops at Ipari and Kala villages. Arrive in Ushguli, the highest settled village in Europe (2100m), which is included in the UNESCO sites for its unique Svanetian towers dated back to the 9th-12th centuries. In Zhibiani, one of the villages of Ushguli community little chapel is named after the goddess of Fertility in Svanetian belief which was lately called as La Maria because of the Christianity influence. Walk through the old cobbled houses of Ushguli. Drive back to Mestia. Overnight in Mestia.
3 DAY | Mestia-Zugdidi-Kutaisi
Start short morning tour in Mestia and visit Margiani Museum. In this tower-museum visitors can take a look at local dwelling – “Machubi”, and get introduced to the traditional lifestyle of the Sukhs.
From Mestia we depart for Kutaisi. On the way we will make a stop at Zugdidi – administrative center of Samegrelo region. Major attraction of Zugdidi is Dadiani Palace and its History and Architectural Museum. Dadiani Palace was the residence of the local noble house of Dadiani – Mingrelian dukes. The museum complex includes palaces of the Dadiani, court church, and the botanical garden.
From Zugdidi we return back to Kutaisi to make a sightseeing tour of the city and its surroundings. First, we are going to visit Gelati Monastery and Academy. The monastic complex of Gelati was established in the 12th century by King David IV of Georgia (David the Builder), the most prominent king from Georgian history. From Gelati, we are going to drive to Bagrati cathedral, built in the 11th century. Situated in the center of Kutaisi, cathedral is considered as a symbol of the city.
It is worth noting that both Bagrati Cathedral and Gelati monastic complex are recognized as World Heritage Sites by the UNESCO.

4 DAY | Kutaisi-Borjomi-Bakuriani
In the morning visit of Gelati Monastery and Academy (UNESCO). The complex was founded by the Greatest King of Georgia David the Builder in the beginning of the 12th century and it earned high importance in religious and cultural ways for ages. The main church was painted with amazing frescoes between 12th – 17th centuries. On the right side from the main church there is the tomb of David the Builder with an Iron Gate overlooking on it, which was taken by his grandson to prove his victory on the enemy. Continue to 10th century Motsameta Monastic Complex and enjoy the quiet atmosphere surrounded by green mountains. Drive towards Borjomi National Park. Take a nice walk inside the park towards the warm mineral water pool and taste local mineral sparkling water.
Drive to Bakuriani resort, 26 KM away from Borjomi town. Overnight in Bakuriani.

5 DAY | Bakuriani-Akhaltsikhe-Vardzia
Today explore Samtskhe-Javakheti region. The first visit is at Rabath fortress complex, located in the heart of Akhaltsikhe town. The complex includes: Sargis Jakeli castle of 14th c., Fortress Church (late Middle Ages), Palace 18th century and the Church of Saint Marine (1865) with built-in relief works.
Drive to 12th century Vardzia rock-cut town – a unique monument of Georgian architecture. Due to the fact that the place was often attacked by enemies Samtskhe-Javakheti served as a barrier from the neighbors. Thus, during the reign of King George III and his daughter Queen Tamar town-fortress Vardzia was built to protect the borders.
After excursion in Vardzia drive back to Bakuriani for overnight.

6 DAY | Bakuriani-Mtskheta-Tbilisi
Drive back to Tbilisi. Pass through Mtskheta town, the former capital of the East Georgia Kingdom of Iberia. Visit Svetitskhoveli Cathedral founded in 11th c. The cathedral is included in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites list.
Drive to 6th century Juani Monastery, located on the cliff, overlooking Mtskheta town and the confluence of two rivers – Aragvi and Mtkvari. Juani is translated literally as the “monastery of Cross”. This site is also included in UNESCO sites list.

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- 2 x nights-Kutaisi
- 2 x nights-Mestia
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**MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:**

**TBILISI CITY**
- Mtatsminda Park
- Tbilisi Mall & Flea Market
- Holy Trinity Cathedral
- Narikala Fortress 4th c
- Tbilisi Old Town
- Legutakhevi Waterfall
- Shardeni Street
- Sulfur Bathhouses
- Medan Square
- Gardenia Shevardnadze
- Bridge of Peace
- Georgian National Museum

**SAMTSKHE-JAVAKHETI REGION**
- Borjomi Town
- Rabath Fortress 14-18th cc
- Akhaltsikhe Town
- Vardzia Rock-Cut Town 12th c

**IMERETI REGION**
- Kutaisi City
- Bagrati Cathedral 11th c
- Prometheus Karst Caves
- Gelati Monastery 12th c
- Martvili Canyon

**KARTLI PROVINCE**
- Gori town
- Uplistsikhe Caves 1st Millennium B.C

**KHEVI REGION**
- Gudauri Ski Resort
- Ananuri Fortress 16th-17th cc
- Stephensminda Village, Kazbegi
- Gergeti Holy Trinity Church 14th c
- Dariali Gorge
- Gveleti Waterfalls

**MTSKHETA CITY**
- Svetitskhoveli Cathedral 11th c
- Juari Monastery 6th c

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**DAY TO DAY ITINERARY**

1. **DAY 1 | Arrival In Tbilisi**
   Meet at the National airport. Transfer to Tbilisi. Overnigh in Tbilisi.

2. **DAY 2 | Tbilisi-Mtskheta-Gori-Akhaltsikhe**
   Drive to Mtskheta—the old capital of Iberia Kingdom to visit two UNESCO world heritage sites: Juari Monastery 6th c and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral 11th c. Our trip continues to Gori – a small town at the center of Kartli. We are going to make a short Gori tour and visit Gori Fortress – a medieval citadel situated above the town on a hill, that offers panoramic views on Gori, lowlands of Shida Kartli region and the mountain peaks of the Greater Caucasus range to the north. From Gori we head to explore the ancient cave complex of Uplistsikhe – one of the oldest urban settlements in Georgia dated back to the 1st millennium BC, located in 15 kilometers from Gori. Covering an area of approximately 8 hectares, Uplistsikhe served as an important political, economic and religious center in pre-Christian Kartli. Today visitors can find numerous chambers, streets, walls, tunnels and halls in Uplistsikhe. In the evening we arrive in Akhaltsikhe – the major town of Samtskhe-Javakheti province, located in the Akhaltsikhe basin and the ravine of river Potskhovi. Continue to Vardzia cave town along Mtkvari river. Vardzia is an ancient 12th c. rock-hewn cave city carved into the volcanic rocks on 13 levels, linked inside by internal corridors, secret tunnels, painted chapels. The route by Kura riverside is picturesque and pleasant. Overnigh in Akhaltsikhe.
4 DAY  Gudauri–Kutaisi
Drive to Borjomi Spa where we walk in Borjomi National Park, taste sparkling mineral water from the spring and have a nice walk in the park. Continue to the western Georgia via Rikoti pass. On the way you can stop at pottery market, fruit market, see farmers selling baskets, honey, mushrooms and fruits. Arrive in Kutaisi and visit 2 UNESCO World Heritage Sites – 12th century Gelati Monastery & Academy and 11th century Bagrati Cathedral. Overnight in Kutaisi.

5 DAY  Kutaisi–Tskaltubo-Caves–Martvili Canyon
Today you explore natural karst cave Prometheus, where you find different types of stalactites, stalagmites, underground rivers, waterfalls, caves, and lakes. Next drive to the Martvili Canyon, natural attraction with canyons, caves and waterfalls. You will take a boat trip and reach the very beginning with 7 meter high powerful waterfall. Drive back to Kutaisi for overnight.

6 DAY  Kutaisi–Ananuri–Gudauri
Drive to the Caucasus Mountains, ski resort Gudauri. On the way visit 16-17th century Ananuri complex—former Aragvi duke’s residence. Arrive at ski resort Gudauri on the elevation of 2196 m. above sea level. Overnight in Gudauri.

7 DAY  Gudauri–Kazbegi–Gergeti–Dariali–Gveleti
Full day exploration of high Caucasus mountains. Reach 2395 m level on the Cross Pass, make several stops to taste mineral waters and observe waterfalls, snowy peaks of the mountains. Upward walk approximately 2.5 hours to the Mount Gergeti, enjoy the panoramic view of the surrounding mountains, visit Holy Trinity church 14th c. located under the magnificent peak Kazbegi glacier 5033 m. Continue to Dariali gorge, an important crossing point of Caucasus range. Take a walk along the river to Gveleti waterfalls and enjoy the surroundings of green valleys and picturesque landscapes. Overnight in Gudauri.

8 DAY  Gudauri–Tbilisi Tour
Drive to Tbilisi. Start evening Tbilisi tour. The tram will take you to Mtatsminda Hill, where you can visit the Pantheon of writers and public figures, next head to the National Museum of Georgia, it’s collection includes artifacts of human history and culture, rich ethnographic and archaeological collections beginning from Paleolithic era to Middle Ages.
Leisure walk down on the Rustaveli Avenue, see the Parliament of Georgia, Rustaveli Drama Theatre, an Opera and Ballet Theatre.
You may also go shopping to Tbilisi Mall. Tbilisi Mall offers a broad range of high street and internationally famous brands and is an exciting family destination experience for the tourists. Within the building there is a fruit & vegetable market, banking facilities, a multi-screen cinema and a family entertainment center. Overnight in Tbilisi.

9 DAY  Tbilisi Full Day Sightseeing
Drive to Tbilisi Sea and visit the Georgian Kings Memorial. The monument was created in 1980 and depicts various historical and religious events that took place in the country. From here you can enjoy panoramic views of Tbilisi city and learn the history of Georgian Kings, Queens and public figures.
Continue to the Gardenia Shevardnadze, an amazing little flower garden and nursery. You can relax in the cozy little café located inside the garden, enjoy the beauty and scent of blooming plants around and taste delicious home-made cakes and lemonade. Walk around the garden, next drive to Aqmashenebeli Avenue for a walking tour in the renovated ‘New Tiflis’ area. Stop at the Tbilisi Flea Market, where you will find vast assortment of antique and handmade jewelry, old military medals from World War II, Soviet style cutlery, old enamel, vintage cameras and many more.
Get in your car and drive to Baratashuli bridge. From here you will start exploring Tbilisi Old Town by foot. Pass Obaadze theatre on the way to the 6th century Anchiskhati basilica—the oldest church in the city, the Residence of the Patriarch of the Georgian Orthodox Church. Next cross the Bridge of Peace, a modern tech-style bridge leading to the Rike park. Ride up on the cable car to the 4th c. Nakhkala fortress. Enjoy the attractive views of the Old Town from the top, explore the fortress and stroll down to Legtakhevi area with its small waterfall. Continue to Abanotubani - “Sulfur Bathhouse district” and arrive on Meidan square. Leisure time on Shardeni street with its outdoor cafes, galleries and souvenirs shops. Overnight in Tbilisi.

10 DAY  Tbilisi–Airport
After breakfast check-out from the hotel and transfer to Tbilisi International airport.

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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

**Tbilisi City**
- Holy Trinity Cathedral
- Metekhi church of 13th c
- Narikala Fortress 4th c
- Legutakevi Canyon
- Sulfur bathhouses
- Shardeni street
- Meidan square
- Mtatsminda Park
- Bridge of Peace
- National Museum of Georgia
- Rustaveli Avenue
- Tbilisi Mall

**MtkskheTa City**
- Svetitskhoveli Cathedral 11th c
- Jvari Monastery 6th c

**SameGrelo Region**
- Zugdidi Town
- Dadiani Palace
- Martvili Canyon

**Svaneti Region**
- Mestia
- Ushguli Village
- Ipari and Kala Villages
- Suanetian Towers
- Margiani Family Tower
- frescos and murals in villages
- Svaneti Museum

**Adjara Province**
- Batumi city
- Batumi Boulevard and Piazza square
- Gonio Fortress
- Batumi Botanical Garden

**Samtskhe-Javakheti Region**
- Borjomi Town
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- Vardzia Rock-Cut Town 12th c

**Imereti Region**
- Kutaisi City
- Bagrati Cathedral 11th c
- Prometheus Karst Caves
- Gelati Monastery 12th c

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- Gori J. Stalin House-Museum
- Uplistsikhe Caves 1st Millennium B.C

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**DAY TO DAY ITINERARY**

1 DAY | Arrival In Tbilisi.
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2 DAY | Tbilisi-Mtskheta-Kutaisi
Drive to Mtskheta—the former capital of the Eastern Georgia (3rd c. BC-5th c. AD) visit the UNESCO historical monuments—Juan Monastery of 6th c. and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral of 11th c. Continue to Gori—the birth place of the Soviet dictator J. Stalin. The museum consists of the dictator’s personal train carriage, museum building and a small house where he was born. Next explore the antique Uplistsikhe caves, which date back to 1st millennium BC.

3 DAY | Kutaisi-Tskaltubo Caves-Martvili
Explore Prometheus Grotto—one of the most popular and largest caves with various types of stalactites, stalagmites, underground rivers, waterfalls, cave pearls, and lakes. Continue to the unique natural attractions of Georgia-Martvili Canyon. Over millions of years, Abasha river has created magnificent gorge in limestone rocks, reaching a depth of 40 meters, with canyons, caves and waterfalls. The total length of the canyon is one kilometer available to reach. You will take a boat trip and reach the very beginning with 7 meter high powerful waterfall.

4 DAY | Martvili-Enguri Dam-Mestia
Drive to Suaneti Region. Before our arrival, first stop at the Enguri dam—one of the highest arch dams in the world. Afterwards we arrive in Mestia, administrative center of Suaneti. Overnigh in Mestia.

5 DAY | Mestia
Today we will explore Suaneti located on the slopes of Caucasus Mountains, surrounded by glaciers, high peaks and roaring waterfalls. Take a tour to 12th c. Suan dwell-
Drive to the place called Green Cape, where Batumi Botanical Garden is located. The garden is unique for its combinations of species from completely different climatic zones.

Continue to the Gonio Fortress – a well-preserved Roman fortification dated back to the 1st c. AD, located 10 km from Batumi. In the evening we return to Batumi.

Depart for Borjomi spa-resort. Let’s make a short Borjomi tour, visit Borjomi National Park and taste famous local natural mineral water ‘Borjomi’ from the springs. famous since 19th c. and are exported to the world.

Drive to Tbilisi. Start Tbilisi Sightseeing. First we are going to visit the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi (Sameba), one of the tallest Orthodox Christian churches in the world. From Sameba, we move to Metekhi Plateau and Metekhi church built in the 5th century, located on the elevated cliff over the river Mtkvari and the old Tbilisi district. Next, we move to Narikala – ancient fortress overlooking Tbilisi from the mountain that can be reached by an aerial cable car from the Rike Park. From Narikala fortress we stroll down to the old city full of attractions and landmarks: National Botanical Garden of Georgia, Jumah Mosque, Legutakhevi canyon and waterfall, Abanotubani – historical sulfur bathhouse district of Tbilisi.

After breakfast we go up to Mtatsminda Park and Mtatsminda Pantheon of Writers and Public Figures. From Mtatsminda we continue to the Georgian National Museum on Rustaveli avenue. Take a walk along the Rustaveli Avenue, take a look at the buildings of the Parliament of Georgia, Rustaveli National Theater, and Georgian National Opera and Ballet Theater of Tbilisi. Visit the glass Bridge of Peace, Shardeni street and Maidan square, that are full of outdoor cafes, bars, restaurants, souvenir shops and art galleries. In the evening go shopping to the Mall – Galleria Tbilisi -one of the biggest shopping centers in Caucasus.

After breakfast check-out from the hotel and transfer to Tbilisi International airport.

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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

TBILISI CITY
- the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi
- Metekhi church
- Narikala Fortress
- Legutakhevi
- Sulfur bathhouses
- Shardeni street
- Maidan square
- Caravanserai – Tbilisi History Museum
- Bridge of Peace
- National Museum of Georgia
- Rustaveli Avenue

KHEVI REGION
- Gudauri ski resort
- Ananuri Architectural Complex
- Kazbegi
- Gergeti Trinity Church
- Danali gorge
- Gveleti waterfalls

KARTLI REGION
- Gori town
- Stalin’s house-museum
- Upistsikhe Cave Complex

SAMEGRELO REGION
- Zugdidi Town
- Dadiani Palace

SVANETI REGION
- Ushguli community
- Villages Ipari and Kala
- Mestia
- Margiani Museum
- Svaneti Museum

ADJARA PROVINCE
- Batumi city
- Batumi Boulevard & Piazza square
- Goni Fortress
- Batumi Botanical Garden

SAMTSKHE-JAVAKHETI REGION
- Borjomi spa-resort
- Borjomi-Kharagauli National Park
- Rabati Castle in Akhaltsikhe
- Khertvisi fortress
- Vardzia Cave Monastery
- lakes Sagamo
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we start the exploration of the capital of Georgia – Tbilisi. During the full day city tour we will visit the major attractions of the city. We start from the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi (Sameba), the main Christian Orthodox cathedral in Georgia. Sameba is also one of the tallest orthodox Christian churches in the world. Tour continues to Metekhi Church, built in the 13th c. and located on the bank of the river Mt’kvari, on Metekhi Plateau. From Metekhi we move to Rike Park, take an aerial cableway and ride up to the Narikala Fortress. Ancient fortress of Narikala dates back to the 4th century, and is located on a mountain overlooking Tbilisi. Throughout history Narikala served as a main fortification of the city. From Narikala we stroll down to the old districts of Tbilisi and visit several interesting sites: Legutakhevi canyon with a small river
and waterfall, natural Sulfur Bathhouse District, Shardegni street, Meidan square and the surrounding area that is full with outdoor cafes, art galleries and souvenir shops.

On day 1 we are also going to visit two museums: Tbilisi History Museum and National Museum of Georgia on Rustaveli Avenue. National museum of Georgia has vast collection that includes artifacts from different periods of human history – from Paleolithic era till the medieval times, and rich ethnographic and archaeological collections presenting Georgian history, culture and art.

3 DAY | Tbilisi – Davit Gareja – Signagi

Drive to Davit Gareja semi-desert to explore Davit Gareja Monastery in the caves of Gareja hill. Established in the 6th century, complex integrates hundreds of cave cells, living areas, churches and chapels. Part of the complex is located on the territory of Azerbaijan. From Gareja we continue our way to Kakheti – major wine-producing region of Georgia – and arrive in Signagi. Signagi is a small town located on the eastern foothills of Gombori mountain range, overlooking the valley of river Alazani and surrounded by the defensive medieval curtain walls.

4 DAY | Signagi – Tsinandali – Gremi – Telaui

Day 4 is dedicated to the exploration of Kakheti. After breakfast we drive to Bodbe monastery – originally built in 9th c. and renovated in 17th c., monastery nowadays functions as a nunnery, and is a popular pilgrimage site for the locals, as well as travelers. The monastery is closely associated with St. Nino – the Enlightener of Georgia, and her relics are buried there. From Bodbe we drive to village Velistsikhe and visit Numisi Wine Cellar Museum. Numisi is one of the oldest wine cellars in Kakheti. From Velistsikhe we head to Tsinandali and visit House Museum of Alexander Chavchavadze. Alexander Chavchavadze was Georgian nobleman, military figure of Russian Imperial army, romanticist poet and a public figure of 19th century. Nowadays, Chavchavadze’s residence, garden and wine cellar in Tsinandali operates as a museum.

After paying a visit to Tsinandali we drive to Napareuli village, located in inner Kakheti on the left bank of Alazani river. In Napareuli we are going to visit Tuins Wine Cellar Museum, where visitors can observe the whole process of making wine in transparent 500-liter pitchers: pressing, boiling, natural filtration etc.

Afterwards we drive to Gremi. Architectural monument of Gremi Royal Citadel and the Church of Archangels is a remnant of a medieval town of Gremi that functioned as the capital of Kingdom of Kakheti in the 16th–17th centuries. Nowadays complex is composed of the Church of Archangels, a three-story castle, a bell tower and a wine cellar. After sightseeing Gremi, we drive to Telaui town.

5 DAY | Telaui–Mtskheta–Ananuri–Gudauri

We leave Telaui and depart for Mtskheta. Mtskheta is a town located at the confluence of the rivers Aragvi and Mtqvari. Town served as a capital of ancient Kingdom of Iberia and is famous for two of its historical and architectural monuments: Juani Monastery and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral. Both of these monuments are recognized by the UNESCO as World Heritage Sites.

From Mtskheta sightseeing we continue our trip to the Greater Caucasus mountains. We drive on Georgian Military Highway and head to the north, towards the ski resort Gudauri. On our way we make a stop at the Ananuri Architectural Complex (16th–17th c.c.) near Zhinvali reservoir, which integrates medieval fortification with churches and local feudal’s residential buildings inside. From Ananuri we continue our way to the north and get to Gudauri (2196 m).

6 DAY | Gudauri – Kazbegi– Gergeti – Gudauri

After breakfast at the hotel we start a full-day exploration of Caucasus mountains. We travel to Kazbegi (Stepantsminda) town – the administrative center of Khevi province. On our way we make a stop at the Cross Pass (2395 m) to taste local natural mineral waters. After arrival in Kazbegi we take an easy walk (approx. 2 hours) to Mount Gergeti. Gergeti Trinity Church (14th century) is situated on top of the mountain. From there we can enjoy panoramic views of Kazbegi town and Kazbegi Glacier (5047 m).

From Gergeti we return to Kazbegi town, and head to Dandali gorge and Guleti waterfalls. In the evening return to Gudauri.

7 DAY | Gudauri-Gori-Uplistsikhe-Kutaisi

On day 7 we depart for Kartli region. After breakfast we leave Gudaun and drive to Gori – a town serving as regional capital of Shida (Inner) Kartli. We are going to visit House Museum of Joseph Stalin in Gori, as the town is the birthplace of the Soviet leader. From Gori we head to the Uplistsikhe Caves Complex, dated as early as 1st millennium BC. Comprised of different chambers, tunnels, and streets, Uplistsikhe is an ancient rock-heun town that served as an important political, economic and religious center of the region in the pre-Christian times.

From Uplistsikhe we continue our journey to the western parts of Georgia and get to Kutaisi city, administrative center of Imereti. On our way we make a few stops at the Rikoti pass and visit pottery and farmers’ markets. In the evening we arrive in Kutaisi and have excursions to two of its major historic-cultural sites: Gelati Academy and Monastery and Bagrati Cathedral. Both of these monuments were built during the Georgian Golden Age and nowadays are included in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites list.

8 DAY | Kutaisi-Zugdidi-Mestia

We are going to visit market in Kutaisi where local farmers are selling eco-friendly fruit and vegetables, as well as local Imeretian cheese. Afterwards we head to Sataplia Caves and Natural Reserve, located in about 10 km from Kutaisi. Sataplia Natural Reserve is unique for its relict deciduous forests, karst caves and well-preserved footprints of dinosaurs. From Sataplia we continue our journey to Samegrelo and drive to Zugdidi. Zugdidi is a town that serves as an administrative center of Samegrelo-Zemo Svaneti province. In Zugdidi we are going to visit Dadiani Palaces and its History and Architectural Museum. Complex comprises of two palaces, church and a botanical garden spread on 67 ha. Museum functions in the palaces of Mingrelian noble family Dadiani and houses various ethnographic, archaeological collections.

From Zugdidi we drive to the north and arrive in mountainous Svaneti province. On our way we make a stop at the Enguri Dam, one of the highest concrete arch dams in the world, constructed on the river Enguri. Afterwards we arrive in Mestia – administrative center of Svaneti.

9 DAY | Mestia-Ushguli –Mestia

Svaneti is a mountainous region surrounded by the peaks and glaciers of the Greater Caucasus mountains. Prounce has become a popular tourist attraction for its well-preserved authentic architecture and lifestyle from medieval times.
After breakfast at the hotel we drive to the Ushguli community – one of the highest continuously inhabited places in Europe. Ushguli is comprised of 4 villages and has been included in UNESCO World Heritage Sites List. On our way to Ushguli we make a few stops at the villages of Ipari and Kala and to take a look at village churches with medieval frescoes and murals.

We can also make an easy hike towards the foothills of Shkhara Glacier – the highest mountain peak in Georgia. In the evening we get back to Mestia and visit Margiani Museum. Located in an ancient Svan housing estate, Margiani Museum presents authentic Svan lifestyle and dwelling to its visitors.

10 DAY | Mestia- Batumi

We start our trip by visiting Svaneti Museum of History and Ethnography. Collection of museum includes various ethnographic and archaeological artifacts, old Georgian manuscripts, Georgian Orthodox icons painted in the Svan style etc. Afterwards we leave Svaneti and drive to the south towards Batumi – the capital of the Autonomous Republic of Adjara and second largest city of Georgia, located on the shores of the Black Sea. In the evening after arrival in Batumi we are going to make a short city tour, visit Piazza square and take a walk on the boulevards of the city.

11 DAY | Batumi- Botanical Garden-Batumi

After breakfast we head to Gonio, 10 km from Batumi, and visit Gonio Fortress – an archaeological site and historical monument, dating from 1st c. AD. Gonio was a well-fortified Roman city in Colchis in 2nd c. AD. Later it came under Byzantine rule. Afterwards we drive to the Green Cape, where Batumi Botanical Garden is located. Officially opened in 1912 and later expanded during Soviet times, Batumi Botanical Garden has a vast variety of plants and trees from different climate zones. In the evening we return back to Batumi city.

12 DAY | Batumi- Borjomi-Akhaltsikhe

On day 12 we leave Batumi and drive to Borjomi spa-resort. After arrival we take a walk in the Borjomi-Kharagauli National Park and taste famous natural mineral waters from the springs. Mineral waters of Borjomi have been famous since the early 19th c., and are exported to more than 40 countries of the world. Our trip continues to Akhaltsikhe, a historical town and administrative center of Samtskhe-Javakheti region, South Georgia.

13 DAY | Akhaltsikhe-Vardzia

Day 13 is dedicated to exploration of Akhaltsikhe and its surrounding area. First we visit Rabati Castle. The complex consists of the castle of 14th c., several churches, a mosque, synagogue, and a museum. The museum houses different manuscript, book, photo, archaeological and numismatic collections. Continue exploration of Samtskhe - Javakheti province and drive along Mtkvari river to Vardzia monastery. On our way to Vardzia we make a short stop by the ruins of ancient Khertvisi fortress. Vardzia is a medieval monastery, founded in the 12th century during the reign of Queen Tamar of Georgia. Located on the bank of river Mtkvari, complex is cut in rock and consists of multiple chambers, cave dwellings, churches and chapels situated on different floors and tiers.

14 DAY | Vardzia-Tbilisi

We depart for Tbilisi. We are going to pass through Javakheti volcanic plateau and make a few stops at the alpine lakes of Sagamo and Paravani, as well as the largest artificial lake of Georgia – Tsalka reservoir. In the evening we arrive in Tbilisi.

15 DAY | Tbilisi

Breakfast and check-out from the hotel. Transfer to the Tbilisi International Airport.
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Main highlights & sites:

**Tbilisi City**
- Tbilisi city
- Holy Trinity Cathedral
- Metekhi church of 13th c
- Narikala Fortress 4th century AD
- Legutakhevi
- Shardeni street
- Medan square
- Bridge of Peace
- National Museum of Georgia
- Rustavel Avenue
- Gardenia Shevardnadze
- Mtatsminda park & Tbilisi funicular

**Samtskhe-Javakheti Region**
- Borjomi spa-resort
- Borjomi National Park
- Rabati fortress in Akhaltsikhe
- KhertuSSI fortress of 10th
- Vardzia caves town
- Lakes Sagamo
- Paravani and Tsalka

**Imereti Region**
- Kutaisi City
- Bagrati Cathedral 11th c
- Gelati Monastery 12th c
- Prometheus grotto
- Martuli Canyons

**Kakheti Region**
- Shumi winery
- Museum of Al. Chavchavadze
- Gremi Royal Residence 16-17th CC

**Mtskheta City**
- Svetitskhoveli Cathedral 11th c
- Jvari Monastery 6th c
- Chardakhi family winery

**Kartli Province**
- Uplistsikhe caves 1st Millennium BC

**Nature & Cultural 10 Days**

10 days Nature & Culture Tour to Georgia is a special itinerary designed to experience this country in different ways. Meet local people to truly feel the spirit of Georgia, taste delicious dishes from various regions, participate in making lunches and learn how to cook famous Georgian dish - Khinkali. Short hiking experience in Borjomi-Kharagauli National Park, enjoy the natural beauties of Martuli Canyon and Prometheus grotto. Finally, explore the wine region and sample some of the best Georgian Qvevri and European wines.

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**Day to Day Itinerary**

1 **Day** | Arrival - Tbilisi
Arrival at Tbilisi Airport. Transfer to the hotel. Free time.

2 **Day** | Tbilisi city tour
Start a full-day Tbilisi city sightseeing tour. First site is the Holy Trinity Cathedral – major cathedral of the Georgian Church. From Sameba we continue Tbilisi sightseeing tour to Narikala Fortress. Take an aerial cable car from Rike Park and ride up to the fortress that is situated on the mountain overlooking Tbilisi. Narikala is an ancient fortification that was established in the 4th c. Stroll down towards the old Tbilisi and visit various interesting areas, such as Legutakhevi canyon and waterfall, and sulfur bathhouse district. Our tour continues to the Georgian National Museum on Rustaveli avenue. Museum unifies several leading Georgian museums and houses numerous unique collections and exhibitions that represent history, culture and art of the country. Next we drive to Gardenia Shevardnadze, flower garden and plant nursery with a little café inside, where we can taste home-made cakes and lemonade. Afterwards we ride up to Mount Mtatsminda (770 m) and Park by the funicular, which is overlooking the city. The final activity of the day is the dinner at a Georgian restaurant accompanied by folk show.

3 **Day** | Tbilisi-Mtskheta-Borjomi
We head to Mtskheta, a small town near we are going to visit two major attractions: Juari Monastery and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral. Juari Monastery built in 586-605 AD, stands on a mountain above the confluence of the rivers Mukvari and Aragvi, overlooking Mtskheta and its surroundings. On the other hand, Svetitskhoveli Cathedral that was built in the 11th century and is still second largest church in the country, is situated on the lowland in Mtskheta town. Both of the monuments represent Georgian church architecture style and are recognized by the UNESCO as world heritage sites. From Mtskheta we drive to Borjomi town. Borjomi is a resort famous for its Borjomi-Kharagauli National Park.
and natural sparkling mineral water ‘Borjomi’. On a short Borjomi tour we can take walk in Borjomi Park and taste mineral waters from the spring.

**4 DAY** | Borjomi – Akhaltsikhе – Vardzia–Borjomi

Drive to Akhaltsikhе, the center of Javakheti, southern region of Georgia. First stop is at Rabatı Castle. The Castle is a medieval complex that comprises of fortress and an area inside the curtain walls with several churches, mosque, museum and synagouge. Fortress was originally established in the 9th ¨ century, however, it was rebuilt and restructured during the Ottomans 18th ¨. We are going to visit Valadia Zazadзе’s Cottages and Farm and have a lunch with fresh trout barbeque. Afterwards we continue exploration of Santskhe-Java­kheti and drive to Vardzia Cave Monastery passing through the picturesque scenery of Mtkvari gorge. Vardzia is a medi­eval monastic complex carved in rocks of the Erusheti mountain range. It was built during the Georgian Golden Era by the Queen Tamar of Georgia, in the 12th-13th centuries. Vardzia consists of numerous differ­ent cave dwellings, chambers, tunnels, churches and chapels. In the evening drive back to Borjomi.

**5 DAY** | Borjomi–Kharagauli National Park “Info trail”

Drive to the Borjomi-Kharagauli National Park and get registered as a visitor. Borjomi-Kharagauli National Park is one of the largest protected areas in the region with We can have a short hike through the National Park Information trail that starts from the administration building (850 m). The highest peak of the 1.5-hour route is 950 meters above the sea level. Enjoy hiking and head back to your hotel.

**6 DAY** | Borjomi–Prometheus Caves–Kutaisi

Continue our journey to the Imereti region. We are heading to the Prometheus Cave – one of the largest karst caves in Georgia and one of the popular attractions of Imereti. Prometheus Cave has 1.5 km long trail open for visitors that are willing to observe various underground karst forms, rivers, lakes, cave pearls etc. From Prometheus we drive to Kutaisi – the major city of Imereti and third largest city of the country. Next, we are going to visit Bagrati Cathedral. Built in the 11th century, cathedral represents medieval Georgian church architecture style and is situated in the middle of the city on Ukimerioni Hill. Bagrati Cathedral is recognized by the UNESCO as a World Heritage Sites and it is considered as a symbol of Kutaisi city.

**7 DAY** | Kutaisi–Gelati–Martuili–Kutaisi

Sightseeing of the Imereti region. After breakfast we move to the Gelati Academy and Monastery located near Kutaisi. (12th ¨). Gelati complex was built in the 12th century by the most prominent king of Georgian history David IV the Builder. The interior of the main church has well-preserved unique frescos and mosaics. The site is included in UNESCO World Heritage list as well. From Gelati we drive to Martuili Canyon Natural Monument. Martuili canyon is a gorge created in limestone rock by the waters of river Abasha, which goes as deep as 40 meters. Visitors can take a boat trip on river Abasha in the canyon. Drive back to Kutaisi.

**8 DAY** | Kutaisi–Uplistsikhe–Tbilisi

Depart for Tbilisi. On our way we stop at Uplistsikhe Cave Complex located on the left bank of river Mtkvari. Dating back to 1st millennium BC. Uplistsikhe is a rock­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­…
AZERBAIJAN-GEORGIA-ARMENIA | 21 DAYS

Private special tour, escorted long journey for individuals and families.

This special, 21-days itinerary is designed to explore 3 countries of South Caucasus – Azerbaijan, Georgia and Armenia. Trip starts in Baku, the capital city of Azerbaijan, located on the Absheron Peninsula. From Baku tour travels to the north-west, visiting some of the major landmarks and historical monuments of the country and continues to Georgia. Tour in Georgia covers traditional wine-making region Kakheti, capital city Tbilisi, Khevi province located in the Greater Caucasus mountains, and natural and historical monuments of Imereti and Kartli regions. From Georgia trip continues to Armenia – to the historic-cultural monuments of Yerevan, largest city and the capital of the country, and its surroundings, as well as the provinces of Ararat, Vayots Dzor, Syunik, TAoush and Lori.

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**MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:**

**GEORGIA**

**KAKHETI REGION**
- Kvareli wine cellar
- Telavi
- House Museum of Alexander Chaukhazade in Tsinandali
- Shumi winery
- Signagi

**TBILISI CITY**
- Holy Trinity Cathedral
- Metekhi Church
- Nankala Fortress
- Legutakhevi
- sulfur Bathhouse District
- Shardeni street
- Maidan square
- Georgian National Museum
- Rustaveli Avenue
- Tbilisi funicular
- Mount Mtatsminda
- Mtatsminda Park

**MTSKHETA**
- Jvari Monastery
- Svetitskhoveli Cathedral
- Family winery in Chardaki

**KHEVI REGION**
- Ananuri Architectural Complex
- Gudauri ski resort
- Cross Pass
- Kazbegi
- Mount Gergeti
- Gergeti Trinity Church
- Darioli gorge
- Gueleti waterfalls

**KARTLI REGION**
- Gori town
- Museum of Joseph Stalin
- Uplistsikhe Cave Complex

**IMERETI REGION**
- Gelati Academy and
- Monastery
- Bagrati Cathedral
- Martvili Canyon
- Prometheus Cave

**ARMENIA**

**VAGHARSHAPAT:**
- Etchmiadzin Cathedral
- Zvartnots Cathedral

**YEREVAN & ITS SURROUNDINGS:**
- Republic Square
- History Museum of Armenia
- Matenadaran Manuscript Museum
- Yerevan Cascade
- Armenian brandy factory “Ararat”
- Megerian Carpet Museum
- The Temple of Garni
- Hovuts Tar Monastery
- Geghard Monastery
- Lake Sevan
- Sevanavank
- Khor Virap monastery
- Areni village
- Noravank Monastery
- Orbelian’s (Selim) Caravanserai
- Tawush and Lori provinces
- Sharambeyan street in Old Dilijan
- Sanahin Monastery
- Haghpat Monastery
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- Zorats Karer (Karahunj)
- Tatev Monastery
- Wings of Tatev

**AZERBAIJAN**

**BAKU CITY AND ITS SURROUNDINGS:**
- “Icheri Sheher”
- Palace of the Shirvanshahs
- Old Caravanserai and Bathhouse
- Maiden Tower
- Mountain Park and Baku Bay
- Gobustan State Reserve
- Yanar Dag
- Baku Ateshgah
- Ramana Tovser
- Gala State Historical Ethnographic Reserve

**QUBA AND GOBSTAN:**
- Besh Barmag
- Juma Mosque
- Khasavjul village
- Krasnaya Sloboda
- Mausoleum of Sheikh Diri Baba

**SHAMAKHI TOWN:**
- Juma Mosque of Shamakhi
- Ismailli village

**SHEKI TOWN:**
- Sheki fortress
- Sheki Museum of History
- Palace of Shaki Khans
- Village Kish
- Church of Kish

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DAY 1 | Arrival in Baku
Arrive in Baku. Transfer to the hotel and check-in. Free time.

DAY 2 | Baku
Georgian Holidays will organize a pick up from the hotel and we start a full-day Baku sightseeing tour. First, we are going to visit Mountain Park with panoramic views over the city and the Baku Bay. After taking a walk in the alley we drive towards the old city of Baku – Icheri Sheher, and visit the following sites: Palace of the Shirvanshahs, old caravanserais and bathhouse, medieval mosques, art shops, and finally – Maiden tower. 12th-century monument that is recognized by the UNESCO as one of the World Heritage Sites.

DAY 3 | Baku-Gobustan – Yanar Dag–Baku
After breakfast from Baku we drive to Gobustan State Reserve. Gobustan is well-known for its archeological monuments – rock petroglyphs, and mud volcanoes. There are more than 6,000 prehistoric carvings protected monuments – rock petroglyphs, and mud volcanoes. Reserve. Gobustan is well-known for its archeological show. Dinner in a traditional restaurant accompanied with a folk fire which blazes continuously on the rocks. In the evening we return back to Baku city and have dinner in a traditional restaurant accompanied with a folk show.

DAY 4 | Baku – Quba – Khinalug – Baku
On day 4 we drive to Quba town, 170 km north from Baku. On our way we will make a stop at Besh Barmag in Sazan district – a mountain of solid rock, famous for its medieval stories and popular site visited by the pilgrims. Afterwards, we arrive in Quba and make a short sightseeing tour of the town. We are going to visit Juma Mosque built in the 19th century, famous Caucasian Jewish quarter – Krasnaya Sloboda (Oirnizi Qasaba), and old bathhouses. We are going to have a lunch at local family and drive to Khinalug – an ancient village high up in the mountains with well-preserved architecture and lifestyle that goes back to the Caucasian Albanian period. From Khinalug we drive back to Baku.

DAY 5 | Baku-Ateshgah – Ramana–Gala–Baku
Today we are going to visit historical and architectural monuments in Baku surrounding area. After breakfast we take off for the Baku Ateshagah – Temple of Eternal Fire – a religious temple in Surakhani town, a suburb of Baku. Ateshagah of Baku is a castle-like Zoroastrian place of worship. Next we head to the Ramana Tower dated back to the 12th century and located in village Ramana, near Baku. Tower was used during the reign of Shirvanshahs as a defensive structure. From Ramana we drive to the Gala State Historical Ethnographic Reserve – the last site we are going to visit on day 5. Total area of 1.5 ha of the reserve comprises of several open-air and partially open-air museums of archaeology, ethnography, antiques etc. In the evening we return to Baku.

DAY 6 | Baku–Gobustan–Shamakhi–Kish–Sheki
After breakfast at the hotel, we drive to the north-west – towards the town of Sheki. Located on the southern slopes of the Caucasus mountains. We are going to make stops along the way to visit several interesting historical monuments. First stop is at Gobustan town, where we are going to visit 15th century mausoleum of Sheikh Din-Baba. Next, we arrive to the Shamakhi, the old capital of Shamakhi rayon that served as a capital of Shirvan under the Safavid Empire from 16th till 18th century. After visiting historical sites of Shamakhi, such as the 8th century Juma Mosque, we drive to Ismailli district where we are going to have a lunch at a local family. At Ismailli village. Afterwards, we continue our trip towards Sheki, and get to Kish – a small mountaneous village 5 km from Sheki town, famous for its landscapes and the christian church. The existing building of the church is dated back to the 12th century, however, it stands on a much older cultic site. From Kish we arrive in Sheki for overnight.

DAY 7 | Sheki–Lagodekhi–Kuareli–Telavi
We make a sightseeing tour of the town Sheki. Sheki is one of the most ancient towns of the region as archaeologists have found traces of large-scale settlements dating back to the 7th century BC there. In Sheki we are going to visit Sheki fortress, Sheki Museum of History, and the Palace of Shaki Khans. On day 7 we are going to leave Sheki and continue our tour in Georgia. We drive to Azerbaijan–Georgia border at near Lagodekhi town, cross the border and arrive in Kuareli town. Kuareli is located in the traditional wine-making region of Kakheti, east Georgia. In Kuareli we will pay a visit to Khareba Wine Cellar, located in the tunnels on the flank of the Caucasus mountains, and taste different local wines. The temperature in the tunnel of Khareba winery stays ideally at 12-14°C throughout the whole year. Wine cellar consists of two main tunnels with total length of 7.7 km. From Kuareli we continue our journey to town Telavi – administrative center of Kakheti region.

DAY 8 | Telavi–Tsinandali–Signagi–Tbilisi
From Telavi we depart to the village of Tsinandali, and visit House Museum of Aleksandre Chaukhaudzve. Aleksandre Chaukhaudze was a well-known 18th-century Georgian aristocrat, military figure and poet. Nowadays Chaukhaudze’s residence, garden and a wine-cellar is turned into museum and attract lots of visitors. From the museum we drive to Shumi winery and the wine museum “Vazioni”, where visitors can taste local wine and snacks. Our next stop is at Signagi – located on the south-eastern slopes of Gombori mountain range. Town is located on elevated hills, overlooking valley of the river Alazani and is surrounded by the medieval curtain walls. Located in the center of the town, Signagi museum has some interesting archaeological and ethnographic collections. After sightseeing Signagi, we leave Kakheti and drive to Tbilisi – largest city and the capital of Georgia.

DAY 9 | Tbilisi City Tour
Day 9 is dedicated to the exploration of Tbilisi. During the full-day city tour we visit all major attractions of the city. After breakfast we start from the Holy Trinity Cathedral (Sameba) – the main Christian Orthodox church in Georgia and one of the tallest orthodox churches in the world. From Sameba we get to the Metekhi church located at the bank of Mtkvari river on an elevated plateau of Metekhi. From the Pike Park, that is located nearby, we can take a cable car and ride up to Narikala Fortress. Narikala is an ancient fortress overlooking Tbilisi, which dates back to the 4th century AD. From the mountain we stroll down to Legvtakhevi church and take a walk in the old Tbilisi. We are going to visit sulphur bathhouse district, Shardeni street and Meidan square with its outdoor cafes, galleries and souvenirs shops, and continue to the Georgian National Museum on the Rustaveli Avenue. The museum collection includes artifacts of natural and human history, housed in different archaeological, ethnographic and art collections from Paleolithic era to the medieval and modern times. In the evening we are going to take a funicular and visit Mtatsminda (‘holy mountain’) and Mtatsminda Park situated on top of it.

DAY 10 | Tbilisi–Mtkskheta–Ananuri–Gudauri
We drive north, to the capital of early Georgian kingdoms – Mtskheta – to sightsee two UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Jvari Monastery and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral. Both of
these monuments represent authentic styles of Georgian church architecture. From Mtskheta, we continue our way to the north, towards the ski resort Gudauri. We are going to make several stops before we get to Gudauri. First, we arrive at small village Chardakhi near Mtskheta. Here, we are going to visit local family house and have traditional lunch and wine-tasting. From Chardakhi we get to Ananuri Architectural Complex near Zhinvali reservoir. Ananuri was a residence of the local feudals in the middle ages. Complex consists of the fortification and the two churches inside the curtain walls that are well-preserved. From Ananuri we continue our way to the north, towards the Greater Caucasus mountain range, and eventually arrive at Gudauri ski-resort, situated at an elevation of 2196 meters.

11 DAY | Gudauri–Kazbegi–Gergeti–Gudauri
After breakfast at the hotel we start a full-day exploration of the Greater Caucasus mountains. From Gudauri we drive to Kazbegi (Stephantsminda) town – the administrative center of Khevi province. On our way we make a stop at the Cross Pass (2395 m) where we can taste local natural mineral waters and observe snowy peaks of the Caucasus mountains. After arrival in Kazbegi we make an easy hike (approx. 2 hours) to the Mount Gergeti. Gergeti Trinity Church built in the 14th century, stands on top of the mountain. From Gergeti we can enjoy panoramic views over the Kazbegi town and Kazbegi Glacier (5047 m) as well. From Gergeti we return to Kazbegi town, head to the Dariali gorge and Gveleti waterfalls where we can make few stops. In the evening return to Gudauri.

12 DAY | Gudauri–Gori–Uplistsikhe–Kutaisi
We leave Khevi and drive to the Kartli region. After breakfast we leave for Gori town, serving as the administrative center of Shida (Inner) Kartli. In Gori, we are going to visit House Museum of Joseph Stalin. Museum presents the memorial house of the Soviet leader, Stalin’s personal room and belongings, as well as various items connected to him. From Gori we head to the Uplistsikhe Cave Complex. Uplistsikhe, an ancient rock-hewn town that served as an important political, economic and religious center of the region in the pre-Christian times, is dated as early as 1st millennium BC and consists of different chambers, tunnels, “districts” and “streets”. From the cave town of Uplistsikhe we continue our trip to the west Georgia and arrive in Kutaisi city, administrative center of Imereti region. On our way we make couple of stops at the Rikoti pass (996 m) to visit pottery and formshka. In the evening we get to Kutaisi and have excursions to two of its major historical and architectural monuments: Gelati Academy and Monastery (established in the 12th c.) and Bagrati Cathedral (built in the 11th c.). Both of these monuments belong to the Georgian Golden Age and are included in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites list.

13 DAY | Kutaisi–Prometheus–Martuli–Tbilisi
We explore surrounding area of Kutaisi city and natural monuments of Imereti and Samegrelo regions. After breakfast we drive to the natural monument of Prometheus Cave. Prometheus Cave is a natural karst cave in about 20 km from Kutaisi. It is one of the most popular attractions of the region. Prometheus Cave has in total 22 halls while 6 of which are open for visitors. From Prometheus we drive to Martuli to visit another natural wonder – Martuli Canyon, created by the flow of the river Abasha in Samegrelo-Zemo Svaneti province. Canyon is 2.5 km long, 20-30 meters in depth and 5-10 meters in width. Visitors can take a boat trip on river Abasha and observe the canyon. From Martuli we depart for Tbilisi.

14 DAY | Tbilisi–Sanahin–Haghpat–Yerevan
we depart for Georgia-Armenia border crossing point at Sadakhlo. We are going to meet Armenian guide and driver, and continue journey in Armenia. First, we are going to drive to Alaverdi town, Lori province, and visit two Armenian monuments from the Middle Ages: the monasteries of Sanahin and Haghpat that are separated by a deep crack formed by a river. Built in the 10th century, both of these monasteries are recognized as World Heritage Sites by UNESCO.

We are going to have a dinner at the traditional restaurant with Armenian folk music in Yerevan. After excursion in the Lori region, we head to Yerevan – the largest city and capital of Armenia. In the evening we are going to have a dinner at the traditional restaurant with folk music in Yerevan.

15 DAY | Yerevan City Tour
Day 8 is dedicated to a full-day exploration of the city of Yerevan. We are going to cover the main highlights of the capital of Armenia. The list includes the Republic Square, Mashtots Avenue, Yerevan Cascade park, Armenian National Academic Theatre of Opera and Ballet, and Meghenian Carpet Factory, where we can observe and participate in the weaving process of the traditional Armenian rug. After having lunch at the restaurant near the factory, we drive to the Manuscript museum of Matenadaran. The official name of the museum is the Mesrop Mashtots Institute of Ancient Manuscripts, and it houses more than 20,000 ancient manuscripts and scrolls, and over all about 500,000 various types of documents. Collection of Matenadaran includes manuscripts from different historical periods – from antiquity till modern times – that cover various subjects, such as religion, theology, history, mathematics, geography, medicine, alchemy, music etc.

The final attraction of the day is the History Museum of Armenia, which has national collection of 400,000 different artifacts under the departments of archaeology, numismatics, ethnography, modern history and restoration.

16 DAY | Yerevan–Zvartnots–Etchmiadzin–Yerevan
we drive towards the town of Vagharshapat, located in about 20 kilometers from Yerevan. We are going to pay a visit to some of the major historical monuments of Armenia – Zvartnots Cathedral and Etchmiadzin Cathedral, located in the surroundings of Vagharshapat. Etchmiadzin Cathedral is considered as a center and symbol of Armenian Apostolic Church. Established in the 4th century, Etchmiadzin is the first cathedral built in the Ancient Armenia. We are going to visit a small museum at the cathedral as well. Zvartnots Cathedral is another monument located near Vagharshapat. Built in the 7th century, cathedral was destroyed in the middle ages. Its ruins have been excavated and reconstructed recently.
Both of these monuments are included in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites list. Afterwards we return to Yerevan and visit the factory of traditional Armenian brandy – “Ararat”, and its museum.

17 DAY | Yerevan–Garni–Geghard–Yerevan

After breakfast we start sightseeing in the Yerevan city surrounding area. First we drive to the Temple of Garni. Garni is the only colonnaded Greco-Roman building in both Armenia and the whole region. It is estimated that the pagan temple of Garni was constructed in the first century AD. Temple was destroyed by the strong earthquake in the 17th century. Temple was reconstructed later. Afterwards we are going to visit a local house where we can participate in the preparation of Armenian traditional bread – “lavaash”, which is usually cooked in a ground oven called “tonir”. In 2015 it has been inscribed by the UNESCO in the intangible heritage list. From Garni we can visit two other monuments nearby: Hovhannavank Monastery – Hovhannavank complex represents ruins of a walled monastery, built in the 11th–13th centuries. Geghard Monastery is another World Heritage Site, located in the gorge of the river Azat. In the evening we return to Yerevan and visit market “Gum”, where it is possible to purchase various local Armenian flavors.

18 DAY | Yerevan–Khor Virap–Noravank–Goris

Today we depart for the south provinces of the country. We start our excursion in the Ararat province and visit Khor Virap monastery located on the Ararat plains. Khor Virap was initially constructed in the 7th century. From the monastery visitors can enjoy panoramic views on Mount Ararat, iconic mountain considered as a national symbol of Armenia. From Khor Virap we drive to Vayots Dzor province and arrive at village Areni, famous for its wine-making tradition. Here, we are going to visit the wine factory and have a degustation, as well as a traditional lunch and Armenian barbeque at the local house. From Areni we drive to Noravank monastery, located near the town of Yeghegnadzor. Constructed in the 13th century, monastery is located in a narrow gorge of the Amaghu river, surrounded by red cliffs. The last highlight of the day is Zorats Karer. Zorats Karer, or shortly Karahunj, is a prehistoric archaeological site that is often referred as the “Armenian Stonehenge”. Some archaeologists and historians raise a claim that this megalithic complex might have served as an ancient astronomical observatory. Afterwards we leave Karahunj and drive to the small town of Goris, in Syunik province.

19 DAY | Goris–Tateu–Selim–Sevan–Dilijan

On day 19 we head to Tateu, a 9th century monastic complex located on a large basalt plateau in Syunik province. Tateu became an extremely popular tourist attraction because of Wings of Tateu – a 5.7 km long aerial cableway between the monastery and village Halidzor, the longest reversible cableway in the world. From Tateu we head towards the north, to the lake Sevan. On our way we make a stop at Orbelian’s (Selim) caravansera, built in the 14th century on Vardenyats mountain pass at an elevation of 2410 meters. Afterwards we continue our way to Sevan – one of the largest freshwater high-altitude lakes in the world. We are going to visit Sevanavank Monastery that was built in the 9th century, and which is situated on a peninsula in Sevan (formerly an island). From Sevan we continue our way to the north and arrive in Dilijan town, Tavush province.

20 DAY | Dilijan – Sadakhlo–Tbilisi

Today is the last day of our tour in Armenia. After breakfast we are going to have Dilijan sightseeing tour. Dilijan is a spa town in Tavush province with interesting historical districts. We will take a walk along the Sharambeyan street – some of the oldest streets of the town full of handicraft and souvenir stores and historical buildings. After a short sightseeing tour around Dilijan, we head to Georgia-Armenia border at Sadakhlo, meet the Georgian staff and drive to Tbilisi. After arrival, in the evening we are going to have a farewell dinner at the Georgian restaurant accompanied with a traditional folk show.

21 DAY | Tbilisi – Tbilisi International Airport

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to Tbilisi International Airport and departure. End of service.

INCLUDES:

- 4* Accommodation, all transfers, excursions & entrance fees, Professional guide & driver service during the tour
- Comfortable vehicle service all days
- 5 x nights–Baku
- 1 x night–Sheki
- 4 x nights–Tbilisi
- 2 x nights–Gudauri
- 1 x night–Kutaisi
- 4 x nights–Yerevan
- 1 x night–Goris
- 1 x night–Dilijan
- 20 x Breakfasts-on days 2-21
- 3 x buffet dinners at the hotel – days 7, 10, 11
- Lunch in Local family in Cuba
- Lunch in Local family in Ismailli
- Lunch at Megerian Carpet Factory in Yerevan
- Lunch & Barbeque party at a local family in Areni village
- 3 dinners with folk show in national restaurants in each country
- Azerbaijan Kebab cooking master class in Gala village
- Armenian Lavaash cooking master class at local family
- Georgian wine tasting in Kureli winery
- Georgian wine-tasting in Shumi winery
- Armenian wine-tasting in Areni wine factory
- Armenian brandy tasting in Ararat factory in Yerevan
- Water (2 x bottles per person daily)
- Excursions in accordance with the program
- Entrance fees in accordance with the program
- All local taxes
GEORGIA & ARMENIA | 14 DAYS
Private special tour, escorted long journey for individuals and families

This 14-day itinerary travels through the two countries of the South Caucasus region – Georgia and Armenia. Trip starts in the capital of Georgia – Tbilisi, and continues to different parts of the country, such as the high mountainous Khevi province in the Greater Caucasus mountains, traditional wine-making region of Kakheti, and natural wonders of Imereti and Samegrelo. Afterwards, tour departs for Armenia, and explores the capital city Yerevan, as well as various unique historical and cultural monuments in the provinces of Ararat, Tavush, Lori, Syunik and Vayots Dzor. In addition to the sightseeing, tour includes two dinners in the restaurants of Tbilisi and Yerevan accompanied with traditional folk performances that will enhance the experience of travelers and introduce the culture and traditions of the two countries to them from yet another angle. Travelers both in Georgia and Armenia will be accompanied by professional and experienced driver and guide.

MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

GEORGIA

TBILISI CITY
- Holy Trinity Cathedral
- Metekhi church
- Narikala Fortress
- Legutakhevi
- Sulfur Bathhouse District
- Shardeni street
- Maidan square
- Georgian National Museum
- Rustaveli Avenue
- Tbilisi funicular
- Mount Mtatsminda
- Mtatsminda Park

KHEVI REGION
- Ananuri Architectural Comple
- Gudaun ski resort
- Cross Pass
- Kazbegi town
- Mount Gergeti
- Gergeti Trinity Church
- Dariali gorge
- Gueleti waterfalls

MTSKHETA CITY
- Svetitskhoveli Cathedral
- Jvari Monastery

KARTLI REGION
- Gori town
- House Museum of Joseph Stalin
- Uplistsikhe Cave Complex

IMERETI REGION
- Gelati Academy and Monastery
- Bagrati Cathedral
- Prometheus Cave

SAMEGRELO REGION:
- Martuli Canyon

ARMENIA

VAGHARSHAPAT:
- Etchmiadzin Cathedral
- Zvartnots Cathedral

YEREVAN & ITS SURROUNDINGS:
- Republic Square
- Yerevan History Museum
- Matenadaran Manuscript Museum
- Yerevan Cascade
- Ararat’ brandy factory
- Megerian Carpet Museum
- the Temple of Garni
- Havuts Tar Monastery
- Geghard Monastery
- Sevan Lake
- Sevanavank

ARARAT PROVINCE:
- Khor Virap monastery

VAYOTS DZOR PROVINCE:
- Areni village
- Noravank Monastery
- Orbelian’s (Selim) Caravanserai

TAVUSH AND LORI PROVINCES:
- Old Dilijan
- Sanahin Monastery
- Haghpat Monastery

SYUNIK PROVINCE:
- Zorats Karer (Karahunj)
- Tateu Monastery
- Wings of Tateu

DAILY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Tbilisi International Airport – Tbilisi
Arrival in Tbilisi International Airport. Transfer from the airport to the hotel.

2 DAY | Tbilisi City Tour
Our journey takes off in Tbilisi. On day 2 we are going to have Tbilisi city sightseeing tour and visit major attractions of the capital of Georgia. First, we will visit the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi (Sameba) – the major cathedral of the Georgian Orthodox Church and one of the tallest

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ones in the world. Next, we move to Metekhi church built in the 13th century, located in the old Tbilisi on the bank of river Mtkvari. From this area, we can take a cable car and fly to Mtatsminda (Mt. Mtatsminda) Fortress, perched on the mountain overlooking Tbilisi. From Nankhala we stroll down to the old districts of Tbilisi and walk through many interesting areas: Lagutakehi canyon and waterfall, Sulfur Bathhouse District, Shardeni street, Maidan Square, and continue on Rustaveli avenue towards the Georgian National Museum. Museum houses unique collections and exhibitions that represent Georgian history, culture and art, as well as prehistoric periods. Afterwards, we take a funicular, ride up to Mount Mtatsminda and take a walk in Mtatsminda Park.

**DAY 3 | Tbilisi – Mtskheta – Ananuri – Gudauri**

We leave Tbilisi and move to Mtskheta – ancient capital of early Georgian Kingdom of Iberia. Mtskheta is famous for two of its monuments: Jvari Monastery, built in the 6th c., and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral, dated back to the 11th c. Both of these monuments are recognized by the UNESCO as part of the world heritage. From Mtskheta we continue our way towards the north and get to Ananuri, located near Zhinvali reservoir, raione of river Aragvi. Medieval Ananuri Architectural Complex comprises of residential building of the local feudalts – Aragvi Enistavi, churches and fortress wall. From Ananuri we continue driving towards the Greater Caucasus mountain range and get to the ski-resort Gudauri, located at an elevation of 2196 meters above sea level.

**DAY 4 | Gudauri–Kazbegi–Gergeti–Gudauri**

Day 4 is dedicated to the exploration of the Caucasus mountain. After breakfast we drive to Kazbegi town, administrative center of Khevi province. On the way we drive through Cross Pass (2395 m) and make a few stops to taste natural mineral waters. After arrival in Kazbegi we get to Mount Gergeti and visit Gergeti Trinity Church built in the 14th c. Church is located on the top of Mount Gergeti overlooking Kazbegi town and, at the same time, situated under the Kazbegi Glacier (5047 m). Finally, we drive to explore Dariali Gorge – gorge of river Terek to make a few stops above the sea level.

**DAY 5 | Gudauri – Gori – Uplistsikhe – Kutaisi**

After breakfast we depart from Gudauri. First we stop at Gori town and visit the museum of Joseph Stalin. Museum consists of Stalin’s memorial house, exposition building with tower and personal room with belongings. From Gori we drive to Uplistsikhe Cave Complex, located in 15 kilometers from Gori and dated back to the 1st millennium BC. Uplistsikhe is an ancient caue town that served as an important political, economic and religious center of the region in the pre-Christian times. Located on the left bank of river Mtkvari, Uplistsikhe complex is completely cut in rock and consists of numerous chambers, caves, tunnels, streets and walls. After an excursion in Uplistsikhe we drive to the west towards the Imereti region and get to Kutaisi – third largest city of Georgia and administrative center of Imereti. On Kutaisi sightseeing tour we are going to visit two major monuments: Gelati Academy and Monastery (dated from the 12th c.) and Bagrati Cathedral (dated from the 11th c.). Both monuments belong to the mediavel Georgian Golden Age and are recognized by the UNESCO as World Heritage Sites.

**DAY 6 | Kutaisi–Prometheus–Martuli –Tbilisi**

We are going to sightsee natural wonders of Imereti and Samegrelo. After breakfast we head to Prometheus Cave – natural karst cave located in 20 kilometers from the city. Prometheus is one of the most popular tourist attractions of Imereti and has 15 km (out of total 11 km) trail open for visitors. From Prometheus we move to another unique natural attraction – Martuli Canyon. Martuli Canyon is located in Samegrelo-Zemo Svaneti province. 2.5 km long canyon is 20-30 meters deep and 5-10 meters wide. It is created by the flow of the river Abasha where visitors can take a boat trip. In the evening we return back to Tbilisi for overnight.

**DAY 7 | Tbilisi–Sadakhlo–Sanahin–Yerevan**

After breakfast we leave Tbilisi and head to the south – to Armenia. We drive to Georgia–Armenia border crossing at Sadakhlo, cross the border, meet the Armenian staff and proceed with the journey on Armenian territory.

First, we drive to Alauerdi, Lori region, and visit two major historical monuments of the province monasteries of Sanahin and Haghpat. Both of these monasteries were founded in the 10th century and are placed on the UNESCO World Heritage Sites list. Sanahin and Haghpat are located on a plateau, separated by a deep gorge formed by a river. In the evening we leave Lori and drive to Yerevan. We are going to have a dinner at the traditional restaurant with Armenian folk music in Yerevan.

**DAY 8 | Yerevan City Tour**

Day 8 is dedicated to a full day exploration of the capital of Armenia – Yerevan. We are going to visit main highlights of the city: Republic Square, Mashtots Avenue, Armenian National Academic Theatre of Opera and Ballet, Yerevan Cascade park, and continue to the Megerian Carpet Factory, where visitors can observe and take part in the traditional Armenian rug weaving process.

After the lunch on spot, we move to Matenadaran, officially – the Mesrop Mashtots Institute of Ancient Manuscripts. Manuscript museum of Matenadaran houses over 20,000 manuscripts and scrolls, and overall more than 500,000 documents. Manuscripts from different historical periods – from antiquity till modern times – cover various subjects: such as religion, theology, history, mathematics, geography, medicine, alchemy, music etc.

**DAY 9 | Yerevan–Zvartnots–Etchmiadzin–Yerevan**

Today we drive towards Vagharshapat – a town located in 20 kilometers from Yerevan. We are going to pay a visit to some of the most important historic-cultural monuments of Armenia – Zvartnots and Etchmiadzin Cathedral. Established in the 4th century, Etchmiadzin Cathedral is the center and symbol of Armenian Apostolic Church and the first cathedrals built in the Ancient Armenia. Both of these monuments are listed on UNESCO World Heritage Sites List. Afterwards we return to Yerevan and visit the factory of traditional Armenian brandy – “Ararat,” and its museum.

**DAY 10 | Yerevan–Havuts Tar–Geghard–Yerevan**

We start sightseeing tour in the Yerevan surrounding area. First we drive to the Temple of Garni – the only colonnaded Greco-Roman building in Armenia and the region. Scholars estimate that pagan temple of Garni was built in the first century AD. Temple was destroyed by the earthquake in the 17th century and reconstructed later. From Garni we can visit two other monuments located nearby: Havuts Tar – ruins of the 11th-13th century walled monastery, and Geghard Monastery, situated in the gorge of river Azat, another World Heritage Site of UNESCO.

In the evening we drive back to Yerevan. After arrival we are going to visit food market “Gum,” where we can buy various local Armenian flavors.

**DAY 11 | Yerevan–Khor Virap–Noravank–Goris**

We depart for southern regions of Armenia. We start our exploration in the Ararat province and visit Khor Virap monastery located on the Ararat plain. Monastery was initially built in the 7th century. From Khor Virap visitors can enjoy panoramic views on Mount Ararat – national symbol of Armenia. From Khor Virap we drive to Vayots Dzor province and arrive at village Areni. Areni is famous for its...
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**12** DAY | Goris–Tatev–Selim–Sevan–Dilijan

Our journey in Armenia continues as on day 12 after breakfast we head to the monastic complex of Tatev. Tatev is a 9th century Armenian monastery in Syunik province. Monastery is situated on a large basalt plateau, and is especially famous for Wings of Tatev - a 5.7 km cableway between Tatev monastery and village Halidzor, which is the longest reversible aerial tramway in the world. Tatev is the most popular touristic site in Syunik.

From Tatev we drive to the north towards the lake Sevan. On our way we stop at Orbelian’s Caravanserai in Vayots Dzor. Also referred as Selim Caravanserai, it was built in 1332 on Vardenyats Mountain Pass at a height of 2410 meters above sea level.

Afterwards we get to Sevan. Sevan is one of the world’s largest freshwater high-altitude lakes (1900 m). We are going to visit Sevanavank Monastery built in the 9th century and located on an island (now a peninsula) in Sevan. Afterwards we drive to the north, to the spa town of Dilijan, Tavush province.

**13** DAY | Dilijan – Sadakhlo (15:00) – Tbilisi

Today we start Dilijan sightseeing tour. We are going to visit old center of Dilijan and Sharambeyan street, full of handicraft stores, souvenirs shops and historical buildings. From Dilijan we depart for Georgia. We get to Sadakhlo border crossing point, meet with Georgian staff and head to Tbilisi. In the evening we are going to have a farewell dinner at the Georgian restaurant accompanied with traditional folk show.

**14** DAY | Tbilisi – Tbilisi International Airport

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to Tbilisi International Airport and departure. End of service.

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**ARRIVAL**

**INCLlDES:**

- 4* Accommodation
- Professional English speaking guide service during the tour
- Professional driver service during the tour
- 2 x APT-HTL transfers by a comfortable Climate Controlled car, minibus or bus
- Transportation with a comfortable Climate Controlled car, minibus or bus
- 4 x night(s)-Tbilisi
- 2 x night(s)-Gudauri
- 1 x night(s)-Kutaisi
- 1 x night(s)-Goris
- 1 x night(s)-Dilijan
- 13 x Dinners-on days 2-14
- 2 x buffet dinners at the hotel – days 3, 4
- Lunch at Megerian Carpet Factory in Yerevan
- Lunch & Barbeque party at a local family in Areni village
- 2 dinners with folk show in national restaurants in each country
- Armenian Lavash cooking master class at local family
- Armenian wine-tasting in Areni wine factory
- Armenian brandy tasting in Ararat factory in Yerevan
- Water (2 x bottles per person daily)
- Excursions in accordance with the program
- Entrance fees in accordance with the program
- All local taxes

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The deposit for this tour is 300€

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History and culture of Georgia have always been closely intertwined with winemaking tradition. Wine in local culture is often considered as a symbol of hospitality and friendship. Oldest evidence of winemaking has been recently discovered at the archaeological site near Tbilisi, at the 8000-year old village. Nowadays there are over 500 species of grape in Georgia, while up to 40 of those varieties are used in commercial wine production. 5-day ‘Wine and Brandy’ introduces you to the Georgian wine. Tour takes off in the capital Tbilisi and travels to the major traditional winemaking region of Georgia – Kakheti. On this tour, travelers will be able to sightsee Tbilisi, visit the best wineries of Kakheti region, taste various local types of wine, and take a look at both modern and traditional ways of wine and brandy production of the country. Group will be accompanied by local, professional and experienced guide and driver.

MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

**Tbilisi City**
- Holy Trinity Cathedral
- Narikala Fortress 4th C
- Legutakhevi Waterfall
- Sulfur bathhouse square
- Shardeni str & Bridge of Peace
- Medan square
- Georgian National Museum
- Sarajishuli Brandy Factory
- Funicular Train & Mtatsminda Park

**Kakheti Region**
- Signagi town
- Sighnaghi Pheasant’s Tears wine cellar
- Winery & museum Numisi in Velistsikhe 16th C
- Kuareli Wine Tunnels
- Telavi Town
- Telavi Former’s Bazaar
- Tsindadli Residence of Al. Chavchavadze 19th C
- Gremi Royal Residence & Castle 16th C
- Twin’s Wine Cellar and Museum

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**DAY TO DAY ITINERARY**

1 **DAY** | Arrival in Tbilisi Airport-Tbilisi City Tour

Arrival and transfer from Tbilisi International Airport. We get to the city center of Tbilisi and start Tbilisi sightseeing tour. Founded in the 5th century AD, Tbilisi developed into one of the major cultural, political and economic centers of the Caucasus region. We begin our tour by visiting the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi (Sameba) - the main cathedral of Georgian Orthodox Church and of the tallest orthodox churches in the world, which represents a synthesis of different traditional styles of Georgian church architecture. From Sameba we head towards the Metekhi plateau in the old Tbilisi, and visit Metekhi church built in the 13th century, situated on an elevated cliff near the river Mtkvari. From Metekhi we move down to the Rike park, take an aerial cable car and get to the Narikala Fortress – major ancient fortification of the city dated back to the 4th century. Narikala Fortress is located on the mountain overlooking Tbilisi. From there we stroll down to the old districts and visit Legutakhevi canyon and waterfall, Sulfur Bathhouse district, and take a walk in old Tbilisi until we get to the Maidan Square. There are lots of outdoor cafes, bars, art galleries, souvenir and handicraft shops in these areas. After lunch, we head to the Georgian National Museum on Rustaveli avenue. Georgian National Museum unifies several museums of Georgia and houses numerous collections and exhibitions that represent Georgian history, culture and art. From the museum we move to Mount Mtatsminda and get to the Mtatsminda Park by the funicular. Mount Mtatsminda (770 m) is one of the highest points of Tbilisi with a landscaped park on top of it, overlooking the city. Day 1 and Tbilisi sightseeing tour is finished by the welcome dinner at Georgian traditional restaurant.
2 DAY | Tbilisi–Signagi–Kvareli–Telavi
On day 2 we depart for Kakheti region – one of the major traditional winemaking regions of Georgia. Our first stop is at Signagi – a small town situated on the eastern foothills of the Gombori mountain range at an elevation of 790 meters, surrounded by the 18th c. city curtain walls, facing Greater Caucasus mountains and overlooking the valley of river Alazani.

In Signagi we are going to visit a local cellar of Pheasant’s Tears Winery and taste traditional Georgian wine made according to the authentic wine-making tradition of Kvevri – Georgian traditional earthenware vessel used for fermentation, aging and storage of wine. We can take short walk in the center of Signagi, and afterwards drive to village Velistsikhe to take a look at local wine cellar and museum of Numisi Winery and Cellar Museum, one of the oldest wine cellars in Kakheti, dated back to the 16th c. We will have a lunch in Numisi and taste Georgian red and white wines stored in Kvevri.

From Velistsikhe we continue to Kvareli town and pay a visit to Khareba Wine Cellar, located in a cave on the flank of the Caucasus mountains, and taste wines. The temperature in the tunnel of Khareba winery stays ideally at 12-14°C throughout the whole year. It consists of two main tunnels with total length of 7.7 km.

Afterwards, we drive to Telavi town from Kvareli. Telavi is the administrative center of Kakheti region.

3 DAY | Telavi–Tsinandali–Gremi–Napareuli
After breakfast we continue exploration of Kakheti region. We can visit Telavi farmer’s bazaar where we can buy local fruits, homemade wine and Georgian vodka – ‘Chacha’, cheese and bread. Georgian traditional sweets such as “Churchkhela” etc.

From Telavi, we head to village Tsinandali to see the House Museum of Alexander Chavchavadze. Alexander Chavchavadze was a famous Georgian aristocrat, military figure in service of the Russian Empire, and a Romanticist poet from the 19th century. Nowadays, Chavchavadze’s residence, garden and winery in Tsinandali is turned into a museum.

From Tsinandali we drive to Gremi – a 16th century architectural monument in Kakheti. Complex consists of the royal citadel and the Church of Archangels, and represents the only surviving part of medieval town of Gremi.

From Gremi we drive to village Napareuli, where Twins Wine Cellar and its Qvevri and Qvevri Wine Museum is located. Museum shows the process of Georgian traditional wine-making procedure step-by-step.

Nowadays, wine production of Twins Wine Cellar is still based on the old, local methods. We are going to have lunch in a restaurant at the Twins Wine Cellar with various types of wines available. Afterwards, we return back to Telavi. Dinner and overnight in Telavi.

4 DAY | Telavi–Tbilisi
After breakfast we drive back to Tbilisi. On our way to Tbilisi we are going cross Tsiu-Gombori mountain range through Gombori Pass (1620 m).

After our arrival we are going to head to the wine and brandy factory of JSC Sarajishvili – one of the oldest manufacturers of liquor in Georgia, founded in 1884 by a Georgian scientist and entrepreneur Davit Sarajishvili. We can take part in the degustation of the 19th century brandy. It is also possible to purchase a bottle from the old collections at the factory.

On day 4 we will have a free evening and a gala dinner with folk performance at Georgian traditional restaurant.

5 DAY | Tbilisi–Transfer to the Airport
Breakfast at the hotel. Departure to Tbilisi Airport.
WINE & BRANDY TOUR INCLUDES:

4* Accommodation, all transfers, excursions & entrance fees, professional guide & driver service during the tour
comfortable vehicle service all days

STAFF:
- Professional English-speaking guide (or any other language) service during the tour
- Professional driver service during the tour

TRANSPORT:
- 2 airport-hotel transfers by a comfortable car, minibus or bus
- Transportation with comfortable A/C car, minibus or bus for 4 days 1, 2, 3, 4

ACCOMMODATION IN THE HOTELS:
- 2 x nights-Tbilisi
- 2 x nights-Telavi

MEALS:
- 4 x breakfasts
- 4 x lunches in wine cellars + wine-tastings
- 4 x dinners
- 5 wine tastings:
  - Signagi Peasant’s Tears
  - Velistsikhe wine cellar and museum of Numisi
  - Kupreli Winery Khareba and wine cellar Tunnels
  - Napareuli Twin’s Wine Cellar and Museum
  - Sarajishvili Wine Brandy & Alcohol Factory in Tbilisi

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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

KHEVI PROVINCE:
• Truso valley
• Abano Lake
• Zakagon Castle
• Gergeti trinity church
• Gergeti glacier

village Juta
• Juta lake
• Chaukhi Glacier

MITULETI PROVINCE:
• Ananuri Architectural Complex
• Gudauri

TREK GRADE: MEDIUM
TREKKING PER DAY: 4-6 HOURS

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DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Tbilisi–Ananuri–Truso–Gergeti–Kazbegi
At 9:00 AM we start driving to the north, towards town Kazbegi (Stepantsminda). Khevi province. We pass by the Ananuri Castle, village Kobi, and enter into the Truso valley, where we make a “warm-up” trek, and reach the ruins of Zakagon castle near the border area. We are also going to stop at Abano bubbling lake and several travertines that are scattered through the whole valley. After a hike in Truso we drive to Kazbegi town, check in the hotel and take a short hike to Gergeti Trinity Church (5 km roundtrip, 377 m elevation gain/drop), located on the top of Mount Gergeti. In the evening we return to Kazbegi town.

2 DAY | Kazbegi–Gergeti–Sabertse Pass–Kazbegi
In the morning we drive up to Gergeti campsite near the Trinity Church and take a hike in direction of Kazbegi Glacier, reaching Sabertse Pass (3100 m). In a good weather the pass offers panoramic views over the surrounding area and the glacier located nearby. We continue walking a bit further down to have a lunch and a hot tea in Althut – an alpine basecamp at an elevation of 3014 m. After lunch, we walk back to Kazbegi town.

3 DAY | Kazbegi–Juta–Chaukhi Mountains–Tbilisi
Early in the morning we drive to the highest mountain village in the area – Juta (2250 m). We are going to take a hike to Juta lake, situated at the base of Chaukhi Glacier, 10 km roundtrip 3-4 hours.

INCLUDES
• Comfortable 4x4 car – all days
• Professional trekking-guide service – all days
• Professional driver service – all days
• 2 x breakfasts (days 2, 3)
• 2 x dinners at hotel/guesthouse (days 1, 2)
• 3 x Lunches (days 2, 3)
• 2 bottles of mineral water per person per day
• 2 x overnights in Kazbegi Guesthouse (day 1,2)
• Souvenir Map of Georgia

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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

SVANETI REGION
- Mestia town
- villages of Iskari
- Mazeri
- Zhabeshi
- Adishi and Ushguli
- Chalaadi Glacier

SAMEGRELO REGION
- Usbha Waterfall
- Svaneti Museum of History and Ethnography

Trek grade: Easy to moderate
Max trekking per day: 17 km
Max elevation: 2960 m

DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Tbilisi – Zugdidi – Mestia
On day 1 we are going to meet at 7:00 AM in front of the Bicycle Statue at the First Republic Square, located in the city center of Tbilisi. We are going to have a long drive towards Mestia town, administrative center of Svaneti (approximate non-stop drive of 7.5 hours). We are going to make a few stops on our way. First, at Zugdidi, a town in Samegrelo region, where we are going to pay a visit to Dadiani Palace – medieval palace of local dukes (house of Dadiani), and its History and Architectural Museum. We make another stop near Enguri dam – one of the highest concrete arch dams in the world, constructed in the gorge of river Enguri. In the evening we arrive in Mestia.

2 DAY | Mestia – Chalaadi – Mestia
After breakfast at the hotel we drive north, to the beginning of the trail near Mestiachala river. We cross the bridge and start walking uphill through the forest. After about 1.5 kilometers, the trail continues on a rocky area, covered with stones of different shapes and size, so one should walk extra careful. From here we can already observe mount Chatini in front of us. We continue towards the Chatini mountain, and at an elevation of 1920 meters we reach our destination point - Chalaadi glacier.

3 DAY | Mestia – Etseri – Mazeri
After breakfast at the hotel we drive to village Iskari, located in Etseri community. The route begins at an altitude of 1453 meters and passes through several villages of the community: Iskari, Kurashi, Barshi, and Cherili. After passing the last village, you walk upwards to the direction of Baki pass. The climb right before the pass is comparably more demanding but you will soon be rewarded with perfect views of Mount Ushba and the valleys below. The trail gets much easier and more pleasant to walk afterwards. Take a break near the small lake and continue walking downhill through coniferous forest to the village of Tvebishi. We cross the bridge over river Dolra and arrive at village Mazeri.

4 DAY | Mazeri – Shdugra Waterfall – Mestia
After breakfast at the guesthouse we start a morning hike to Shdugra waterfall, located at the foothills of Shkhara glacier. Hike continues through the pine forest with views on Ushba summit (4710 m) and Becho commune. After hike we return back to Mazeri village and head to Mestia.

5 DAY | Mestia-Tetnuldi-Adishi Glacier
On day after breakfast we head to Tetnuldi plateau and a ski resort situated at 2700 meters above the sea level. This area opens up great panoramic views on the valley of river Enguri and surrounding mountains. From here, we will follow the marked trail leading down to small village Adishi. The path mostly goes through the forest and crosses several fields, with views of Mount Tetnuldi (4858 m) to the north, and Adishi waterfall near village Adishi. After hike we return to village Adishi, take a break and continue hiking to nearby glacier. Return back to the village the same way.

FROM CHALAADI WE WALK BACK TO THE CAR ROAD AND GET BACK TO MESTIA. AFTER TAKING SOME REST, WE WILL VISIT SVANETI MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND ETHNOGRAPHY IN MESTIA, WHICH PRESENTS AUTHENTIC SVAN HISTORY AND CULTURE TO ITS VISITORS. MUSEUM’S COLLECTION INCLUDES VARIOUS ETHNOGRAPHIC AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL ARTIFACTS, OLD GEORGIAN MANUSCRIPTS, MEDIEVAL ORTHODOX ICONS OF THE AUTHENTIC SVAN STYLE ETC.

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6 **DAY | Adishi – Ushguli – Mestia**

On day 6 we have a breakfast at the guesthouse and enjoy walking around the village Adishi. Afterwards we take a local 4x4WD jeep and drive towards the Ushguli Community. Ushguli is a community of villages located at about 2100 meters above sea level at the head of the Enguri gorge in Upper Svaneti, Georgia. Ushguli community comprises of five villages: Zhidiani, Chvibiani, Chazhashi, Lamjurishi and Murqmeli. The community is considered to be one of the highest permanently inhabited places in Europe and is included in the list of UNESCO World Heritage Sites. We take a walk through the streets these remote and authentic villages. Drive back to Mestia.

7 **DAY | Mestia – Tbilisi**

Breakfast at the guesthouse. Drive back to Tbilisi.

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**INCLUDES**

- 2 transfers to/from Tbilisi-Mestia
- 4x4 car transfers within local villages (when mentioned)
- English-speaking trekking guide service days 2-6
- 4 o/n - Guest House In Mestia
- 1 o/n - Mazeri Guesthouse
- 1 o/n – Adishi Guesthouse
- Breakfasts days 2-7
- 6 x Dinners on days 1-6
- Souvenir map
- 1 bottle mineral water per person per day
- All taxes

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Main Highlights & Sites:

SAMTSKHE-JAVAKHETI REGION
- Borjomi National Park
- Javakheti National Park
- Tabatskuri & Tsalka Lakes

GRADE MODERATE

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1 | Day | Tbilisi - Arrival
Arrive to Tbilisi. Transfer to the hotel.

2 | Day | Tbilisi - Borjomi - Bakuriani
In the morning we are going to organize a pick-up in Tbilisi. We are going to drive for approximately 2 hours, towards Borjomi, to the starting point near town Borjomi. Cycling starts with a slow ascent and after a while we start a climb. Forestry road goes uphill to shepherds villages on a plateau. We pass by a little lake and arrive at Kakhisi Lake surrounded by the forests. After a break, trip continues uphill to a small mountain pass (1930 m) near lake, then goes downhill towards the small mountain village Tori, and through forestry road finally reaches Bakuriani ski resort, situated at the elevation of 1700 meters above sea level.

3 | Day | Bakuriani - Tskhratskharo - Tabatskuri - Vardzia
Day 3 starts with a 14-km climb to Tskhratskharo Mountain pass (2462 m). The major challenge of the day is a continuous downhill road passing by the shepherd camps on the alpine meadow and heading towards Tabatskuri Lake (2000 m) and Tabatskuri village, located on a volcanic plateau and surrounded by the extinct volcanoes. From Tabatskuri Lake we drive to Vardzia.

4 | Day | Vardzia - Akhalkalaki - Tsalka lake - Tbilisi
On day 4 we are going to make a sightseeing tour in Vardzia – a cave monastery constructed in the 12th century during the reign of Queen Tamar of Georgia. Located on the bank of river Mtkvari, this medieval monastic complex is cut in rock and consists of multiple chambers, cave dwellings, churches and chapels. After the sightseeing tour in Vardzia we start riding to Akhalkalaki along the river Mtkvari. Arrival in Akhalkalaki and transfer to Tbilisi.

3 | Day | Tbilisi - Departure
After breakfast transfer to the airport and departure.

Includes:
- 2 x transfers from/to airport on days 1 and 5
- Minibus assistance on days 2-4
- English speaking biker guide
- 2 x overnight(s) in Tbilisi hotel
- 1 x overnight(s) Bakuriani hotel
- 1 x overnight(s) Vardzia Guesthouse
- 4 breakfasts on days 2-5
- 3 dinners on days 2-4
- 2 liters of mineral water per person per day

Bicycles - rental fee: 20 EUR per day per bike

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Max Altitude: 2462m
Total ride distance: 110km
Support by car: yes

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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

TBILISI CITY
- Tbilisi city
- Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi
- Metekhi church
- Narikala Fortress
- Legutakhevi
- Sulfur Bathhouse District
- Shardeni street
- Maidan square
- Bridge of Peace
- Georgian National Museum
- Rustaveli Avenue

KAKHETI REGION
- Davit Gareja semi-desert
- Davit Gareja Monastery
- Signagi
- Bodbe monastery
- Nekresi monastery
- Gremi Citadel and Royal Residence
- House Museum of Alexander Chavchavadze in Tsinandali
- Mount Mtatsminda
- Mtatsminda park
- Tbilisi funicular

KHEVI REGION
- Ananuri Architectural Complex
- Kazbegi town
- Gergeti Holy Trinity Church
- Alpine village Juta
- Hike to the foothills of Chaukhi Massif

MTSKHETA
- Jvari Monastery
- Svetitskhoveli Cathedral

DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Tbilisi International Airport – Tbilisi
Arrival at Tbilisi International Airport and transfer to the hotel. Free time.

2 DAY | Tbilisi free day
Free day in Tbilisi to explore on your own. Suggested program for this day. First stop at the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi ("Sameba") – major Orthodox Cathedral of Georgia and one of the tallest orthodox churches in the world. You can continue the tour in the old city center and get to the Narikala fortress by an aerial cable car from Rike Park. Narikala is an ancient fortification located on the mountain and overlooking the city, where you can enjoy panoramic views of Tbilisi. From Narikala you can stroll down to the old districts of Tbilisi, visit Legutakhevi canyon, with a small river and waterfall, and continue to the Sulfur Bathhouse District, Maidan Square and Shardeni street. These areas are full of outdoor cafes, restaurants, souvenirs and handicap stores and art galleries. Afterwards you can continue to the Georgian National Museum located on Rustaveli Avenue, where you can start a guided tour and learn the history of the country from the ancient times. After paying a visit to museum, you can continue exploration of the city and get to the Mount Mtatsminda – considered as one of the symbols of Tbilisi, it is a mountain located in the center of the city. Mtatsminda Park is located on top of the mountain and can be reached by Tbilisi funicular. In the evening we can have a dinner at Georgian restaurant accompanied by folk show.

3 DAY | Tbilisi – Davit Gareja – Signagi
On day 3 after breakfast we suggest travelers to drive to the east, to Davit Gareja semi-desert and visit Davit Gareja Monastery. Davit Gareja monastic complex integrates hundreds of cells, living areas, churches and chapels that all heun in rock. Davit Gareja monastery of Laura was founded in 6th c. by St. David Garejeli, one of the Assyrian monks who arrived in Georgia to spread Christianity in the region. From Davit Gareja you can continue exploration of Kakheti – main wine-producing region of Georgia – and arrive in Signagi. Signagi is a small town surrounded by medieval defensive curtain walls. Town is located on Gombori mountain range overlooking the valley of river Alazani.

4 DAY | Signagi–Nekresi–Gremi–Tsinandali– Telavi
You can drive to Bodbe Monastery, a monastery located in 2 km from Signagi, originally built in the 9th c. and renovated in the 17th c. Nowadays it functions as nunnery and is a popular pilgrimage site for Georgians as well as...
5 DAY  Telavi – Akhmeta – Ananuri – Kazbegi
After breakfast drive towards town Kazbegi (Stephantsminda), situated in mountainous Khevi province, north west from Telavi. You can make several stops on the way. First, at Kvetera Church near town Akhmeta, a 10th century monument built in Georgian cross-dome style. From Kvetera continue to Ananuri Architectural Complex, located near Zhinvali reservoir. 16-17th century medieval complex of Ananuri is comprised of a fortress, residential building and two churches, and served as a residence of local Aragvi Eristavi (Dukes of Aragvi). Continue driving to the north through Georgian Military Road and Jvari Pass (2395 m), and arrive in Kazbegi (Stepantsminda) – administrative center of Khevi province.

6 DAY  Kazbegi–Gergeti–Juta–Chaukhi–Kazbegi
On day 6 we suggest exploration of the Caucasus mountains in Khevi. After breakfast take a moderate hike (approximately 2 hours) to Mount Gergeti, and visit Gergeti Trinity Church, which stands on top of the mountain overlooking Kazbegi town and, at the same time, situated under the Kazbegi Glacier (5047 m). After a hike to Gergeti, return to Kazbegi town and drive to Juta alpine village. From Juta you can hike up to the foothills of Chaukhi Glacier (10 kms/4 hrs/easy hike).

7 DAY  Kazbegi – Mtskheta – Tbilisi
After breakfast at the hotel drive back to Tbilisi. Historical town Mtskheta is located on the way to Tbilisi, at the confluence of rivers Aragvi and Mtkvari. Mtskheta served as a capital of ancient Georgian Kingdom Iberia, and is famous for its monuments enlisted in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites. These two major highlights of Mtskheta that you can visit are: Jvari Monastery (6th c.) and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral (11th c.). Evening arrival in Tbilisi. Free time.

8 DAY  Tbilisi – Tbilisi International Airport
Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to Tbilisi International Airport. Departure.

INCLUDES
- 2 airport transfers from/to Tbilisi hotel from/to Tbilisi airport – days 1, 8
- Self-drive vehicle (4x4) – max. capacity 4 people – days 2-7
- 3 x nights-Tbilisi 3* hotel
- 1 x night- Signagi 3* hotel
- 1 x nights- Telavi guesthouse
- 2 x nights- Kazbegi guesthouse
- 7 x Breakfasts-on days 2-8
- 2 x dinners at the guesthouse – on days 5, 6
- Route map (Google maps)
- Local sim card with preloaded balance: 4 GB mobile internet & 10 GEL for local/international calls
- 24/7 assistance of local operator
- Entrance fees in accordance with the program
- Glass of wine in Tsinandali (for 2 people)
- All local taxes

MONASTIC COMPLEX OF ANANURI IS COMPRISED OF A FORTRESS, RESIDENTIAL BUILDING AND TWO CHURCHES, AND SERVED AS A RESIDENCE OF LOCAL ARAQUI ERISTAVI (Dukes OF ARAGVI). CONTINUE DRIVING TO THE NORTH THROUGH GEORGIAN MILITARY ROAD AND JVARI PASS (2395 M), AND ARRIVE IN KAZBEGI (STEPANTSMINDA) – ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER OF KHEVI PROVINCE.
KHEVI MOUNTAIN BIKE TOUR | 8 DAYS
Private escorted multiday bike tour for individuals and families

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8-day escorted mountain bike tour takes you to Khevi – a province of Georgia located in the Greater Caucasus Mountains. Discover the remote villages of Georgia, alpine valleys and gorges, and the high peaks of the Caucasus mountains while cycling on moderate to hard trails of the Khevi province.

MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

**TBLISI CITY**
- Metekhi Church
- Narikala Fortress
- Sulfur Bathhouse District
- Botanic Garden

**KHEVI REGION**
- Truso valley
- Sioni church
- Sno tower
- Juta village (2200m)
- Chaukhi mountain range
- Alpine lake in Juta
- Kazbegi town
- Gergeti trinity Church
- Danili gorge
- Dzurdzur glacier
- Gveleti waterfall

**MTSKHETA TOWN**
- Jvari monastery of 6th c
- Svetitskhoveli Cathedral of 12th c

**GRADE: MODERATE TO HARD**

- Max Altitude: 2600 m
- Total ride distance: 140 km
- Support by car: yes

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| **1 DAY** | Tbilisi International Airport – Tbilisi
Arrival at Tbilisi International Airport. Transfer to the hotel. |
| **2 DAY** | Tbilisi
Sightseeing: Metekhi Church, Narikala Fortress, Sulfur Bathhouse District, Tbilisi Botanical Garden.
Difficulty: moderate
Road: tarmac – 6 km, gravel – 2 km, off road trail
On day 2 after breakfast we make a warm-up bike tour in old Tbilisi and an off-road cycling in Tbilisi Botanical Garden.
In the evening we are going to have a welcome dinner at Georgian traditional restaurant. |
| **3 DAY** | Tbilisi – Truso Gorge – Arsha
Sightseeing: Truso valley, ancient defense towers, mineral springs and ponds, Sioni church.
Approximate Ride distance: 35 km
Total Elevation: positive: 400m negative: 500m
Difficulty: moderate hard
Road: tarmac – 12 km, gravel – 23 km
After breakfast in the morning we depart for Khevi province. We are going to drive through the Georgian Military Road and Jvari mountain pass, and eventually get to the Truso Valley – alpine gorge in Khevi famous for its ancient defensive towers and mineral springs. Cycling starts from here. Soon we are going to face major challenge of the day – a 300-meter altitude rise on a mountain pass (2300 m), and after crossing the river, our route will be laid on a rocky downhill trail in Truso canyon until we get to the mineral water springs and alpine lakes. Final part of tarmac road goes through the gorge of the river Terek, full with old villages and ancient defensive towers. Afterwards we get to the village Arsha. |
| **4 DAY** | Arsha–Sno river–Juta–Chaukhi –Juta
Road: gravel – 18-20 km, off-road trail – 10 km
After breakfast we leave Arsha. First part of the route laid through Sno valley and followed by a 300-meter high ride up until the village Juta (2200 m) is relatively easy. Last part of the road is the hardest, which requires off-road riding skills. Therefore, we can choose to cycle or continue by walking, as trails are muddy and rocky, with possibility of snow.
From here cyclers can enjoy views on the rocky peaks of Chaukhi Mountain, while its slopes are covered with sub-alpine flowers and blooming rhododendron bushes. A little crystal clear alpine lake is also noticeable. Maximum elevation on our way to Juta is 2600 meters above sea level. |
| **5 DAY** | Juta – Kazbegi – Gergeti – Kazbegi
Sightseeing: Kazbegi town, Gergeti trinity monastery
Approximate Ride distance: 35 km
Total Elevation: positive: 400m negative: 850m
Difficulty: moderate
Road: tarmac – 5 km, gravel – 30 km
After breakfast we start our route with more than 20 km descent until town Kazbegi (1900 m). After we
arrive in Kazbegi, we continue a challenging climb on Mount Gergeti, to reach the top of the mountain and visit Gergeti Trinity Church (2170 m). Visitors can see panoramic views over the town Kazbegi, as well as Kazbegi Glacier (5033 m), which is situated above Gergeti. Afterwards we can have a short Kazbegi town sightseeing and dinner where we can enjoy local traditional cuisine of Khevi region.

4 DAY | Kazbegi–Devdaraki Glacier–Gveleti–Kazbegi
Sightseeing: Dariali gorge, Deudaraki glacier, Gveleti waterfall.
Approximate Ride distance: 30 km
Total Elevation: positive: 1100 m negative: 1100 m
Difficulty: hard
Road: tarmac – 14 km, off-road trails – 16 km.

On day 4, after an easy descent in Dariali Gorge on a tarmac road, route follows off-road trails until we get to Deudaraki Glacier.

We are going to pass by alpine meadows and lakes. On the way back to Kazbegi we are going to visit Gveleti Waterfall, located in about 1.5 km from the main road.

5 DAY | Kazbegi–Khada gorge–Mtskheta–Tbilisi
Sightseeing: Jvari Monastery, Svetitskhoveli Cathedral
Approximate Ride distance: 20 km
After breakfast at the hotel we start a half-day cycling in Khada gorge. We are going to cover a 20 km trail with 700 m long uphill ride.

On the way to Tbilisi we are going to stop at a historical town Mtskheta, located at the confluence of the two rivers Aragvi and Mtkvari. We will visit two major historico-cultural monuments of Mtskheta from medieval times that are also included in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites list - Jvari monastery (6th c.) and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral (12th c.). After Mtskheta sightseeing we depart for Tbilisi.

In the evening we are going to have a farewell dinner accompanied with a folk show in a Georgian traditional restaurant in Tbilisi.

6 DAY | Departure
Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the Tbilisi International Airport. Departure.

INCLUDES
- 2 x transfers from/to airport on days 1 and 8
- Minibus assistance on days 2-7
- English speaking biker guide
- 3 x overnight(s) in Tbilisi hotel on days 1, 2, 7
- 1 x overnight(s) Arsha guesthouse on day 3
- 1 x overnight(s) Juta guesthouse on day 4
- 2 x overnight(s) Stephantsminda guesthouse on days 5-6
- 7 breakfasts on days 2-8
- 6 dinners on days 2-7
- 2 liters of mineral water per person per day
- Excursions and entrance fees per program
- Visit to Sulfur bathhouses on day 7
- Bicycles – rental fee: 20 EUR per day per bike

Note: Off-road cycling experience is recommended for all travelers, and a good level of fitness is necessary. Cyclers will be escorted by vehicles throughout the tour that will give lift upon wish or whenever necessary. This itinerary can be changed at the discretion of the guide depending on various factors, such as the weather conditions, physical ability of the cyclists and the trail options group decides together.

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CHILD POLICY
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- 5-6 years: 50% OFF
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The deposit for this tour is 30€
KAKHETI BIKE TOUR | 8 DAYS
Private escorted multiday bike tour for individuals and families

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Kakheti is one of the best places to arrange an easy mountain bike tour. Exploring the wine-making region of Georgia by bicycle might impress both beginner and experienced riders. The group is assisted with a vehicle during the trip.

Main Highlights & Sites:

KAKHETI REGION
• Ujarma fortress
• Shuamta monasteries
• Telavi town
• Ikalto academy
• Alaverdi Monastery
• Gremi royal citadel and church

• Kuareli town
• Kuareli Lake
• Khareba winery
• Lagodekhi National Park
• Signagi town
• Bodbe monastery
• David Gareja Monastery Complex

Grade: Moderate to Hard
Max Altitude: 2600 m
Total ride distance: 200 km
Support by car: yes

Day to Day Itinerary

1 DAY | Arrival In Tbilisi
Meeting at the airport. Transfer to the hotel.

2 DAY | Gombori Pass – Shuamta – Telavi
Sightseeing: Ujarma Fortress, Shuamta church, Telavi town
Cycling distance: 30 km
Day 2 is a warm up day. Our Vehicle will transfer you to the top of the Gombori mountain pass (1630m), and after visiting ancient Ujarma Fortress, we start cycling on a long descent from mountains through the villages and wine fields. After short climb we will get to the Shuamta Monasteries, built in the 5th century, and surrounded by forests.
From Shuamta, descent goes until we get to the town Telavi, administrative center of Kakheti region. We can take a rest in Telavi, sightsee the town and visit BatanistiKhe – late feudal castle and fortress located inside the town, which served as the residence of the kings of Kakheti Kingdom in the 17-18th centuries.

3 DAY | Telavi–Ikalto–Alaverdi–Aluani
Sightseeing: Ikalto and Alaverdi monastery.
Cycling distance: 30 km
First part of the cycling day is a little ascent until we get to the medieval Ikalto academy, established during the Georgian Golden Age, 11th century. From Ikalto we cycle downhill towards another historical and religious monument from the same historical period – Alaverdi Monastery. In less than 4 km distance we arrive in the village Lower Alvani, where we can take a look at and purchase traditional Tushetian wool carpets, rugs and clothing, as well as taste local wine and Georgian traditional grape vodka “Chacha”.

4 DAY | Aluani – Gremi – Kuareli
Sightseeing: Gremi castle, Kuareli town
Cycling distance: 50 km
Cycling route follows the river Alazani and takes us to the village Napareuli, where Twins Wine Cellar and its Wine Museum are located. Museum shows the process of Georgian traditional wine-making procedure step-by-step. Nowadays, the wine production of Twins Wine Cellar is still based on the old, local methods.

From Napareuli we head towards the Gremi – a 16th century monument that is the remnant of the medieval capital town of Kakheti. Nowadays, complex consists of a royal citadel and the church of archangels.
From Gremi we continue our way to the south-east and at the end of the day arrive in town Kuareli. We can visit Ilia Lake.

5 DAY | Kuareli – Lagodekhi
Sightseeing: Kuareli wine tunnels, Lagodekhi National Park
Cycling distance: 45km
Day 5 starts with visiting Khareba Winery and wine cellar, located in the tunnels on the flank of the southern slopes of the Caucasus Mountains, where we can have wine-tasting. Afterwards we continue our way through villages and melon farms, and after a little climb on a hill we will descend to Lagodekhi town, where we can visit Lagodekhi National Park and take a rest.
DAG 6 Lagodekhi – Signagi
Sightseeing: Signagi Castle and town, Bodbe monastery
Cycling distance: 45 km
Day 6 is the most challenging day of the trip. After a 20 km descent to the valley of river Alazani, the road continues uphill towards the town Signagi, climbing about 500 meters in altitude.
Signagi is a small town located on the eastern parts of the Gombori mountain range at an elevation of 790 meters above sea level, surrounded by the 18th c. curtain walls, facing Greater Caucasus mountain range and overlooking the valley of river Alazani.
We can also visit the Monastery of St. Nino at Bodbe, a monastic complex located in 2 km from Signagi, originally built in the 9th century and restructured later, in the 17th century.

DAG 7 Signagi-Davit Gareja Monastery-Tbilisi
Sightseeing: Udabno semi-desert, Gareja Monastery Caves
End of cycling. Tour car will take cyclers through the desert and get to the Davit Gareja Monastery complex. Established in the 6th century, complex is located on the slopes of Mount Gareja and includes hundreds of cells, churches, chapels and living quarters carved out in rock. After sightseeing in Davit Gareja we drive back to Tbilisi.

DAG 8 Tbilisi – Tbilisi International Airpot
Transfer to the Tbilisi International Airport in the morning. Departure.

UNESCO ARRIVAL

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- English speaking biker guide
- 2 x overnight(s) in Tbilisi hotel on days 1, 7
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- 1 x overnight(s) Lagodekhi guesthouse on day 5
- 1 x overnight(s) Signagi guesthouse on day 6
- 7 breakfasts on days 2-8
- 6 dinners on days 2-7
- 2 liters of mineral water per person per day
- Excursions per program
- Entrance fees in Gremi Royal Citadel
- 1 x wine-tasting in Kvareli tunnels on day 5

Bicycles – rental fee: 20 EUR per day per bike
Note: At least some cycling experience is recommended.
Cyclers will be escorted by vehicles throughout the tour that will give lift upon wish or whenever necessary. This itinerary can be changed at the discretion of the guide depending on various factors, such as the weather conditions, physical ability of the cyclers and the trail options group decides together.

RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT:
- Helmet
- Sunglasses
- Sunscreen lotion (SPF at least 30)
- Rain suit
TREKKING IN RACHA | 5 DAYS
Private escorted easy trekking for individuals and families

Discover Racha - one of the most impressive, yet less touristic mountainous regions of Georgia, located in the Greater Caucasus Mountains. Two major highlights of the 5-day tour are Buba glacier and picturesque alpine lake Udziro (which in Georgian means “bottomless”), situated at the slope of Mount Katitsvera (3300 m.) at an elevation of 2800 meters. Route crosses a mountain pass at the altitude of 3070 meters with a sudden elevation gain, and may not be recommended for people with low fitness level or certain medical conditions.

MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

- Village Shou (1650 m)
- Buba Glacier
- Udziro Lake (2800 m)
- Geske pass (3070 m).

GRADE: MEDIUM
Driving distance: 780km
Hiking length: 35km

DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Tbilisi – Tskhrajvari – Shou
8:30 AM - pickup from Tbilisi. From Tbilisi we drive towards Racha, to the mountain village Shou for approximately 5.5 hours. In case the weather is good, (good visibility) we make a small detour (approx. 2 km hike) on our way towards the Tskhrajvari viewpoint, situated on the western slope of Nakeralia mountain range, at about 1350 m above sea level. Tskhrajvari offers panoramic views over the surrounding area. Our end point resort Shou (1650 m) is famous for its mineral water springs and untouched pine forests.

2 DAY | Shou – Buba Glacier
Hiking distance: 13 km (there and back), 7 hours. Difficulty level: medium.
Hike starts at 8:30 AM. Scenic day hike that starts from Shou resort and follows up Buba’s Tskali gorge towards the glacier. Not very demanding trail, with some great panoramic views and number of mineral springs.

3 DAY | Shou – Udziro Lake
Hiking distance: 11 km, 9-10 hours.
Difficulty level: hard.
4 **DAY 4** Udziro Lake – Glola – Shouli

Hiking distance: 8 km, 5-6 hours.
Difficulty level: medium.

We wake up at 8.00 AM. If weather is good we can enjoy views of the Greater Caucasus Mountains and the major peaks of Svaneti, such as Shkhara, Ushba and Tetnuldi. After breakfast we start tracking towards the Glola village, which is located in 4 km from Shouli, the point where we started our trek. It is worth noting that day 4 is relatively easier, however, there is still a lot of elevation to loose, which puts more strain to the knees. Therefore, one should keep this in mind that it is still a demanding hike, not suitable for everyone.

Pick-up from village Glola – drive back to Hotel in Shouli.

5 **DAY 5** Shouli – Ghebi – Tbilisi

Trip starts at 9.00 AM. On our last trekking day we are going to drive and visit some of the most beautiful mountain villages in upper Racha, including Chiora, Ghebi – which has become a basecamp for many interesting off-the beaten hikes, and village Gona, which is known for its close-up views of Caucasus summits and is often referred as ‘Georgian Switzerland’.

After lunch we depart for Tbilisi.

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**TREK GRADE: EASY**

**UNESCO ARRIVAL**

**INCLUDES**
- a/c comfortable car – days 1-5;
- Professional trekking-guide service – all days
- Professional driver service – days 1,2 & 4,5
- Additional – (from 6 people group and up)
- 4 x breakfasts (days 2-5);
- 5 x lunches (days 1-5);
- 4 x dinners (day 1-4);
- 3 bottles of mineral water per person per day
- 3 x overnights in Sunset Shouli Hotel (Day 1,2,4).
- 1 x overnight in Tent (day 3).
- Souvenir Map of Georgia
- Trekking equipment: tents, sleeping pads

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- Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi
- Metekhi church
- Narikala Fortress
- Legutakhevi
- Sulfur Bathhouse District
- Shardeni street
- Meidan square
- Bridge of Peace
- National Museum of Georgia
- Rustaveli Avenue
- Mount Mtatsminda
- Mtatsminda park
- Tbilisi funicular

KAKHETI REGION
- David Gareja semi-desert
- David Gareja Monastery
- Signagi
- Bodbe monastery
- Nekresi monastery
- Gremi Citadel and Royal Residence
- House Museum of Al. Chavchavadze
- Kuetera Church

KHEVI REGION
- Ananuri Architectural Complex
- Kazbegi town
- Gergeti Holy Trinity Church
- Alpine village Juta
- Hike to the foothills of Chaukhi glacier

KARTLI REGION
- Gori town
- House Museum of Joseph Stalin
- Uplistsikhe Cave Complex

IMERETI REGION
- Kutaisi city
- Sataplia Nature Reserve
- Gelati Academy and Monastery
- Bagrati Cathedral

SAMTSKHE-JAVAKHETI REGION
- Borjomi spa-resort
- Borjomi Central Park
- Akhaltsikhe town
- Rabati Castle
- Vardzia Cave Monastery
- Khertvisi Fortress
- Dashbashi Canyons

Day to Day Itinerary

1st DAY | Tbilisi International Airport – Tbilisi
Arrival at Tbilisi International Airport. Transfer to the hotel. Free time.

2nd DAY | Tbilisi free day
Day 2 is a free day to explore Tbilisi city on your own. Suggested program for this day.
First, visit the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi (‘Sameba’) – main cathedral of Georgian Orthodox Church and one of the tallest orthodox churches in the world. Continue the city tour to Narikala fortress – ancient fortification located on the mountain overlooking the city. Narikala can be reached by the aerial tramway from Rike Park. Enjoy panoramic views over the city and stroll down to the old town. Legutokhevi canyon and waterfall, Sulfur Bathhouse District, Shardeni street and Meidan Square. From Meidan square continue city tour to the...
Georgian National Museum – the biggest museum of the country with numerous rich historical, ethnographic, archaeological and art collections. Afterwards you can visit Mount Mtatsminda and a park located on top of it, which can be reached by funicular. In the evening have dinner at Georgian traditional restaurant accompanied with a folk show.

3. DAY | Tbilisi – David Gareja – Signagi
- After breakfast at the hotel drive to the east, to Kakheti region and visit David Gareja Monastery. Complex integrates hundreds of rock-hewn cells, living areas, churches and chapels. David Gareja monastery of Laura was founded in the 6th c., by St. David Garejeli, one of the Assyrian monks who arrived in Georgia to spread Christianity in region.
- Continue your trip in Kakheti – main wine-producing region of Georgia, and arrive in Signagi. Signagi is a small town located on the south-eastern hills of Gombori mountain range overlooking valley of river Alazani and surrounded by the defensive curtain walls from the 18th century.

- From Signagi you can visit Bodbe Monastery, located in 2 km from the town. Monastery was originally built in the 9th c. as a Marian chapel and is a popular pilgrimage site for Georgians and as well as travelers, as it is closely associated with St. Nino from Cappadocia, a 4th apostle who preached Christianity in Georgia.
- From Bodbe continue to Nekresi monastery and the architectural monument of Gremi Royal Citadel and Church of Archangels. This is a remnant of a medieval town of Gremi that functioned as the capital of Kingdom of Kakheti in the 16th-17th centuries.
- Next visit House Museum of Alexander Chavchavadze in village Tsinandali. Chavchavadze was a 19th century Georgian nobleman, general, romanticist poet and a public figure. Alexander Chavchavadze introduced western ways of wine-making in Georgia and established the winery and decorative garden in Tsinandali, which is now turned into a museum.
- Arrive in Telavi.

5. DAY | Telavi – Akhmeta – Ananuri – Kazbegi
- From Telavi drive towards Khevi province – located to the north-west from Kakheti, in the Greater Caucasus Mountains. On your way make a stop at Kuetera Church near town Akhmeta, built in the 10th century, and Ananuri Architectural Complex, situated near Zhinvali Reservoir. Ananuri complex integrates a fortress, church, and residential buildings of Aragvi Ersta (dukes of Aragvi), local feudals from 17th-18th centuries. Continue driving on the Georgian Military Road towards Kazbegi town (Stephantsminda), administrative center of Khevi region.
- After breakfast take a moderate hike (approximately 2 hours) to Mount Gergeti, and visit Gergeti Trinity Church (14th c.). Church stands at an elevation of 2170 meters, overlooking town Kazbegi and the surrounding area. Drive to Kazbegi town and head to Juta alpine village, located in 20 km from the town. From Juta it is possible to hike up to the foothills of Chaukhi Glacier (10 kms/ 4 hrs/ easy hike). Return to Kazbegi in the evening.

7. DAY | Kazbegi – Gori – Uplistsikhe – Kutaisi
- On day 7 drive to the town of Gori, Kartli region. Visit one of the main highlights of the town – House Museum of Joseph Stalin. Museum consists of the memorial house, expositions, tower and Stalin’s various personal belongings.
- Afterwards, head to the Uplistsikhe Cave Complex, which is situated near Gori and dates back to 1st millennium BC. Uplistsikhe is an ancient cave town that served as an important political, economic and religious center of the region in the pre-Christian times. Complex is hewn in rock and consists of numerous chambers, caves, tunnels, streets and walls.
- After sightseeing Kartli head to the west, to Imereti region and arrive in Kutaisi, major city of Imereti and third largest city of Georgia. You can make couple of stops on the way and visit pottery and farmers’ markets at the Rikoti Pass. Evening arrival in Kutaisi.

8. DAY | Kutaisi–Sataplia–Bagrati–Gelati–Kutaisi
- Today we suggest to start the trip with visiting natural wonder of Imereti – Sataplia Nature Reserve. Sataplia is famous for its karst caves, relic forests and well-preserved footprints of dinosaurs.
- From Sataplia head to the major historical and architectural monuments of Kutaisi: Gelati Academy and Monastery and Bagrati Cathedral, both of which are included in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites list.

9. DAY | Kutaisi – Borjomi
- After breakfast drive towards Borjomi spa-resort. Borjomi is a small town noted for its protected areas and mineral water industry. You can take a walk in the Borjomi Central Park and taste natural sparkling mineral waters from the springs. Mineral waters of Borjomi have been famous since the early 19th c. and are still exported to the different countries world.

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10 DAY | Borjomi – Akhaltsikhe – Vardzia
Continue the trip to Akhaltsikhe on day 10. Akhaltsikhe is a historical town with Rabati Castle in its center. Rabati complex consists of the castle of 14th c., several churches, a mosque, synagogue, and a museum, which houses different manuscript, book, photo, archaeological and numismatic collections.
Continue exploration of Samtskhe-Javakheti province and drive along the river Mtkvari to Vardzia Cave Monastery. Vardzia is a rock-hewn complex located on the slopes of Erusheti mountains. Complex was established during the Georgian Golden Age, by Queen Tamar of Georgia. Complex integrates numerous tunnels, cells, chambers, chapels, etc.
On your way to Vardzia you can make a short stop at another historical monument located in the gorge of river Mtkvari – Khertvisi fortress.

11 DAY | Vardzia–Dashbashi Canyon–Tbilisi
On day 11 after breakfast drive towards Tbilisi. On the way you can visit Dashbashi Canyons – a natural monument carved by river Ktsia, which cuts through the volcanic plateau, near town Tsalka, Javakheti province.

TREK GRADE: EASY

12 DAY | Tbilisi – Tbilisi International Airport
Breakfast. Transfer to Tbilisi International Airport. Departure.

INCLUDES
- 2 airport transfers from/to Tbilisi hotel from/to Tbilisi airport – days 1, 12
- Self-drive vehicle (4x4) – max. capacity 4 people – days 2-11
- 3 x nights-Tbilisi 3* hotel
- 1 x night- Signagi 3* hotel
- 1 x nights- Telavi guesthouse
- 2 x nights- Kazbegi guesthouse
- 2 x nights- Kutaisi hotel 3*
- 1 x nights- Borjomi hotel 3*
- 2 x nights- Vardzia guesthouse
- 11 x Breakfasts-on days 2-12
- 3 x dinners at the guesthouse – on days 5, 6, 10
- Route map (Google maps)
- Local sim card with preloaded balance: 4 GB mobile internet & 10 GEL for local/international calls
- 24/7 assistance of local operator
- Entrance fees in accordance with the program
- Glass of wine in Tsinandali (for 2 people)
- All local taxes

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From Khevi travelers can drive to the lowlands of Kartli and Imereti regions and visit their main historical, architectural and natural monuments. After visiting Imereti, you can continue exploration of the west part of Georgia and drive to Svaneti – another region located in the Caucasus mountains. Svaneti is noted for its authentic well-preserved local culture and alpine landscapes.

Finalize the trip by visiting Samtkhe-Javakheti region, located in the southern parts of the country.

**MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:**

**KAKHETI REGION**
- David Gareja semi-desert
- David Gareja Monastery
- Signagi
- Bodbe monastery
- Nekresi monastery
- Gremi Citadel and Royal Residence
- House Museum of Alexander Chauchavadze in Tsinandali
- Kueteria Church

**KHEVI REGION:**
- Ananuri Architectural Complex
- Gergeti Holy Trinity Church
- alpine village Juta
- hike to the foothills of Chaukhi

**KARTLI REGION**
- Gori town
- House Museum of Joseph Stalin
- Uplistsikhe Cave Complex

**IMERETI REGION**
- Kutaisi city
- Rikoti pass
- Sataplia karst caves and Nature Reserve
- Gelati Academy and Monastery
- Bagrati Cathedral

**SAMTSKHE-JAVAKHETI REGION**
- Borjomi spa-resort
- Borjomi Central Park
- Akhaltsikhe

**SVANETI REGION**
- Rabati Castle
- Vardzia Cave Monastery
- Khertvisi Fortress
- Dashbashi Canyon

**SAMEGRELÔ REGION:**
- Zugdidi
- Dadiani Palace
- Martvili Canyon

**DAY TO DAY ITINERARY**

1. **DAY 1 | Tbilisi - Arrival**
   - Arrival and transfer to the hotel. Free time.

2. **DAY 2 | Tbilisi free day**
   - Day 2 is a free day that can be used to explore Tbilisi on your own.

3. **DAY 3 | Tbilisi - David Gareja - Signagi**
   - On day 3 we suggest to drive to Kakheti, and first, David Gareja Monastery Complex. Complex integrates hundreds of cells, living areas, churches and chapels all cut in rocks. Part of the complex is also located in Azerbaijan. David Gareja monastery of Laura was founded in the 6th c. by St. David Garejeli, one of the Assyrian monks who arrived in Georgia to spread Orthodox Christianity in regions. Continue trip to Kakheti – major wine-producing region of Georgia – and arrive in town Signagi. Signagi is a small town located on the hills of Gombori mountain range, surrounded by the medieval defensive curtain walls from the 18th c.

4. **DAY 4 | Signagi-Nekresi-Gremi-Tsinandali-Telavi**
   - After breakfast drive to Bodbe monastery. Monastery was originally built in the 9th c., and is located in 2 km from Signagi town. Nowadays it functions as a nunnery and is a popular pilgrimage site for Georgians, as well as travelers. Bodbe Monastery is closely associated with...
5th century apostle St. Nino who spread Christianity in the region. Continue exploration of Kakheti to Nekresi monastery. Monastic complex is situated on an elevated place on the southern foothills of the Caucasus Mountains, surrounded by forests. From Nekresi head to Gremi Royal Citadel and Church of Archangels. Monument is the remnant of medieval town of Gremi, which functioned as a capital of Kakheti Kingdom. Next visit House Museum of Alexander Chauchavadze in village Tsnandalagvi – 19th century Georgian aristocrat, military and public figure who was familiar with European ways of wine-making and established the winery and decorative garden in Tsnandalagvi. His residence now functions as a museum. From Tsnandalagvi drive to Telavi.

5th DAY | Telavi – Akhmeta – Ananuri – Kazbegi
On day 5 leave Telavi and drive to the north-west, to Khevi province. On the way we suggest to make several stops. First, at Kvetera Church – a 10th century monument near town Akhmeta. Afterwards, near Zhinvali Reservoir, and pay a visit to Ananuri Architectural Complex, a complex that integrates medieval fortress, churches and residential buildings. Ananuri served as a town and residence of local feudals – Aragvi Eristavi (dukes of Aragvi). Continue driving on Georgian Military Road and through the Jvari Pass arrive in town Kazbegi (Stephantsminda), administrative center of a mountainous province of Georgia – Khevi.

6th DAY | Kazbegi–Gergeti–Juta–Chaukhi–Kazbegi
We suggest travelers to dedicate day 6 to the exploration of the Caucasus Mountains. After breakfast take a moderate hike (approx. 2 hours) to Mount Gergeti, and visit Gergeti Trinity Church (14th c.) that stands on top of it. Return to Kazbegi town and drive to Juta alpine village, located in 20 km from the town, at an elevation of 2200 meters. From Juta it is possible to hike up to the foothills of Chaukhi Glacier (10 kms/ 4 hrs/ easy hike).

7th DAY | Kazbegi – Gori – Uplistsikhe – Kutaisi
After breakfast leave Khevi and head to Gori, a town located at the heart of Kartli region. Visit one of the most popular tourist attractions of the town – House Museum of Joseph Stalin. Another highlight of the region – Uplistsikhe Cave Complex, located in about 15 km from Gori. Uplistsikhe is an ancient rock-heun town spread on approximately 8 ha. Dated back to the 1st millennium BC, complex integrates number of caves, chambers, tunnels, streets etc. Continue journey from Kartli to the west parts of Georgia, and arrive in Kutaisi – center of Imereti region and third largest city in Georgia. We suggest to make couple of stops on the way, near Rikoti Pass, and visit local pottery and farmers’ market.

8th DAY | Kutaisi–Sataplia–Zugdidi–Mestia
We suggest travelers to visit the major natural and historical monuments of Imereti and Samegrelo regions on day 8. First, head to Sataplia Natural Reserve. Sataplia is famous for its relict Colchic forests, well-preserved dinosaur footprints and deep karst caves. Second, drive to Zugdidi, administrative center of Samegrelo region and visit Dadiani Palaces and its History and Architectural Museum. Palaces once served as residences of the Mingrelian princes and nobleman – house of Dadiani. The museum was established in the middle of the 19th c. by Prince David Dadiani. From Zugdidi continue driving north, towards the mountainous province Svaneti. You can make a short stop near the Enguri Dam, one of the highest concrete arch dams in the world, built on Enguri river. Eventually, arrive in town Mestia – administrative center of Svaneti province.

9th DAY | Mestia – Ushguli – Mestia
After breakfast at the hotel start a full-day exploration of the Svaneti region. Drive on 4x4 vehicles to the Ushguli Community – one of the highest continuously inhabited places in Europe, which integrates in total 5 villages and is located on 2060-2200 meters above sea level. Ushguli is recognized by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site. Like other Svan villages, remote location of Ushguli, as well as other Svan villages, is one of the reasons why its communities have well-preserved authentic culture and architecture. Road to Ushguli goes through the villages Ipari and Kala. We suggest to make a stop there and visit old churches with medieval murals and frescos. It is also possible to make a short hike towards the foothills of Shkhara Glacier (5068 m), highest peak in Georgia.

10th DAY | Mestia
Day 10 can be a free day dedicated for leisure and short sightseeing of Mestia town. After breakfast visit Svaneti Museum of History and Ethnography. Museum integrates six halls of permanent exhibitions, housing numerous medieval artifacts, such as old manuscripts, ceramics, coins, jewelry, Georgian Orthodox icons of authentic Svan style etc. Afterwards travelers can use free time to explore Mestia.
11 DAY | Mestia – Martvili Canyon – Kutaisi
After breakfast drive to Martvili – a small town in Samegrelo-Zemo Svaneti province, western Georgia. Main highlight of Martvili is Martvili Canyon – a deep gorge cut by the river Abasha. Visitors can take a boat tour and sightsee the canyon, its caves and waterfalls. Return to Kutaisi in the evening.

12 DAY | Kutaisi – Bagrati – Gelati – Borjomi
We suggest travelers to visit historical monuments of Kutaisi on day 12. After breakfast visit Bagrati Cathedral. Built in the 11th century, cathedral is situated in the central location of the city on Ukimioni hill and represents medieval Georgian church architecture style. Bagrati Cathedral is recognized by the UNESCO as a World Heritage Sites and it is considered as a symbol of Kutaisi city. From Bagrati drive to the Gelati Academy and Monastery located near the city. Gelati complex was built in the 12th century by the most prominent king in Georgian history – David IV (David the Builder). The interior of the main church has well-preserved frescos and mosaics. Together with Bagrati Cathedral, Gelati is also included in UNESCO World Heritage list. After visiting two monuments of Kutaisi, depart for Borjomi spa-resort. Borjomi is a small resort famous for its unique nature and mineral water industry. You can take a walk in the Borjomi Central Park and taste sparkling mineral waters from the springs.

13 DAY | Borjomi – Akhaltsikhe – Vardzia
Continue the trip to Akhaltsikhe, a historical town of Samtskhe-Javakheti region. Main highlight of the town is Rabati Castle. Complex consists of a medieval castle, several churches, a mosque, a synagouge, and a museum. Rabati museum presents manuscripts, old printed books, photographic, archaeological and numismatic collections etc. Continue exploration of Samtskhe-Javakheti province and drive along the river Mtkvari towards Vardzia Cave Monastery. On the way you can stop by the ancient Khertvisi fortress, located in the Mtkvari gorge. Afterwards arrive in Vardzia – a cave monastic complex established in the Georgian Golden Era, 12th century, by the Queen Tamar of Georgia. Completely hewn in rock, Vardzia integrates numerous cells, chambers, chapels and tunnels.

14 DAY | Vardzia – Dashbashi Canyon – Tbilisi
On day 14 after breakfast drive to Tbilisi. On the way make a stop near the town Tsalka and visit Dashbashi Canyon – a natural monument carved by the river Ktsia on a plateau of volcanic origin. After visiting Dashbashi, drive to Tbilisi.

15 DAY | Tbilisi – Tbilisi International Airport
Breakfast. Transfer to Tbilisi International Airport. Departure.

INCLUDES
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- Self-drive vehicle (4x4) – max. capacity 4 people – days 2-14
- 3 x nights-Tbilisi 3* hotel
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- 1 x nights- Telavi guesthouse
- 2 x nights- Kazbegi guesthouse
- 2 x nights- Kutaisi hotel 3*
- 3 x nights- Mestia guesthouse
- 1 x nights- Borjomi hotel 3*
- 2 x nights- Vardzia guesthouse
- 14 x Breakests-on days 2-15
- 6 x dinners at the guesthouse – on days 5, 6, 8-10, 13
- Route map (Google maps)
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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS & SITES:

SAMEGRELO REGION
- Lugela Gorge
- Gualashara & Gunji Waterfalls
- Tobavarchkhili Toba waterfall
- Sea resort Anaklia
- Martuli Canyon

IMERETI REGION
- Rikoti pass
- Okatse Canyon
- Prometheus cave

GRADE: MODERATE TO HARD
Max Altitude: 2600 m
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DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

1 DAY | Tbilisi arrival
Driving distance: 25 km, 0.5 h.
Arrival in Tbilisi International Airport. Transfer to the Hotel.

2 DAY | Tbilisi – Okatse* – Martuli
Driving distance: 308 km, 5 h.
Hiking: 8 Km, ↑ 300 m / ↓300 m, 2.5 h.
After breakfast we drive towards the historical province of western Georgia – Samegrelo. Lunch stop at local restaurant for traditional Mingrelian food, famous for its variety of spicy and hot dishes. Afterwards, we are going to visit famous Okatse Canyon with panoramic views, pass through the historical Dadiani forest and take a walk on its hanging cliff trail arriving at the final viewpoint. Continue to Martuli for hotel check-in.

3 DAY | Martuli-Mukhuri-Natipuru–1St Campsite
Driving distance: 72 km, 5 h (part off-road).
Hiking: 4 Km, ↑ 336 m / ↓ 197 m, 1.5 h.
Start at 8.30 AM. After a light breakfast, we are going to continue for our 5 days trekking in the mountains of Egrisi. The trail crosses small mountain river and enters into alpine zone. After about 3-hour hike, we are going to approach a steep pass that lies right before the first alpine lake where we set up the camp. Keep in mind that the other side of the pass is permanently covered in snow and ice, so going down is a bit tricky, even in summer periods.

4 DAY | 1st Campsite – Small Lake (Okhoje)
Hiking: 6 km, ↑ 818 m / ↓ 289 m, 4-5 h.
Start at 9.00 AM. After a light breakfast, we are going to approach a steep pass that lies right before the first alpine lake where we set up the camp. Keep in mind that the other side of the pass is permanently covered in snow and ice, so going down is a bit tricky, even in summer periods.

5 DAY | Small Lake (Okhoje) – Big Tobavarchkhili Lake
Hiking (a): 5 km, ↑ 393 m / ↓ 288 m, 2.5 h
Hiking (b): 5.8 km, ↑ 691 m / ↓ 695 m, 3.5 h
After a short hike towards the largest of two neighboring lake, the ‘Big’ or ‘Greater Tobavarchkhili’ lake, we will set up a camp and spend most of the day exploring the
surrounding area (Hike ‘b’) and small alpine lakes nearby (Didghele, Kaliashi and Tsakatskali). Arguably, this is one of the best camping spots in Georgia. Despite the fact that lakes might be ice cold even during the hot August days, one should not the opportunity to swim there. Dinner at the campsite.

6 DAY  Big Tobavarchkhili Lake - Shepherds’ Hut
Hiking: 8 km, ↑208 m / ↓1550 m, 4 h
After breakfast, we will again cross a small pass and head down towards the beginning of Khobiistkali gorge to visit a couple of smaller mountain lakes. A few kilometers later the trail heads back and down in the direction of the Magana river valley, where we make a stop close to a 40 meters high waterfall and enjoy a snack. If we are lucky we are going to meet local shepherds, stop for a chat and watch them making traditional Mingrelian dish called Elarji, made from coarse cornmeal, corn flour and Sulguni cheese.

7 DAY  Shepherds’ Hut – Kirnakho
Hiking: 12 km, ↑962 m / ↓693 m, 5 h
From the Dzhikhiri campsite, our path crosses the right bank of the Magana River, and heads down towards the Jalari campsite. After climbing up on a mountain slope we will start walking on an old dirt road along the valley of river Tskhvashela, until reaching the campsite called Kirnakho.

8 DAY  Kirnakho - Squri – Anaklia
Hiking: 11 km, ↑118 m / ↓1264 m 3.5 hours.
Driving distance: 70 km, 1.5 h.
Easiest, and the final day of our trekking follows the old dirt road in direction of soviet-era resort Squri, where we will be picked up and transferred to the seaside Hotel.

INCLUDES
- 2 x transfer from Tbilisi airport: 1 & 10.
- a/c comfortable car – days 2,3,8 & 9.
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- Professional trekking-guide service – 2-8.
- Professional driver service – days 2,3,8 & 9.
- Additional trekking guide per additional 6 pax after 12 pp.
- Additional cook (from 6 people group and up) – days – 2-8.
- 9 x breakfasts (days 2-9).
- 16 x lunch/diner picnics (days 2-9).
- 4 x dinners (days 1,2,8 & 9).
- 3 bottles of mineral water per person per day.
- 1 x overnight in Tbilisi Laerton 4* Hotel or similar (Day 1 & 9).
- 1 x overnight in Martvili Palace 3* Hotel (Day 2).
- 1 x overnight in Anaklia Golden Feleece 4* hotel (day 8).
- 5 x overnights in tents (Days 3-7).
- Okatse Canyon.
- Martvili Canyon.
- Souvenir Map of Georgia
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In case of cancellation not depending on Georgian Holidays, the following sums are kept back as a fine:
Non-refundable booking deposit: 30 € per person for Private Cultural & Adventure Tours and a special sum that is applied to Guaranteed and Special Tours.
10% of total cost in case of cancellation 10 days prior to the tour.
50% of total cost in case of cancellation 5-9 days prior to the tour.
90% of total cost in case of cancellation 4 and few days prior to the tour.
99% of total cost in case of no-show.