Racha Wine Tour 2 Days

Wine Tours & Tastings

Overview

Racha Wine Tour

Starts from: Kutaisi

Available: from mid-April to mid-Oct

Duration: 2 days

Type: Private wine tour

Total Distance: 236 km

This two-day wine tour is a perfect gateway for an authentic wine adventure to **Racha** - unique macrozone in Caucasus mountains of Georgia. Vineyards are located in a small area on Ri**oni** river gorge, producing unique grape varieties and distinctive wines.

During the tour, we visit two wineries: Terjola in **Imereti** region and Ambroulauri district in **Racha** region. Learn about the characters of **Racha** viticulture, wine-producing traditions and history of the region`s most signature semi-sweet wine Khvanchkara.

Tour details

- Code: GH-117
- Starts from: Kutaisi
- Max. Group Size: 15 Adults
- Duration: 2 Days

Prices

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Sights to Visit

- Royal Khvanchkara
- Racha
- Imereti
- Ambrolauri

Itinerary

Day 1: Kutaisi-Banoja-Sazano-Sadmeli

Driving distance: 139 km

The guide will pick you up from Kutaisi hotel. As the tour is private, we start upon your convenience.

Before heading to the wine region of **Racha**, visit 2 wineries in **Imereti**.

First, drive to village Banoja in Mate's wine cellar , located on the way to Sataplia Nature Reserve and Prometheus Cave. Visit a traditional western-type family wine cellar, and taste three kinds of homemade wine.

The second place for wine tasting is in the village **Sazano**, **Imereti** region. This area can be considered as a transition vine-growing zone between **Imereti** and **Racha**. In Sazano wine cellar we are served exclusive wines, produced from rare and unique grape varieties. Lunch and wine tasting at a local host family.

Continue the tour towards the north, passing by mining town **Tkibuli**, **Nakerala** mountain pass (1218 m) with amazing panoramic views, and **Shaori** Reservoir. On this picturesque way we make several stops for leisure until we reach **Sad Meli** winery. A cozy family wine cellar is in 10 km from **Ambrolauri** town. **Sad Meli** winery uses traditional qvevri for winemaking and storing. Fertile soil and humid climate with medium cold winters contribute to the quality and exclusiveness of vines here.

Wine tasting and dinner is served by host.

Overnight at Sad Meli Guesthouse (or similar).

Day 2: Sadmeli-Chrebalo-Dzirageuli-Ambrolauri-Kutaisi

Breakfast at the guesthouse.

Driving Distance: 108 km

Drive to village **Chrebalo**, **Khvanchkara** microzone, in order to discover a small boutique wine cellar with the same geographical name **Chrebalo.** Cellar is specialized producing limited wines of the **Racha-Lechkhumi** zones. Vineyards are spread on the right bank of **RiOni river,** across the mountainous village **Joshka**. The company aims to revive rare grape varieties and promote traditional winemaking in the region. Here you are offered to taste 3 types of wine and local snacks.

Next site to visit is a small family-owned winery **Chateau Dio** in the village **Dzirabauli**, 4 km away from town **Ambrolauri**. The host shows his winery and conducts wine tasting.

Exploration of **Racha** viticultural region ends in **Royal Khanchkara Winery**, producing premium semi-sweet Georgian wines: Khvanchkara (PDO, Blend of Aleksandrouli and Mujuretuli grapes), Usakhelauri (made from Usakhelauri grapes), Tvishi (PDO, made from Tsolikauri grape variety).

In the evening drive back to Kutaisi.

Drop off to the hotel. End of Service.

Inclusions

Included

Transportation:

- Private transportation with comfortable A/C car

Staff:

- Professional private guide service
- Professional private driver service

Accommodation:

- 1 x night-Sadmeli Guesthouse or similar

Meals:

- 1 x overnight in Sadmeli Guesthouse (or similar)
- 1 x breakfast
- 2 x lunches in wine cellars
- 1 x dinner

Wine tasting:

- Mate’s Wine Cellar
- Sazano Wine Cellar
- Sad Meli Winery
- Chrebalo Wine Cellar
- Chateau Dio
- Royal Khavnchkara winery

Other:

- 2 x bottles water per person daily
- All local taxes

Excluded

- Personal expenses & services not mentioned in this program

More Info

Additional Info

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

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

NOTE: Legal drinking age in Georgia is 18 years.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellation is free of charge prior 5 days of the starting day.

- The booking deposit 30 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 5 days or less prior to the tour;
- 100% of the total cost of the tourist product due to the Tourist's failure to appear.

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