

Three Kingdom of Caucasus



Day 1: Arrival in Tbilisi

- Arrival to TBILISI airport
- After the checking at the passport control and customs you will be welcomed by Georgian guide, have dinner in local restaurant and then transferred to hotel for overnight.



Day 2: Tbilisi-Uplistsikhe-Gori-Ananuri-Gudauri

- Morning drive to **Gori**. Town whose place in infamy is linked to being the birthplace of Joseph Stalin. We'll visit the museum which traces his life from his humble beginnings to his death. The house where he was born and raised is in front of the museum itself. After Stalin museum group will depart to Uplistsikhe cave town, located in 10 km from Gori.
- **Uplistsikhe** - meaning "The Fortress of God", an ancient cave town from the 1st half of the 1st millennium BC situated on the crossroads of important trade routes. It was the main Centre of paganism, and represents a complex of halls, caves, theatres, altars, pagan temples, secret tunnels, prisons, pharmacy, passages-streets all carved out of stone over an area of 4 hectares. At its peak of prosperity, the city had a population of 20 000. In 9th -10th cc AD a three-nave basilica was added to the complex. Lunch will be served at local restaurant in Gori.
- After lunch we will continue our trip to **Gudauri**.
- During the trip will stop in Ananuri to see the incredible 16th century fortress complex built by the warring dukes of Aragvi in an attempt to control the main road. Then continue drive to Gudauri.
- Dinner and overnight at Hotel.



Day 3: Gudauri- Kazbegi- Mtskheta-Tbilisi

- Today we drive north along the famed Georgian **Military Highway**. Completed in 1817 it is the main transport artery linking Georgia with Russia into the mountainous provinces of the Greater Caucasus.
- A few miles north of Gudauri we drive over **Jvari Pass**, which at 2,395m is the highest point on the Military Highway. Arrive in town **Kazbegi**. Here we'll enjoy a view of the mighty snow-capped Mount Mkinvari, an extinct volcano which towers over us at 5,047m. Visit Gergetis sameba church by 4 WD vehicles (5-6 pax in each vehicle).
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- Drive back to Gudauri for lunch. Lunch at hotel restaurant on the way.
- After lunch drive to visit town of **Mtskheta**
- Next stop of the day will be in sacred Mtskheta, the ancient capital of eastern Georgia, at the southern end of the highway. Georgia's conversion to Christianity occurred in Mtskheta in 337 AD and it is considered one of Georgia's most important religious centers. We will visit several of its historic monuments including the beautiful Church of Jvari perched on a cliff overlooking the city, Sveti-Tskhoveli Cathedral, the first Christian church to be built in Georgia and its largest functioning cathedral.
- Dinner at local restaurant in Tbilisi
- Overnight at Hotel in Tbilisi



Day 4: Tbilisi- sightseeing Tour- Signaghi-Tbilisi

- Drive to Signaghi. Visit Bodbe Nunnery (9thc), the place where St. Nino, the 4th.c female evangelist of Georgians is buried. Continue to 18th century Royal town of Signaghi. Surrounded by the longest defensive wall in the region with 23 towers, Signaghi was an important strategic place where on Silk Road route. Lunch at local restaurant or private house winery in Signaghi and have wine tasting and then go back Tbilisi have dinner and overnight in Tbilisi



Day 5: Tbilisi-Sadakhlo-Erevan

- After breakfast morning visit the third largest Eastern-Orthodox church in the world - **Sameba Cathedral** and then go to **Sadakhlo** border. After the checking at the passport control and customs you will be welcomed by **ARMENIA** guide and Then transferred to your hotel for check in.
- Overnight at hotel in Yerevan



Day 6: Yerevan and surroundings sightseeing tour

- Breakfast at the hotel
- In the morning sightseeing of **Echmiadzin** – the holy seat of the Supreme Patriarch-Catholicos of all Armenians. The Cathedral was built in 303 on the site of a pagan temple after the adoption of Christianity as a state religion in 301. Visit St. Hripsime Church (7th century). A few kilometers from Echmiadzin are the ruins of the 7th century AD Temple of **Zvartnots**. Visit Armenia **History Museum**.
- Lunch in a local restaurant.
- Drive through the picturesque **Avan Canyon**, skirting formidable cliffs and passing exotic-looking gorges until a green plateau by the Azat River comes into view. Here, in the harmony of the relief and the virgin nature you will see the pagan **Garni** architectural complex of the 1st century and feel the spirit of ancient ages. Another ten minutes ride through the gorge will take you to the cave monastery of **Geghard** (12th – 13th centuries).
- Dinner at local restaurant.
- Overnight at Hotel in Yerevan



Day 7: Yerevan–Haghpat-Sevan-Sadakhlo border–Signaghi **Don Voyager**

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- Transfer to Alaverdi for visit Haghpat Monastery
- Lunch at local restaurant on the way.
- Border formalities
- To be met by guide at the border.
- Drive to Signagi, overnight Signagi



DAY 8: Signaghi-Lagodekhi border-Sheki sightseeing

- After breakfast go to Lagodekhi border To be met by guide at the border.
- Drive to **Sheki**. Sightseeing tour of Sheki.
- Visit to the local medieval fortress, Sheki Khans' palace, local museum of history.
- Dinner at local restaurant in Sheki
- Overnight at hotel in Sheki



DAY 9: Sheki -Shamakha- Baku sightseeing

- Breakfast at the hotel. We will departure to **BAKU**. On the way to Baku visit to **Diri Baba** mausoleum in Maraza village.
- In **Shamakha** visit to historical mosque Juma (Friday), mausoleum of Yeddi Gumbez – (Seven Domes) – grave yard of Shirvan Shahs’.
- Lunch at local restaurant on the way.
- Baku sightseeing tour. Visit to Memory Alley – “Shehidler Khiyabany”, Trip to medieval fortress of Old Baku - “Ichari Shahar”, Maiden Tower, The Complex of “Shirvan Shahs” Palace, Medieval Caravan Saray, Medieval Markets square, handmade carpet’s workshop art studio.
- After excursion drive for dinner.
- Dinner at traditional restaurant in Baku
- Overnight at Hotel in Baku



DAY 10: Baku- Airport

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- Free time. Lunch at local restaurant
- After lunch drive to the airport for flight



Offer

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- Georgian Segment Package includes:
- Accommodation at local 4* Hotels
- 1 x comfortable A/C vehicle as per program according to the group size
- 4 WD DELICAS transportation on in Kazbegi (5-6 pax each car)
- 1 x Experienced guide as per program
- Meal: full board catering+ 1 wine tasting
- Accommodation in TWN rooms:
- 2 x overnight / breakfast at Hotel in Tbilisi upon request
- 1 x overnight / breakfast at Hotel Gudauri
- 1 x overnight / breakfast at Hotel Kutaisi
- 1 x overnight / breakfast at Hotel Batumi
- 1 x overnight/ breakfast at Hotel Signaghi
- Bottle of mineral water per person per day
- All excursions, Entrance fees & local guides as per program
- Porter services at the hotels

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- Armenian Segment package includes:
- Accommodation at local 4* Hotels
- 1 x comfortable A/C vehicle as per program according to the group size
- 1 x Experienced English speaking guide as per program
- Meal: full board catering
- 2 x dinners in local restaurant in Yerevan
- 2 x lunches in local restaurants
- Accommodation in TWN rooms:
- 2 x overnights in hotel in Yerevan
- Bottle of mineral water per person per day
- All excursions, Entrance fees & local guides as per program
- Porter services at the hotels

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- Azerbaijan Segment package includes:
- Accommodation at local 4* Hotels
- 1 x overnight at 4* hotel Hotel in Sheki
- 1 x overnight at 4* Hotel in Baku
- 1 x comfortable A/C vehicle as per program according to the group size
- 1 x Experienced English speaking guide as per program
- Full board catering: 2 x breakfast/2 x lunch/2 x dinner.
- Bottle of mineral water per person per day
- All excursions, Entrance fees & local guides as per program

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Packages exclude:

- Flights;
- Travel insurance;
- Alcoholic beverages;
- Meals except described,
- Visa.

NOTES

- Working hours limit for bus drivers 10 hrs per day
- No bookings are made yet.
- Don voyager reserves right to change itinerary if local conditions make this necessary.
- We reserve right to adjust the tour cost in accordance with the fluctuation of currency exchange rate or amendments in local Government taxes.