15 Day Caucasus Adventure & Black Sea Jeep and ATV Tours in Georgia

Overview	15 Days Self-Drive Adventure
	Starts from: Tbilisi
	Type: Private 15-day jeep tour
	Available: from June till October
	Duration:15 day
	"Embark on a 15-day journey through the beautiful country of Georgia, where you will explore the stunning landscapes and diverse cultures of <u>Kakheti</u> , Samtkhe-Javakheti, <u>Khulo</u> , Batumi, Uplistikhe, <u>Gori</u> and Kazbegi.
	From the lush vineyards of Kakheti to the Sno w-capped peaks of Kazbegi, this tour will take you on an unforgettable adventure. Discover the ancient history of Gori and Uplistikhe, and experience the unique traditions of Khulo . your tour with the vibrant city of Batumi. Join us on this 15- day tour and experience the best of what Georgia has to offer."
	Have a nice trip!
Tour details	 Code: GH-123 Starts from: Tbilisi Max. Group Size: 15 Adults Duration: 15 Days
Prices	/

Sights to Visit	 Prometheus Cave Uplistsikhe Caves Vardzia rock-cut caves Tsinandali Museum Ananuri Fortress Gergeti Trinity Church Gremi Church
	 Machakhela National Park Batumi Botanical Garden Okatse Canyon Telavi Petra Fortress Borjomi Nika Vacheishvili Cellar
	 <u>Kinchkha Waterfall</u> <u>Zhinvali Reservoir</u> <u>Vartsikhe Marani</u>
Itinerary	Day 1: Arrival in Tbilisi
	Arrival in Tbilisi airport, pick up and meet your guide at

Tbilisi airport.

Overnight in Tbilisi hotel.

Day 2: Free day in Tbilisi

The suggested time to start the tour is 10:00 AM.

After Breakfast at the hotel start the exploration of the capital of Georgia – Tbilisi. Start from **Narikala Fortress** which you can reach by cable car. **Narikala Fortress** dates back to 4th century AD, it has a superb location with magnificent panoramic views over the Tbilisi city.

Stroll down to Legvta Khevi – a beautiful place wita h waterfall. Take a walk in park near Sulfur bathhouses, wellknown for their healing powers Shardeni street and its neighborhood and Meidan square with its outdoor cafes, galleries and souvenir shops.

In the evening head to Mtatsminda funicular tram and ride up to Mtatsminda park and take a relaxing walk in the park

*Suggested: holoseum Tbilisi- per person price 9 \$

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In the evening return back to the hotel.

Day 3: Tbilisi - Gremi- Tsinandali-Telavi

Approx. driving distance: 2 hr 43 min (149 km)

The car rental guy will give you a car.

Breakfast in the morning

First place to visit is **Gremi** Monastery is a 16th-century architectural monument located in the **Kakheti** region of Georgia. The complex includes the Church of the Archangels, which served as the royal chapel for King Levan of **Kakheti**, as well as a bell tower and other buildings. The church is known for its intricate stone carvings andfrescoes. It is a popular tourist destination and isconsidered an important example of medieval Georgianarchitecture.

After **Gremi** drive to Tsinandali estate and visited museum. Tsinandali residence which is a 19th century **Kakheti**an nobleman, public figure and poet as well. The house hasball room, winery, Wooden balcony, there are mixed styleof different countries like English-French garden wherealways held some exhibitions, international classic, wineforums and atc. Also in Tsinandali have taste one glasswhite wine.

After **Gremi** drive to Tsinandali Estate is a 19th-century complex located in the **Kakheti** region of Georgia. It is the former residence of Prince Alexander Chavchavadze, a **Kakheti**an nobleman, public figure, and poet. The estate includes a palace, a winery, a wooden balcony, and an English-French garden. You can tour the palace, which features a ballroom and other elegant rooms, as well as the winery and gardens. In the Tsinandali Estate, there is awine museum showcasing the history of winemaking inGeorgia. The estate also hosts various exhibitions, international classic music events, wine forums, andtastings. Visitors can also taste a glass of the local whitewine produced in the winery. The estate is a popular touristdestination, showcasing the cultural heritage and history ofGeorgia.

Optional: After Tsinandali you have optional activity to visit <u>Shumi Winery</u> next to the Tsinandali estate, <u>Shumi</u> <u>Winery</u> is a popular winery located in the <u>Kakheti</u> region of Georgia. It is known for producing high-quality wines using traditional Georgian wine-making techniques. The

Day 4: Telavi- Kazbegi

Approx. driving distance: 3 hr 40 min (181 km)

After breakfast drive from **<u>Telavi</u>** to Kazbegi, Via <u>**Akhmeta**</u> road and you may visit here Kvetera monastery.

Kvetera Monastery is a medieval Georgian Orthodox monastery located in the Kazbegi region of Georgia. It is believed to have been founded in the 9th century and has been an important religious and cultural center for centuries.

After drive to **Ananuri Fortress** and **Zhinvali Reservoir**. **Ananuri Fortress** is a 17th-century architectural complex located in the Kazbegi region of Georgia. It includes the residential buildings of the Aragvi Dukes and served as a fortification to control the trade route and protect against invasions from the north. The complex is a popular tourist destination, known for its well-preserved towers, churches, and defensive walls. Visitors can explore the fortress and learn about its history and significance. Also you can visit **Zhinvali Reservoir** is a man-made lake located near **Ananuri Fortress**.

Next site to visit is **Gudauri** viewpoint, this is the popular spot for tourists. The viewpoint offers a spectacular panoramic view of the surrounding mountains and walleys, you can take a photos and enjoys the beautiful scenery.

Drive to Stepantsminda

Overnight in **<u>Stepantsminda</u>** guesthouse.

Day 5: Kazbegi free day

Have breakfast in the morning at the guesthouse.

"Unleash your inner adventurer and make the most of your free day in Kazbegi! Take a thrilling 4x4 drive to the iconic **Gergeti Trinity Church**, where you'll be treated to breathtaking views of Mount Kazbegi and explore the ancient rituals and beliefs of this 14th-century church. If weather will perfect, you can even see Mount Kazbegi, to which the legend of Amiran is connected.

And that's not all, you can also take a scenic drive to Gveleti waterfall and take a walk to the waterfall, before heading to **Dariali Gorge** and visiting the historic **Dariali Monastery**, The church is also important for religious rituals and belief.

End the day by driving back to **<u>Stepantsminda</u>**, making memories that'll last a lifetime."

Per person price 4x4: 27 \$

After driving back to **<u>Stepantsminda</u>**.

Day 6: Kazbegi-Gori-Ateni

Approx. driving distance: 3 hr 30 min (196 km)

After breakfast From Kazbegi, drive along the Georgian Military Highway towards <u>Gori</u>. The journey will take you through the beautiful Caucasus Mountains, with stunning views of the surrounding landscapes.

After visiting **Gori**, you have the option to make a stop at the ancient cave town of Uplistsikhe. The cave town is a unique complex of rock-cut structures, with an ancient theater, wine-making facilities, and a church. It's a great opportunity to see the history and culture of Georgia.

After visiting Upistikhe, continue your journey towards Ateni. The route will take you through the picturesque Georgian countryside, with views of rolling hills and green valleys. You'll pass by small villages and traditional Georgian architecture.

Finally, you will reach Ateni, a small village located in the Kaspi municipality. Visit Nika Vacheishvili guesthouse, where you can taste wine and have a dinner.

Overnight at the guesthouse.

Day 7: Ateni-Borjomi-Atskuri-Akhaltsikhe

Approx. driving distance: 2 hr 57 min (155 km)

After breakfast From Ateni, drive towards Borjomi, a small town in the <u>Samtskhe-Javakheti</u> region of Georgia. Borjomi is known for its mineral water, which is sourced from the nearby <u>Borjomi-Kharagauli National Park</u>. Visitors can take a stroll around the town, taste the famous mineral water.

After visiting Borjomi, head towards Atskuri. Along the way, you have the option to make a stop for lunch and wine tasting at Davit Mumladze's winery. The winery produces high-quality wines and visitors can learn about the winemaking process and taste the different varieties of wines. Here, you will have the opportunity to taste as well as savor the traditional Georgian dish of snails.

As you leave Atskuri, you have an option to make a stop at the **Sapara Monastery**. The monastery is a medieval Georgian Orthodox monastery and is considered an important historical and cultural monument. Visitors can explore the monastery, learn about its history and significance and also take in the beautiful views of the surrounding landscapes.

Finally, drive back to **Akhaltsikhe**

Overnight at **Akhaltsikhe** hotel

Day 8: Akhaltsikhe-Saro-Vardzia-Akhaltikhe

Approx. driving distance: 2 hr 49 min (132 km)

Breakfast in the morning

"Get ready for an action-packed day of adventure and exploration as you embark on a journey from **Akhaltsikhe** to Saro and **Vardzia**.

Your first stop will be at the historic Rabati Fortress, where you will delve into the rich history and culture of thisancient monument. Rabati Fortress is a medieval castlelocated in the city of <u>Akhaltsikhe</u>, Georgia. It was built inthe 9th century and has been reconstructed and rebuiltseveral times throughout history. It features a citadel, apalace, a mosque, a madrasa, and a church. The fortressplayed an important role in the region's history, serving asa military stronghold and as a center of political, cultural,and economic activity. It has also been a site of manybattles and sieges.

From there, You will continue on to Saro and take in the breathtaking views of the surrounding landscape. Saro is an adventure seeker's paradise! Nestled in the heart of the <u>Samtskhe-Javakheti</u> region, this charming village offers a unique blend of history, culture and natural beauty. The old stone houses and defensive towers scattered throughoutthe village are a testament to its rich history, while the proximity to the Kura River provides endless opportunities for outdoor activities.

Take a little hike to the 13th-century St. George's Church this offer breathtaking views of the surrounding landscapes. Explore the ancient architecture and learn about the village's rich past.

Saro is a place where immerse yourself in the local culture. With its serene landscapes, charming architecture and friendly locals, it's the perfect destination for those looking for an authentic and off-the-beaten-path adventure.

Next, you will make your way to the hidden gem of <u>Vardzia</u>, a cave town dating back to the 12th century. Here, you will have the opportunity to explore the intricate network of

Day 9: Akhaltikhe-Kutaisi-Vartsikhe

Approx. driving distance: 3 hr 36 min (194 km)

Breakfast in the morning.

Get ready for an exciting adventure as you embark on a journey from Akhaltikhe to Kutaisi and Vartsikhe!

Your first stop is the charming city of Kutaisi, where you'll take a leisurely walking tour and discover the rich history and culture of the city.

walking tour may include the city's charming streets and squares, white bridge, Central Garden "Boulevard".

Next, your'll hit the road and head to the picturesque Chateau Vartsikhe. Where you will have overnight. The hotel has pool, cottage, restaurant, after long drive you can relax here.

Overnight in Vartsikhe

Day 10: Vartsikhe-Okatse canyon- Vartsikhe

Approx. driving distance: 2 hr 48 min (148 km)

Embark on an exhilarating adventure as you journey from Vartsikhe to the breathtaking **Okatse Canyon**. As you make our way through the winding roads, you'll be surrounded by stunning natural landscapes that will take your breath away. your first stop will be at the **Okatse Canyon**, a natural wonder that will leave you in awe with its towering cliffs, cascading waterfalls, and lush greenery. The total length is 6.20km

As you explore the canyon, you'll have the opportunity to hike along the designated trails and take in the breathtaking views. After you've had your fill of the canyon, you'll make our way to the <u>Kinchkha Waterfall</u>, an enchanting oasis that will refresh your senses. natural monument at 843 meters above sea level. Elevation 230m up/down

For those looking for an extra dose of adventure, there is an optional activity to visit the **Prometheus Cave**, a natural wonder that offers an underground exploration of the unique formations and underground rivers. After your day of exploring, you'll make your way back to Vartsikhe, feeling invigorated and inspired by the natural beauty you 've encountered on your journey.

Optional, Prometheus Cave, per person price is 23GEL

Overnight in Vartsikhe

Day 11: Vartsikhe-Petra-Batumi

Approx. driving distance: 2 hr 50 min (162 km)

Get ready for an epic adventure as you set off from Vartsikhe and embark on a journey to Petra and Batumi!

your first stop will be Petra.

Petra Fortress is a medieval castle. The fortress dates back to the 9th century AD and is situated on a rocky hilltop overlooking the town. It is an important historical and architectural monument, and is known for its well-preserved fortifications and impressive views of the surrounding area. The fortress was built to protect the town from invaders and was an important strategic point for the defense of the region.

Next, you'll make your way to Batumi, a vibrant coastal city known for its beautiful beaches, bustling nightlife, and rich cultural heritage. Along the way, you'll make an optional stop at the **Batumi Botanical Garden**, where you can admire an incredible array of plant species from around the world.

After exploring the garden, you'll continue on to Batumi, where you'll have the chance to discover the city's many attractions, from its historic landmarks to its modern architecture. Whether you're interested in history, culture, or simply soaking up the sun, Batumi has something for everyone.

*Optional: **Batumi Botanical Garden**: Per person price is : 8 \$

Overnight In Batumi

Day 12: Batumi-Machakhela NP- Batumi

Approx. driving distance: 1 hr 30 min (53.3 km)

After breakfast,

Get ready for an adventure of a lifetime as you embark on a trail through the stunning Machakhela National Park!

The trail begins in Sindieti, where you'll start your ascent of Mtavarangelozi mountain. Along the way, you'll be treated to breathtaking views of the lush greenery and the rugged terrain. After reaching the summit. The trail is challenging, but the reward of reaching the summit and experiencing the stunning landscapes is well worth the effort. The pedestrian trail is 4.1 km, and this km goes to Mtavarangelozi Mountain. The road goes to the red beach, forest, mountain springs and its end Mtavarangelozi Mountain.

Note: In order to visit Mtavarangelozi Mountain you should go through **Machakhela National Park**'s Visitor Centre.

Drive back to Batumi

Leave the rental car.

Overnight Batumi

Day 13: Batumi free day

Breakfast in the morning

On your free day in Batumi, there are many exciting activities to choose from to make the most of your time in the city.

Some options include: Explore the Old Town: Take a stroll through the charming streets of the Old Town and discover the unique architecture, colorful buildings, and traditional markets, Go to the Beach: Relax on the sandy beach and take a dip in the Black Sea.

Try Adjarian Cuisine: Atcharuli khachapuri, Borano atc. Visit the Alphabetic Tower: This tower is an architectural masterpiece that features the Georgian alphabet in the form of glass letters lit up at night. Visit the **Batumi Boulevard**: Take a walk down the famous boulevard and see the beautiful fountains, sculptures and the statue of <u>Ali and Nino</u>. enjoy the sea view and do not miss the dancing fountains in the evening.

Overnight in Batumi

Day 14: Batumi-Tbilisi

Approx. driving distance: 6 hr 6 min (374 km)

Drive from Batumi to Tbilisi by train . The train ride takes around 5-6 hours, and is a comfortable and convenient way to travel between the two destinations.

Train station pick-up, and transfer to Tbilisi hotel.

Day 15: Departure

Breakfast in the morning.

Departure from Tbilisi airport

Inclusions

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Transport:

- 2 x transfers to/from airport to/from the hotel by a comfortable Climate sedan (1-4 seats), minivan (6 seats)- On days 1,15
- Comfortable Climate Controlled Climate Controlled Nissan Xterra SPECIALISED OFF-ROAD VEHICLE category (1-4 seats), Toyota Fortuner Hilux (6 seats)- – On days 2-12

Accommodation:

- 3 x night in Tbilisi citrus (B/-/-)
- 1 x night in Leni guesthouse (B/-/-)
- 2 x night in Kazbegi Guest house Cicia & Stephane(B/-/-)
- 1 x night in Ateni Nika Vacheishvili's guest house (B/-/D)
- 2 x night in Akhaltsikhe Inn (B/-/-)
- 2 x night in Vartikhe Chateau Vartsikhe (B/-/-)
- 3 x night in Batumi N16 (B/-/-)

Entertainment, equipment and other:

- Excursions in accordance with the program
- Entrance fees in accordance with the program
- Local sim card with preloaded balance: 4 GB mobile internet & 10 GEL for local/international calls
- Tsinandali estate museum& glass of wine.
- 24/7 assistance of local operator
- All local taxes

Excluded

- Visa Fees (when needed)
- Insurance
- Flight tickets
- Early Check Ins/Late Check outs
- Alcoholic beverages
- Extra personal fees
- Entrance fees & optional activities
- Fuel expenses

More Info

Additional Info

Extra charges on spot:

- Uplistikhe cave: per person price 15GEL
- Wine tasting at Shumi winery: 35 GEL
- Batumi botanical garden: Per person price is 20 GEL;
- Tsinandali, per person price 12 GEL
- Gremi fortress, per person price 15GEL
- Borjomi central park, per person price 5GEL
- lunch and wine tasting at Davit Mumladze's winery, per person price 110GEL
- Rabati fortress, per person price 18GEL, guide 40GEL (3-10PAX)
- Vardzia cave, per person price 15 GEL
- Okatse Canyon, per person price 20GEL
- Kinchkha Waterfall, per person price 20 GEL
- Batumi botanical garden: Per person price is : 20 Gel
- Petra fortress, per person price 8GEL

Cancellation Policy

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

• The booking deposit 60 \$ 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.



