# 2 Day Kakheti Exploration City Breaks

#### **Overview**

## **Kakheti** Exploration

Starts from: TBILISI

Duration: 2 DAY/1 Night Private Tour: City Break Available to travel: All Year

Distance: 435 km

The private tour takes you to the magnificent, picturesque valleys and historical monuments. Enjoy panoramic views in **David Gareja** semi-desert and visit Lavra caves. Take a walk in **Telavi** and Signagi, a medieval small towns surrounded by 18th c. defensive wall, drive through the Alazani vineyards, enjoy the sightseeing of ancient historical monuments in **Kakheti** – **Gremi** Royal Residence, Batonistsikhe and Alaverdi Cathedral.

## Tour details

• Code: GH-59

Starts from: Tbilisi

Max. Group Size: 15 Adults

• Duration: 2 Days

## **Prices**

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# **Sights to Visit**

- David Gareja
- Bodbe Monastery
- Tsinandali Museum
- Alaverdi Cathedral
- Gremi Fortress
- Sighnaghi
- Telavi
- Batonis Tsikhe
- Kakheti

## **Itinerary**

## Day 1: Tbilisi-David Gareja-Bodbe-Signagi

Morning pick-up from the hotel and departure from **Tbilisi** to the eastern province of **Georgia** – <u>Kakheti</u>. We drive to <u>David Gareja</u> semi-desert, partially through ground roads. Have excursions in <u>David Gareja</u> caves and monastery of Lavra, founded in the 6th c. by one of the Assyrian fathers who arrived in **Georgia** in order to spread Orthodox (Eastern) Christianity.

After visiting the first site, drive to **Bodbe** – beautiful nunnery located near town **Signagi**. Bodbe Monastery built in the 9th c. was significantly renovated in 17th c. Nowadays, the monastery is one of the major pilgrimage sites in **Georgia**. The relics of the female evangelist St. Nino are rested in Bodbe.

Afterward, visit **Signagi** – often referred to as the "City of Love". The town is located on the hills of the **Gombori Mountains**, at the heart of the **Kakheti** region, overlooking the valley of river **Alazani**. The 18th c. defensive curtain walls surround the town. Enjoy the beautiful views over the **Alazani River** valley and the Great **Caucasus Mountains**.

Overnight in Sighnaghi.

# Day 2: Sighnaghi-Tsinandali-Telavi-Gremi-Alaverdi-Tbilisi

After breakfast drive to Tsinandali and visit the housemuseum of Alexander Chavchavadze (Georgian poet and nobleman). The Museum has 19th c beautifully decorated garden around. Here, Chavchavadze's family entertained guests with music, and finest wines made at Tsinandali winery. Excursion in the museum and taste a glass of Tsinandali cellar wine will take about 30 minutes.

Drive to <u>Telavi</u> – administrative center of <u>Kakheti</u> and an old royal town. Batonis Tsikhe - the palace of Great King Erekle II is located on the main square. Visit the palace and continue to the remains of another old capital of <u>Kakheti</u> Kingdom- <u>Gremi</u>, dating back to the 16th-17th cc. The beautifully painted Church of the Archangels and the royal citadel are the main landmarks in this medieval town.

From Gremi continue to another important monument nearby - Alaverdi monastery 11 th c.

Evening arrival in **Tbilisi**.

# **Inclusions**

## **Included**

## **Transportation:**

Private transportation with a comfortable vehicle

#### **Private Staff:**

• Professional guide service during the tour

## **Accommodation:**

• 1 x overnight in Sighnaghi 3\* hotel Brigitte or similar

#### Meals:

• 1 x breakfast day 2

#### Other:

- 2 x bottles of water per person daily
- Excursions in accordance fees with accordance of the program
- All taxes

## **Excluded**

- Alcoholic Beverages & Personal expenses
- Lunches & Dinners

## **More Info**

## **Additional Info**

To arrange airport transfers and additional hotel overnights, contact us **info [at]georgianholidays.com** 

## **Cancellation Policy**

Cancellation is free of charge prior 5 days of the startingday.

• 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.

# **Gallery**









