

Trekking to Azhdahak Mount

Key information

Duration: 5 days / 4 nights

Best season: July - August

Tour type: Small group of 3-13 people

What's included:

Transfers from / to the airport, tent accommodation, mountain guide's service, all meals on the mountain, cultural guide for the 4th day, lunch for the 4th day, entrance fees, 1 night at 3* hotel in Yerevan, Vaz car service, 1 bottle of water per day (0.5lt.)

What's not included:

Flights, Visa fee, Medical insurance

Itinerary in brief

Day 1 - Arrival - Sevaberd - Akna Lake

Day 2 - Akna Lake - Mount Azhdahak - Kapuyt Lake (Blue lake)

Day 3 - Kapuyt Lake - Petroglyphs - Vank Lake

Day 4 - Vank Lake - Geghard - Garni - Yerevan

Day 5 - Departure



Detailed itinerary

Day 1

After the arrival at the airport, you will be transferred to Sevaberd village by our comfortable minibus. Here you will be met by the local soviet VAZ car where you will leave your personal luggage in this car. The logistics team will drive to the camping point near the amazing Akna Lake and set the camp. Meanwhile, you will walk through unspoilt and rugged area cut out from civilization to the camping point carrying only lunch packs and water in your back packs. The way will pass through beautiful alpine meadows covered with flowers. Soon the mobile phones will be out of coverage, so no one will be able to reach you. Upon reaching the camping area you will have delicious dinner prepared by our team. *(Hiking – 12 km / descent – 980 m)*

Overnight: *Camp at Akna Lake*

Day 2

This day you will trek to the Mount Azhdahak – the highest peak of the mysterious mountains of Geghama range. We will take steady slow rhythm of trekking to the peak. At the end of the itinerary, you will be rewarded by the amazing landscapes of vast meadows cut from the everyday hustle. Here on the summit, you will enjoy your lunch box and then take a walk down to the blue lake meteor crater near Azhdahak Mount. *(Hiking – 14 km / descent – 75 m)*

Overnight: *Camp at Kapuyt Lake*

Day 3

This day you will trek to Lake Vank located at an altitude of 2,600 m. On the way, you will enjoy the view of colorful summer meadows and cross small rivers. All along the route, you will encounter prehistoric dragon stones, 10-20 feetlong fish-shaped stelae usually near river sources, sometimes with a stream of water flowing from the mouth of the fish. You will also see unique 6000- year-old petroglyphs. *(Hiking – 10 km / descent – 300 m)*

Overnight: *Camp at Vank Lake*

Day 4

This day you will leave your camp at Vank Lake and head to Kotayk region where is located the monastery of Geghard. It is a unique creation of the Armenian architecture, the part of which is carved in the adjacent rock. It was first founded in the IV century but got its modern form in the XIII-th century after the reconstruction. Now Geghard is UNESCO heritage object. The same day you will visit the village of Garni located not far from the monastery. Here is located the only surviving example of the Hellenistic architecture in the region – the temple of Garni. After the excursion you will return to Yerevan. *(Hiking – 10 km / descent – 300 m)*

Overnight: *Hotel in Yerevan*

Day 5

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 Arara Tour is not liable for services not included in the tour price. Our responsibility is limited only to the extent provided by our tour.

Force majeure or any other event which is beyond our control and which is not preventable by reasonable diligence on our part frees both parties from liability or obligation. In case of Force majeure, we don't issue any refund.

Insolvency or bankruptcy insurance

Tour operator Arara guarantees the refund of clients' money for unfulfilled services even in the case of company's own insolvency or bankruptcy.

