

4 Day Svaneti Treasure

City Breaks

Overview

[Svaneti Treasure](#)

Starts from: [Zugdidi](#)

Type: City Break

Available: May-October

Total Distance: 365 km

Duration: 4 days/3 nights

Type: City Break, Private Trip

Travel to one of the highest inhabited places in Europe - Village **Ushguli** in Upper [Svaneti](#), which is included in UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

Private escorted jeep tour to [Svaneti](#) is an authentic experience of **Caucasus**. Explore the hidden treasures of **Georgia** - a land of extraordinary beauty and its highlands dotted by medieval villages and [Svanetian](#) defensive towers.

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

Tour details

- Code: GH-72
- Starts from: Tbilisi
- Max. Group Size: 15 Adults
- Duration: 4 Days

Prices

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Sights to Visit

- [Ushguli Community](#)
- [Mestia Museum](#)
- [Dadiani Palace](#)
- [Mestia](#)
- [Zugdidi Botanical Garden](#)
- [Svaneti](#)
- [Peak Shkhara](#)
- [Summit Ushba](#)
- [Enguri Dam](#)
- [Zugdidi](#)

Itinerary

DAY 1: ZUGDIDI - MESTIA

Morning pick-up from the hotel in [Zugdidi](#) – administrative center of [Samegrelo](#) region.

Visit Dadiani Palace History and Architectural Museum – the former residence of Mingrelian Kings and Queens. The first exhibition here was prepared by the Prince of [Samegrelo](#), David Dadiani and presented archaeological findings from the ancient city of [Nokalakevi](#). The museum now includes palaces of Princess of [Samegrelo](#), Ekaterine Dadiani and Prince of [Samegrelo](#), Niko Dadiani, court church, and the botanical garden.

Start driving up to the Caucasus Mountains. On the way, stop at [Enguri Dam](#), currently being world's second largest dam – 271.5 m in height. Excursion will take about 30 minutes.

In the evening arrive to [Mestia](#). Dinner and overnight in [Mestia](#).

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DAY 2: MESTIA - USHGULI - MESTIA

Breakfast at the guesthouse. Today explore Upper [Svaneti](#) and drive with 4x4 vehicles to **Ushguli** community – one of the highest continually inhabited places in **Europe**. The whole village with its fortifications is included in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites. The road to **Ushguli** is an off-road but very picturesque. On our way, we will visit villages of **Ipari** and **Kala** to sightsee the medieval churches with famous murals and frescos.

Stop by [Lamaria church](#) in **Ushguli** - a notable local sacred place of worship. Take a walk towards [Shkhara](#) glacier – the highest peak in **Georgia** (5068 m).

In the evening, return back to [Mestia](#).

***Optional** visit: [Svaneti Museum of History and Ethnography](#)

Dinner and overnight in [Mestia](#).

DAY 3: MESTIA AND ITS SURROUNDINGS

Breakfast at the guesthouse. Morning start for Mazeri village (20 km from [Mestia](#)) and Becho valley.

Walking route: 8 km, 2.5 hours, moderate;

Ascent 466 m/ Descent 466 m

The trail begins at the "Hikers Cafe" - a small wooden hut on the right embankment of Dolra river.

Soon after the hut, the road enters a beautiful pine forest and turns into a pleasant footpath. It will eventually lead you to the broad wooden bridge. At the other side lies the Georgian border guards post.

Behind the camp, the trail climbs again through the forest. At its end is the turn-off to the Shdughra waterfall.

If you feel more adventurous, you can continue hiking further up to reach the [Ushba](#) Glacier, although this is difficult hike on exposed trail and requires more experience.

Hike back with the same trail.

In the evening return back to [Mestia](#).

Dinner and overnight in [Mestia](#).

DAY 4: MESTIA - ZUGDIDI

Breakfast at the guesthouse. Check out.

If the weather is fine, **Hatsvali** cable car is strongly recommended. The panoramic views from **Zuruldi** mount (upper station is located 2,347m altitude).

***Optional** visit of [Svaneti Museum of History and Ethnography](#), which houses old Georgian manuscripts, ethnographic and archaeological items, Georgian Orthodox icons painted in local style, etc.

Walk up to the tower-museum of **Margiani** (12th c.) to see how the locals were living.

Drive back to [Zugdidi](#).

Inclusions

Included

Staff:

- Professional guide/driver service 4 days

Accommodation:

- 3 x overnight in Mestia family guesthouse Bapsha or similar

Meals:

- 3 x breakfasts
- 3 x dinners

Other:

- 1 x bottle mineral water per person per day
- Excursions and Entrance fees
- All local taxes

Excluded

- Personal expenses
 - Alcoholic beverages
 - Lunches
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More Info

Additional Info

*Optional services:

- Single Supplement: 74 \$
- Hatsvali Cable Car - 10 \$ per person
- Lunch: 15 \$
- Mestia Museum: 5 \$

Private transfers:

- Private pick-up transfer from Tbilisi airport: 32 \$
 - Private drop-off transfer to Tbilisi airport: 27 \$
 - Discounted double way private transfer to/from Tbilisi airport to/from Tbilisi hotel: 49 \$
- 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 5 days of the starting day.

- The booking deposit 30 \$ 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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