# Mtskheta, Gori and Uplistsikhe Tour Cultural & Sightseeing Tours

## **Overview**

## Mtskheta, Gori and Uplistsikhe Trip

Starts from: Tbilisi Available: All year

Type: Private full day cultural tour Total driving distance: 192 km

Duration: 8 hours

A private full-day tour from Tbilisi includes historical monuments of **Mtskheta**, remarkable for UNESCO World Heritage sites - **Svetitskhoveli** and **Jvari**, **Gori** - a small town that lies at the heart of **Kartli** region - the birthplace of soviet dictator Joseph Stalin, and last but not least, **Uplistsikhe** - an ancient cave town that was once an important cultural center of pre-Christian **Kartli** kingdom.

This tour will make your day, have a nice trip!

## Tour details

Code: GH-75

• Starts from: Tbilisi

Max. Group Size: 15 Adults

Duration: Full Day

#### **Prices**

# **Sights to Visit**

- Svetitskhoveli Cathedral
- Jvari Monastery
- Uplistsikhe Caves
- Uplistsikhe Museum
- Ioseb Stalin State Museum
- Gori
- Kartli
- Mtskheta
- Mtskheta Monuments

## **Itinerary**

## Tbilisi-Mtskheta-Gori-Uplistsikhe-Tbilisi

Total driving distance: 216 km (3 h 41 min)

9:00 - Morning guide will meet you at the hotel lobby holding the name board, pick-up, and drive out of the city.

First stop is at <u>Jvari Monastery</u> located on top of a mountain. Here, we have introductory story of the area and wonderful panorama over the **Armazi Mountains** and the town of <u>Mtskheta</u>, confluence of two rivers **Aragvi** and <u>Mtkvari</u>. This 6th c early Christian masterpiece represents the best sample how harmoniously architecture and landscape could interrelate.

Drive towards **Gori** - the town that lies at the center of **Kartli** region. **Gori** was an important military stronghold in the Middle Ages. Visit Stalin's House Museum. Excursion in the museum of the Soviet era will take about 30 minutes. The museum consists of 3 sites: main building contains items related to his life, the house where he was born, and his personal railway carriage.

Next place to visit is the ancient cave town **Uplistsikhe** "Fortress of the Lord", an ancient town carved in rock and located in 14 kilometers east of town **Gori**. The echoing halls, long meandering corridor-streets, chambers for pagan worship and even the remains of the oldest theatre in **Georgia**, all carved into the rocky plateau are waiting for you to be explored.

After completing the tour in **Uplistsikhe** drive back to **Tbilisi**. On the way pass through **Mtskheta town**, walk a little, and pay a visit to its second UNESCO World Heritage Site - **Svetitskhoveli Cathedral**. Enjoy relaxing evening and taste local sweets at the souvenir shopping rows.

Evening arrival to the hotel.

# Inclusions

# Included

## **Transportation:**

• Private Transportation

#### Staff:

• Professional private guide/driver

## Other:

- All entrance fees per program
- 2 x bottles Water per person
- All local taxes

# **Excluded**

- Personal expenses & Beverages
- \*Optional service

## **More Info**

## **Additional Info**

To arrange airport transfers and hotel overnights, contactus at info[at]georgianholidays.com

1 person from the group will be FREE of charge if 10 and more adults are traveling together

# **Cancellation Policy**

Cancellation is free of charge prior 2 days of the startingday.

• The booking deposit 15 USD is non-refundable.

If Tourist cancels the booked tour for some reasons not depending on Tour Operator, the following sums are kept back as a fine:

- 50% of the total cost of tourist product in case of tour cancellation 2 days or less prior to the tour;
- 100% of the total cost of the tourist product due to the Tourist's failure to appear.

# **Gallery**











