

11 Day Georgia-Armenia

Multi-Country Tours in Caucasus

From: 1558 €

Overview

Georgia-Armenia

11 Days/10 Nights

Combined tour with guaranteed dates to two countries – **Georgia and Armenia** – takes off in **Tbilisi**, the capital of Georgia. During these 11 days, participants of this tour will be able to visit different cities and towns of **Armenia** and **Georgia**, and get acquainted with people, history and culture of the two countries. Group will be guided by the local experts in each country who will introduce the most important and interesting historical and cultural monuments of Georgia and Armenia to them.

The group is “Guaranteed to run” after 2 people book this tour.

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Tour details

- Code: GTCAR-03
 - Starts from: Tbilisi
 - Group Size: 15 Persons
 - Duration: 11 Days
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Sights to Visit

- [Svetitskhoveli](#)
 - [Jvari Monastery](#)
 - [Borjomi-Kharagauli National Park](#)
 - [Uplistsikhe Cave Complex](#)
 - [Vardzia](#)
 - [Narikala Fortress](#)
 - [Rabati Castle](#)
 - [Anchiskhati](#)
 - [Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi](#)
 - [Sioni Cathedral of Dormition](#)
 - [Vardzia Historical-Architectural Museum](#)
 - [Uplistsikhe historical-architectural museum](#)
 - [Ioseb Stalin State Museum](#)
 - [Ananuri Fortress Complex](#)
 - [Gergeti Trinity Church](#)
 - [Kazbegi National Park](#)
 - [Tbilisi Historic District](#)
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Itinerary

Day 1: TBILISI CITY TOUR

11-day [Georgia-Armenia](#) tour takes off in Tbilisi. On day 1 we will have a [Tbilisi](#) city tour.

Throughout this tour, we will visit one of the tallest Orthodox church in the world the [Holy Trinity Cathedral](#) of [Tbilisi](#), [Metekhi Plateau](#) and the 5th-century church, old [Narikala Fortress](#) on the hill overlooking the city, narrow streets of the old [Tbilisi – Shardeni and Erekle II](#), the [glass Bridge of Peace](#) over river Mtkvari, [Legvtakhevi](#) canyon and waterfall, [Abanotubani – sulfur bathhouse district](#), [Jumah Mosque](#) and [Maidani Square](#) full of bars, restaurants, cafes and souvenir stores.

Overnight in [Tbilisi](#).

Day 2: TBILISI – MTSKHETA – ANANURI – GUDAURI

On day 2 after breakfast we move 20 km north from Tbilisi to the capital of early Georgian kingdoms – **Mtskheta** – to sightsee two UNESCO World Heritage Sites: **Jvari Monastery** (6th c.) and **Svetitskhoveli Cathedral** (11th c.), both of which represents authentic styles of Georgian church architecture.

From Mtskheta, we continue our way to the north and by the **Georgian Military Highway** get to the **Zhinvali** reservoir to visit **Ananuri architectural complex**. Ananuri was a residence of a local feudals in the middle ages. Fortification and the two churches inside the curtain walls are well-preserved. From Ananuri we continue our way north towards the Greater Caucasus mountains and arrive at **Gudauri** ski resort.

Dinner and overnight in Gudauri.

Day 3: GUDAURI – KAZBEGI – TBILISI

On day 3 tour explores Caucasus mountains. We begin our journey by driving north and arriving in Kazbegi town through the **Cross Pass** (2395 m).

On our way to [Kazbegi](#), we can make a couple of stops to observe waterfalls and snowy peaks of the **Caucasus mountains**, and taste mineral waters. Kazbegi is the administrative of **Khevi province**. From Kazbegi we drive up to the top of **Gergeti Mountain** and visit [Gergeti Trinity church](#) (14th c.) which is located at an elevation of 2170 m under the Kazbegi peak (5047 m), overlooking Kazbegi town from the top of the mountain.

In the evening we return to Kazbegi and drive back to [Tbilisi](#).

Overnight in [Tbilisi](#).

Day 4: TBILISI – GORI – UPLISTSIKHE – BORJOMI – AKHALTSIKHE

After breakfast, we drive to the South Georgia – **Samtskhe** region. On our way, we will make several stops in **Kartli**.

The **Museum of Stalin** in **Gori** consists of the memorial house where Stalin was born and his personal belongings. From Gori, we head for a sightseeing tour in the ancient **Uplistsikhe cave complex**. Cut in rock, Uplistsikhe is one of the earliest urban settlements in Georgia that dates back to the 1st millennium BC.

Our next stop will be at **Borjomi spa-resort**, which is famous for its mineral sparkling water 'Borjomi'. Visitors can taste Borjomi and take a walk through Borjomi Central Park, which is a part of much larger – **Borjomi-Kharagauli National Park** – one of the largest protected areas in Georgia.

In the evening we arrive in **Akhaltzikhe** – administrative center of the Samtskhe-Javakheti region.

Overnight in Akhaltzikhe.

Day 5: AKHALTSIKHE – RABATI CASTLE – VARDZIA – AKHALTSIKHE

After breakfast we start our excursion at [Rabati Castle](#) of [Akhaltzikhe](#). Established in the 9th century and later rebuilt during the Ottoman Empire, Rabati is a fortress that has a small “city” – church, mosque, park, various shops and hotels – inside its walls.

From Rabati we drive to [Vardzia](#) – a functioning rock-hewn cave monastery founded in the 12th-13th c.c. A well-fortified monastery, [Vardzia](#) became an important political, cultural and educational center of Georgia in middle ages.

From Vardzia we return back to [Akhaltzikhe](#).

Overnight in [Akhaltzikhe](#).

Day 6: AKHALTSIKHE – BAVRA – GYUMRI

After breakfast at the hotel we drive to the border of Georgia and **Armenia**. On our way we make a short stop at the ancient **Khertvisi fortress** in Mtkvari river ravine.

After our arrival at **Bavra Border** Crossing Point, our group will change transport and guided by the local expert will continue its trip in Armenia. We drive to **Gyumri** – the second largest city of Armenia and have a short city tour there.

Overnight in Gyumri.

Day 7: GYUMRI – ST HRIPSIME CHURCH – ZVARTNOTS – YEREVAN

After breakfast we take a walk in the historical center of **Gyumri**. Historic district of Gyumri has many buildings from 19th century when the city was called Alexandropol and was under the rule of Russian Empire.

After Gyumri sightseeing tour we drive for the city of **Vagharshapat** to visit two well-known Armenian churches – **St Hripsime** and **7th century Zvartnots**.

From Vagharshapat we head to the capital of Armenia – **Yerevan**. In the evening we visit **Mesrop Mashtots Institute of Ancient Manuscripts**, commonly referred as **Matenadaran**, and take a look at the rich collection of medieval manuscripts and books of its museum.

Overnight in Yerevan.

Day 8: YEREVAN – GARNI – GEGHARD – YEREVAN

On day 8 after breakfast we start our excursion inside and around the **Yerevan** city. First we visit the History Museum situated in the center of the city. Yerevan History Museum has a rich collection that represents local culture and history from ancient to present times.

Afterwards, we drive to see the Temple of **Garni** – Greco-Roman colonnaded pagan temple from pre-Christian period. Destroyed by the earthquake in the 17th century, temple was reconstructed during the Soviet Union.

From Garni our trip continues to **Geghard monastery** (founded in the 4th century) near Yerevan, which is listed as a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**, and take a walk along the canyon where the complex is located. From Geghard we drive back to Yerevan.

Overnight in Yerevan.

Day 9: YEREVAN – KHOR VIRAP – ARENI – NORAVANK – YEREVAN

After breakfast at the hotel we depart to the south part of Armenia. Our first stop is at **Khor Virap monastery** in **Ararat** Province. According to local belief St. Gregory the Illuminator was imprisoned here for about 13 years, after he introduced Christianity to Armenia. From monastery visitors can observe view on the Mount Ararat – national symbol of Armenia.

From Ararat Province we continue our way to the south-east and arrive at the Armenian wine village **Areni**, Vayots Dzor Province. Village is known for its red wine-making tradition. We can visit wine factory in Areni and have wine degustation. From Areni we leave for **Noravank** – a monastery established in the 13th c. in the narrow gorge of Amaghu river.

In the evening we return to Yerevan.

Overnight in Yerevan.

Day 10: YEREVAN – SEVAN – SANAHIN – HAGHPAT – SADAKHLO – TBILISI

On day 10 after breakfast we head to **Lake Sevan**, one of the world's largest freshwater high-altitude lakes (1900 m above sea level). From Sevan we drive to the north and arrive in **Dilijan** – administrative center of **Tavush** Province. On city tour we visit **Sharambeyan** street in the old town full of its artistic workshops and souvenir stores.

From Dilijan we continue our way to **Lori** Province and get to the medieval **Sanahin** monastery (built in 10th c.) – one of the **UNESCO** World Heritage sites. From Sanahin we drive to the last site of our Armenian tour – **Haghpat** monastery, founded in the 10th century by the Bagratid royal family. From Haghpat we get to the Georgia-Armenia border at **Sadakhlo** village and led by the Georgian driver transfer to **Tbilisi**.

Overnight in [Tbilisi](#).

Note: In case you want to travel longer, please see the extensions or contact us trips@georgianholidays.com

Those taking extension trips to Georgia will start their tour next morning after breakfast.

Day 11: TBILISI

Breakfast at the hotel. Check out time until 12:00 pm. End of service.

Inclusions

Included

Transportation:

- 1x transfer to Bavra border on the day: 6;
- 1x transfer from Sadakhlo border on the day on day 10;
- Transportation service all days except day 11;
- 1x local jeep in Kazbegi on the day: 3;
- English speaking Guide & Driver service all days;
- 3 x overnights in Tbilisi 3* hotel Brigitte/IBIS Tbilisi Stadium/Zeg in double/twin rooms
- 1 x overnight in Gudauri 3* Hotel in double/twin rooms
- 2 x overnight in Akhaltsikhe 3* Hotel Tiflis/Almi in double/twin rooms
- 1 x overnight in Gyumri 3 * hotel Alexandrapol or similar in double/twin rooms
- 3 x overnights in Yerevan 4* hotel Ani Central Inn in double/twin rooms
- BB (Bed & breakfast)
- 10 x breakfasts on days: 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11;
- 1 x dinner on day 2;
- Entrance fees per program;
- 1 bottle of mineral water per person per day
- 1 x wine tasting in Armenian village Areni on day 9
- All taxes

Excluded

- Visa fees
 - Travel insurance
 - Air tickets
 - Accommodation in a single room
 - Hotel night on the last day of the Land Only itinerary
 - Alcohol beverages unless mentioned in the itinerary
 - Breakfast on the final day if departing earlier than 8 am
 - Lunches
 - Dinners on days: 1,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11;
 - Arrival & Departure airport transfers
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More Info

Additional Info

Additional cost for Single room accommodation is 222 €

Additional cost for the airport private pick up a transfer: 25 €

Additional cost for the airport private drop off transfer: 20 €

Discounted individual transfer rate for the double way: 40 €

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

CHILD POLICY:

0-1 years - Free

2-6 years – 779 EURO

7 years and over - Adult price

Cancelation Policy

Cancellation is free of charge prior 31 days of the starting day.

- The booking deposit 200 Euro is non-refundable in case of cancellation of the tour after booking has been confirmed. The fee is kept as a deposit on the Tourist's account for future booking(s).

If Tourist cancels the booked tour for some reasons not depending on Tour Operator, the following sums are kept back as a fine:

- 10% of total cost of tourist product in case of cancellation 30 days prior to the tour;
- 50% of total cost of tourist product in case of tour cancellation 15-7 days prior to the tour;
- 90% of total cost of tourist product in case of tour cancellation 7 and fewer days prior to the tour;
- 99% of total cost of tourist product due to the Tourist's failure to appear at the airport no more than 2 hours prior to departure or non-admission on the flight owing to circumstances beyond the Tour Operator's controls.