

# 6 Day Trekking In Racha

## Adventure & Trekking Tours

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### Overview

#### TREKKING IN RACHA

Pick-up from: Tbilisi/Kutaisi\*

Available: July-September

Duration: 6 days / 5 Nights

Difficulty: Moderate

Tour Type: Private Adventure Tour

Discover Racha, one of the most beautiful, yet not as touristic mountain regions of Georgia. Hike to Buba glacier, trek and camp near the alpine lake Udziro (Georgian "Bottomless", 2800 m.), that is situated at the slope of Mount Katitsvera (3300m) and offers breathtaking views of Caucasus range and surrounding area.

*\*Please indicate your preferred pick-up and drop-off locations in the comment at check-out.*

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### Tour details

- Code: GH-106
  - Starts from: Tbilisi
  - Max. Group Size: 15 Adults
  - Duration: 6 Days
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### Prices

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### Sights to Visit

- [Racha](#)
  - [Udziro Lake](#)
  - [Ambrolauri](#)
  - [Shovi](#)
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## Itinerary

### Day 1: Tbilisi-Tskhrajvari-Shovi

(image)

8:30 AM - pickup from **Tbilisi**. Drive towards mountain village **Shovi** (1650 m. above sea level) in **Racha**, approx... 5.5 hours. If weather is good (good visibility) on the way we make a small detour (approx.. 2 km hike) towards the **Tskhrajvari** viewpoint (Georgian - “Nine Crosses” ), situated on the Western slope of **Nakerala** range, at about 1350 m above sea level, it offers breathtaking panoramic views. Our end point resort **Shovi** is famous for its mineral water springs, some of which are naturally sparkling and untouched pine forests surrounding the whole area. Overnight in hotel in **Shovi**.

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## Day 2: Shovi-Buba Glacier-Shovi

(image)

Hiking distance: 13 km (there and back), 7 hours.

Difficulty level: medium.

Start at 8:30 AM. Scenic day hike that starts from [Shovi](#) resort and follows up **Buba's Tskali** gorge towards the glacier. Not very demanding trail, with some great panoramic views and number of mineral springs.

## Day 3: Shovi-Udziro Lake

(image) [Udziro Lake](#)

Hiking distance: 11 km, 9-10 hours

Difficulty level: hard

Start at 8:00 AM. Start walking up through the pine forest from [Shovi](#), towards the alpine valley and **Geske** pass at 3070 m. Crossing the pass is the most physically demanding part of the trail, as you gain quite a bit of elevation (1500m in vertical) although it doesn't require any special equipment or mountaineering skills. The last part of the climb is considerably steep. After finally reaching the pass, we slowly descend towards the lake where we camp for overnight.

## Day 4: Udziro Lake-Glola-Shovi

(image)

Hiking distance: 8 km, 5-6 hours

Difficulty level: medium

Wake up at 8:00 AM, after having a breakfast and enjoying the beautiful views of **Caucasus** (if weather is good, we can even see peaks of **Svaneti** such as **Shkhara**, **Ushba** and **Tetnuldi**), start tracking towards the **Glola** village, which lies just 4 km from **Shovi**, where we started trekking. While this day is relatively easier, there is still a lot of elevation to lose, that puts more strain to the knees, so keep in mind it's still a demanding hike, not suitable for everyone. Pick-up from village **Glola** - drive back to Hotel in **Shovi**. Dinner and overnight in hotel.

## **Day 5: Shovi-Chiora-Ghebi-Gona-Ambrolauri**

**(image)**

**Hiking:** 13 km, apprx. 6 hours.

Start at 9:00 AM. On our last trekking day, we are going to visit some of the most beautiful mountain villages in upper [Racha](#), including Chiora, Ghebi – which has become a basecamp for many interesting off-the beaten hikes and beautiful village Gona, often called as ‘Georgian Switzerland’ known for its close-up views of Caucasus summits. From village Patara Ghebi, we'll take a hike to Lagora Huts, at the base of Shoda-Kedela mountains.

In the evening, return to the guesthouse

## **Day 6: Ambrolauri -Tbilisi**

Transfer back to pick-up point.

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## **Inclusions**

## **Included**

### **Transportation:**

- Comfortable 4x4 Vehicle - days 1-6;

### **Staff:**

- Professional trekking-guide service - all days
- Professional driver service - all days (except day 4).
- Additional guide (from 6 people group and up).

### **Meals:**

- All meals and lunch boxes - except for lunch breaks on day 1 and 6.
- Participants are expected to participate in cooking while camping.

### **Accommodation:**

- 3 x overnights in Shovi guesthouse.
- 1 x overnight in Ambrolauri guesthouse
- 1 x overnight in Tent (day 3).

### **Other:**

- Camping equipment: tents, sleeping pads and cooking set.
- Water 2 bottles per person daily

## **Excluded**

- Airplane tickets
  - Travel insurance
  - Visa fees
  - Single room accommodation
  - Alcoholic beverages
  - Other personal expenses
  - Personal trekking gear such as\*: sleeping bags, trekking poles, backpacks, personal water storage.
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## More Info

## Additional Info

Some overnights will be in tents and participants are expected to help with setting up the campsites and cooking.

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

For larger group, or custom itinerary please contact us at info[at]georgianholidays.com

Please note, this itinerary is quite demanding and requires good physical level.

The above prices (except for solo) are based on two people sharing twin/double room accommodation.

## Cancellation Policy

Cancellation is free of charge prior 7 days of the starting day.

- The booking deposit 90 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 7 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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