

# Day trip to Vani

## Cultural & Sightseeing Tours

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### Overview

#### DAY TRIP TO [VANI](#), GEGUTI & VARTSIKHE

**Starts from:** Kutaisi

**Available:** All Year

**Driving distance:** 82 km (1 hr 45 min)

**Type:** Private Full day trip

**Duration:** 6 hours

If you are interested in archaeology and ancient history of European civilization, this private tour to [Vani](#) town from **Kutaisi** city is right for you!

This itinerary includes visiting beautiful, exceptional archaeological museum of [Vani](#), ruins of [Geguti Royal Palace](#) and experience family lunch on the way back to **Kutaisi** in lovely, hospitable family **winery of Vartsikhe**.

We are happy to assist you discovering all hidden gems of [Imereti](#) region.

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### Tour details

- Code: GH-62
  - Starts from: Kutaisi
  - Max. Group Size: 15 Adults
  - Duration: Full Day
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### Prices

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### Sights to Visit

- [Vani](#)
  - [Vani Archaeological Site](#)
  - [Imereti](#)
  - [Geguti Royal Palace](#)
  - [Vartsikhe Marani](#)
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## Itinerary

### VANI, GEGUTI AND VARTSIKHE WINERY

10:00 In the morning meet your guide at the hotel lobby.

Drive about 7 km to the South and visit ruins of the medieval **Royal Palace of Geguti**. The importance of the palace is emphasized by its largely secular nature as most of the surviving monuments of medieval Georgian architecture are churches and monasteries. The Palace occupies approximately 2000 m<sup>2</sup> territory. The earliest layers date back to the 8-9th c.c. the main building belongs to 12th c-the period of the reign of King Tamar. This was the place where her former husband, Prince Yuri Rusi (Bogolyubsky), was crowned by the rebellious nobles during an abortive coup against the queen in 1191.

Drive to the small town [Vani](#). Here, you will discover ancient ruins and fragments through the whole town. There were numerous archaeological artifacts found during the excavations, which are proof of cultural development of the site from the 6th c. B.C. up to 1 c. B.C. The exhibits are displayed at [Vani Archeological Museum](#).

Time to have a lunch. **Vartsikhe Winery** will serve homemade traditional dishes and **qvevri wine**.

After the lunch return back to **Kutaisi**.

Have a nice evening!

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## **Inclusions**

## **Included**

### **Transportation:**

- Private transportation with a comfortable vehicle

### **Staff:**

- Professional guide service during the tour
- Private professional driver service

### **Meals:**

- 1 x Lunch in [Vartsikhe](#) winery

### **Other:**

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

## **Excluded**

- Alcohol beverages
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## More Info

## Additional Info

\*OPTIONAL SERVICES:

- Wine tasting in Vartsikhe winery: 12 \$
- Kutaisi airport private pick-up/drop off service: 31 \$
- Discounted double way private transfer to/from Kutaisi airport to/from Kutaisi hotel: 55 \$

To arrange airport transfers and additional hotel overnights, contact us **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 starting day.

- The booking deposit 15 \$ 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.
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