

8-Day Adventure through the Heart of Georgia

Key information

Duration: 8 days / 7 nights

Best season: May - October

Tour type: Small group of 3-13 people

What's included:

Airport transfers, Accommodation for 7 nights (3* hotels, double rooms), Meals: breakfast, All transfers in airconditioned vehicles, English speaking guide/driver service for all days, All admission fees, 1 bottle of water per day (0.5lt.)

What's not included:

Flights, visa fee, medical insurance, lunches & dinners

Itinerary in brief

Day 1 - Arrival in Tbilisi

Day 2 - Kakheti - Telavi - Batonis Tsikhe - Tsindandali - Signaghi - Tbilisi

Day 3 - Tbilisi City Tour

Day 4 - Ananuri - Gudauri - Gergeti - Tbilisi

Day 5 - Vardzia - Paravani - Akhaltsikhe

Day 6 - Rabati - Safara - Borjomi - Kutaisi

Day 7 - Kutaisi City Tour

Day 8 - Departure



Detailed itinerary

Day 1

Transfer from the airport to the hotel.

Overnight: Hotel in Tbilisi

Meals: Breakfast

Duration: 6-7 hours

Length: 200 km

Day 2

Your tour will commence with an exploration of Telavi, the central hub of the Kakheti region. The itinerary will then take you to the Tsinandali estate, which will be an introduction to the patrimony of the renowned Georgian dynasty – Chavchavadze. The estate will amaze you with its labyrinth adorned with exotic trees and cellars holding a unique collection of Georgian and European wines. You will also get to admire the architecture and pleasant ambiance of Signaghi town. Your day will culminate with a tour of the famed Khareba winery. Here, you will have the opportunity to taste local wines and participate in a masterclass on baking shoti bread. Your overnight stay will be at a Tbilisi hotel, with breakfast provided. The day's duration will be 7-8 hours, covering a distance of approximately 250 km.

Overnight: Hotel in Tbilisi

Meals: Breakfast

Duration: 7-8 hours

Length: 250 km

Day 3

You will explore the cosmopolitan city of Tbilisi, which has a vibrant and dynamic atmosphere blending modernity with history. Your day will be dedicated to sightseeing in the city. Starting with open-air Ethnographic Museum showcasing traditional buildings from various Georgian regions, you will then delve into the city center and the old town. The program will include visits to Meidani Square, the Assumption Church, Narikala Fortress, the sulfur baths, Mtatsminda Mount, and other attractions. Your overnight stay will be at a Tbilisi hotel, with breakfast provided. The day's duration will be 5-6 hours, covering a distance of around 60 km.

Overnight: Hotel in Tbilisi

Meals: Breakfast

Duration: 5-6 hours

Length: 60 km

Day 4

In the morning you will have a trip to Ananuri Fortress, situated by the Zhinvali reservoir with picturesque surroundings. From there, you'll head to the Gudauri resort, a popular skiing destination. In Stepantsminda settlement, you'll ascend a hill to reach Gergeti Church, offering breathtaking panoramic views. The day will also include a visit to the Dariali Gorge and the Transfiguration Church. You will return to Tbilisi for your overnight



stay at a hotel, with breakfast provided. The day's duration will be 7-8 hours, covering a distance of approximately 250 km. **Overnight:** Hotel in Tbilisi

Meals: Breakfast

Duration: 7-8 hours

Length: 250 km

Day 5

This day you will head to the fascinating Vardzia cave city, a remarkable sight in the Georgian landscape. High in the mountains, the monolithic rock city will captivate you with narrow tunnels, rock churches, and unique frescoes. Your tour will proceed to Paravani, Georgia's largest lake, followed by a visit to the St. Nino Monastery, known for its distinctive cheeses produced by local nuns. The day's last stop will be the Khertvisi Fortress from the 10th century. Your overnight stay will be in Akhaltsikhe, with breakfast provided. The day's duration will be 8-9 hours, covering a distance of approximately 320 km.

Overnight: Hotel in Akhaltsikhe

Meals: Breakfast

Duration: 8-9 hours

Length: 320 km

Day 6

Your day will commence in Akhaltsikhe, exploring the renowned Rabat Fortress, recently renovated and a prominent attraction in the town. The tour will then proceed to Borjomi resort, allowing you to taste its world-known healing mineral waters. The final destination for the day will be Kutaisi town. Your overnight stay will be at a Kutaisi hotel, with breakfast provided. The day's duration will be 7-8 hours, covering a distance of around 200 km. **Overnight:** Hotel in Kutaisi

Meals: Breakfast

Duration: 7-8 hours

Length: 200 km

Day 7

The day will start with a city tour in Kutaisi – Georgia's second largest metropolitan area. The city is divided into two parts by the Rioni River, connected by bridges like the White Bridge. The Bagrat Temple, one of Georgia's largest churches and a UNESCO site, will be a major attraction. You'll also visit the Sataplia National Reserve, known for its dinosaur traces, and the Gelati Monastery, another UNESCO site. The day will end with a visit to the Motsameta Monastery. You will then drive back to Tbilisi for your overnight stay at a hotel, with breakfast provided. The day's duration will be 7-8 hours, covering a distance of around 280 km.

Overnight: Hotel in Tbilisi

Meals: Breakfast

Duration: 7-8 hours

Length: 280 km



Day 8

Transfer to the airport, departure.



Booking terms and conditions

Once we received your application, confirmed all tour details with you, we will send a deposit invoice. After the deposit of 50-100 euro per person (depending on the tour price) is received, we will start your hotel reservation and other service booking and will send your Tour Voucher with all the trip details.

Payment Terms

After you have booked the tour, it is necessary to make a non-refundable deposit of 50-100 euros, which will provide our coordinators with the possibility to start organizing a trip (hotel reservation, food, transportation, etc.). Final payment could be made after your arrival on the spot. We reserve the right to cancel your booking and apply the relevant cancellation charges (detailed below) if we do not receive all payments at the due time.

Cancellation of the tour

If you or a member of your group wants to cancel the tour, please, inform our company as soon as possible in writing form. Please, note that the prepayment (50-100 euros) is non-refundable, however, you can use it throughout the year and book another tour. In this case, our company will have to charge an extra 100 euros for re-booking the hotel.

Rights and obligations

Tours provided by our company are planned for many months before its inception and are not the subject of change or cancellation. Under the obligation of forced circumstances (weather, holidays) we can make some changes in the itinerary, however, all that relates to services and attractions will remain unchanged.

Please note, that our tours require a minimum number of participants – 2 persons. We reserve the right to cancel the trip, if any tour will not have the minimum number of participants. We will inform you about the cancellation of the tour no later than 30 days before the start and will do the full refund of the amount paid, including the prepayment.

We also request immediately and promptly report all complaints and any claims during the tour. If possible, all problems will be solved. If the tourist does not report any complaint, the compensation will not be implemented. Please, also note that the company AraraTour is not liable for services not included in the tour price. Our responsibility is limited only to the extent provided by our tour.

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