7 Day Climbing Mt. Kazbegi

Adventure & Trekking Tours

Overview

CLIMBING MT. KAZBEGI

7 Days/6 Nights

Pick-up from: Tbilisi/**Gudauri**/**Stepantsminda***
Climbing Grade: PD peu difficile (slightly difficult).
Season: June - October

Climb one of the most iconic peaks of Caucasus mountains – Kazbegi (5054 m. asl) and enjoy the unbeatable views from above cloud level. Although the climb to this dormant stratovolcano is not technically difficult, a good physical level is absolutely necessary. If you are sure in your fitness level and endurance, our guides will train you in the required mountaineering techniques and skills you'll need during the climb.

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

Tour details

- Code: KAZ-PT-CL-7
- Starts from: Tbilisi
- Max. Group Size: 15 Adults
- Duration: 7 Days

Prices

Group size	Price per adult
Solo	€ 1,770
2-3 people	€ 1,316
4-5 people	€ 1,016
6-7 people	€ 866
8-15 people	€ 826
Online booking deposit*:	€ 120

*This deposit will be deducted from the total tour price.

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

Single Room Supplement is: **€ 80.**

Child Policy:
0-1 year - Free
2-6 years - 413 €
7 years and over - Adult

The balance can be done by:

- **Bank transfer -** in Euro/USD/GBP currency, no later than two weeks before the tour starts
- **VISA/Mastercard -** in GEL (local currency) in Tbilisi only, before the tour starts, directly to your guide via POS terminal. **Additional card service fee +3%**
- **Cash –** GEL only, directly to the nearest TBC Bank office or TBC Bank Cash terminal no later than the beginning of the tour.

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

Tips for booking procedure:

Sights to Visit

- Gergeti Trinity Church
- Kazbegi National Park
- Gudauri Ski Resort
- Dariali Gorge
- Mount Gergeti
- Jvari Pass
- Peak Kazbegi
- Cross Pass

Itinerary

Day 1: Tbilisi-Stepantsminda

(image) **Gergeti Trinity Church**

Pickup from **Tbilisi** at **9:00 AM.** Today we drive north towards **Stepantsminda** (former Kazbegi) via Georgian military highway. Pass by **Jinvali reservoir** and visit **Ananuri castle**. Optional stop for a lunch in local restaurant. Continue driving north by **Jvari Pass** **(2,379 m)** – stop at the viewpoint to enjoy **Gudauri** surroundings. Finally, we arrive at Stepantminda – administrative center and largest settlements in the area that many climbers and hikers use as their basecamp.

Before sunset, we will take a short warm-up hike to iconic **Gergeti Trinity Church** located right above **Stepantsminda** on top of the hill, overlooking **Mt. Kazbegi.**

Dinner and overnight in Stepantsminda.

Day 2: Stepantsminda-Trek from Sameba (Gergeti Trinity Church) to Altihut

(image)

Trekking: 6 km, ascent 840 m, descent 40 m.

Start early morning at 8:00, we drive up to the trail-head near **Gergeti Trinity Church** and start hiking towards **Sabertse pass (3000 m. asl).** Along the way we pass by several “false passes” and memorials dedicated to climbers who perished on the mountain. Once we reach **Sabertse pass,** we will be rewarded with a great proximity view of the peak, **Gergeti glacier,** and small mountain hut on a small meadow in front.

The hut is called **“Atihut” –** which is newly built and for time being the only relatively comfortable accommodation on the way to the summit,

Overnight in Altihut.

Day 3: Altihut-Meteo Station, Acclimatization

(image)

Trekking A: 3.5 km, ascent 650 m

Trekking B (training part): 6 km, ascent 400 m, descent 400 m.

On that day you will be making your way up to the famous **Bethlemi Hut (aka Meteo station)** to spend one extra day for acclimatization and training before summiting Mt/ Kazbegi. As a part of acclimatization, we take an additional 3 hours hike up to 4000 m above sea level, learn about various safety and mountaineering techniques.

Overnight in tents.

Day 4: Meteo Station-Mt. Kazbegi Summit-Meteo Station

(image)

Total distance: 12 km, ascent 1335 m, descent 1335 m.

Weather permitting, after midnight at 01:30 AM we begin the journey to the summit. 12 km roundtrip takes approximately 9 hours. A narrow path will lead you to the north-west direction to approach the glacier from its south-western side, the beginning of the hardest and most demanding part of the ascent that turns into climbing towards its end. After some rewarding break at the top – make your way back to the Meteo station for rest.

Overnight in tents.

Day 5: Reserve day/Metro Station

Use this day as a reserve in case of bad weather and summit was not reachable on scheduled time.

Overnight in tents.

Day 6: Meteo Station-Stepantsminda

(image)

Return back to Stepantminda, we slowly descend (5-6 hours journey) to **Gergeti Trinity Church**, where we will be picked up by 4x4 WD vehicles to be transferred to **Stepantsminda** for a well-deserved rest and yes - hot shower!

Day 7: Stepantsminda-Tbilisi

Transfer back to Tbilisi. Drop off to the hotel.

We wish you a wonderful evening and hope to see you coming back to Caucasus Mountains soon!

Inclusions

Included

Transportation:

- Transfer to and from Tbilisi – Stepantsminda.*
- Transfer to and from Gergeti trail head.
- Horse rental for carrying backpacks and gear up to Meteo station;

Staff:

- English-speaking professional mountain guide service days 2-6
- Accompanying field cook during trekking days.

Accommodation:

- 2 x overnights – comfortable guesthouse in Stepantmsinda.
- 1 x overnight - at Altihut shelter;
- 3 x overnights – tents at Meteo station;

Catering:

- All breakfasts and dinners during the itinerary pertable above.
- Snacks during, the lunch stops.

Gear:

- Crampons;
- Harness;
- Ice Axe;
- Trekking Poles;
- Carabiners;
- Sleeping mats and sleeping bags.
- Tents (1 per 2 ppl.).

Excluded

- Air tickets
- Travel or Health Insurance
- Alcoholic beverages

More Info

Additional Info

Please note, a good physical level is absolutely necessary to complete this climb, we highly recommended to start your endurance training at least 2 months before your arrival.

This itinerary is subject to change due to weather conditions and in some rare cases it might be necessary to extend it to 1 or 2 more days. So it is recommended to book your departure flight at least 48 hours after the end of above schedule.

Extra services:

Additional charge for single room ("Single Supplement") is: 80€

Tbilisi airport private pick up transfer: 25€

Tbilisi airport private drop off transfer: 20€

Discounted individual transfer rate for the Tbilisi airport double way: 40€

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

Cancellation Policy

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

- The booking deposit 120 Euro 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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