



Two beauties of the Caucasus: Armenia & Georgia

7 days /6nights

The program is valid from 2 pax on any date of arrival



As they sing in a popular song - Armenia and Georgia are two sisters, two beauties. It's hard to say which one is more beautiful. And in order not to argue, you should visit both of them and feel all colors and spirit of our two beauties. Although 7 days is not a long time for a trip, our tour will cover all the main sights of Armenia and Georgia: Yerevan and Tbilisi, Garni, Geghard and Bodbe.

In Sighnaghi, the city of love, take a walk through the lovely streets; In Sevan enjoy the beautiful scenery of our blue pearl.

Do not miss the chance to taste delicious Caucasian cuisine and taste unique Armenian brandy and Georgian wine.

And master-classes of making churchkhela, mtsvadi and lavash will attract everybody.

Day 1: Yerevan!

Our program starts in Yerevan. Meeting at the airport <<Zvartnots>> and transfer to the hotel. Accommodation and rest in the hotel. Then you will see our wonderful Yerevan with its attractions: the building of the Opera and Ballet Theatre; the Cascade, a unique architectural complex of modern sculptures by famous masters. Take a walk through the square of the Cascade and see all the masterpieces by Botero. When you go up to the observation deck, an incredibly amazing view of the whole city opens from there. It's a good chance to take cool photos.

At the end of the tour you will have an excursion and tasting of the famous sorts of Armenian brandy at <<Ararat>> brandy factory. In the evening you will be delighted with colorful lights on the main square of Armenia.

Day 2: Khor Virap-Noravank-Areni-Yerevan

Breakfast at the hotel. Two majestic monuments of architecture — Khor Virap and Noravank- will be on the list of must-see places.

Khor Virap, a monastery-fortress is located on a hill where from a magnificent view of the biblical mount Ararat opens. Khor Virap is considered one of the shrines of the Armenian Apostolic Church and a place of pilgrimage. According to the Chronicles Gregory the Enlightener, the founder of the adoption of Christianity in Armenia (301) bore his torments here for 14 years by order of king Tiradatus III.

The next attraction of our tour is "a new monastery" or Noravank Monastery. It was built in the 13th century among the beautiful red rocks. In Noravank monastery complex a two-storey church of Astvatsatsin will draw your attention. Medieval Armenian artisans showed their talents in the decoration of the walls of the Church of Astvatsatsin.

After lunch in a cozy restaurant we go to taste the most delicious wines of this region in Areni village.

Besides tasting, you will have a tour at the winery.

We return to Yerevan in a good mood.

Day 3: Garni-Geghard-Sevan

Breakfast at the hotel. We'd like to show you the masterpieces of architecture of different eras, so after breakfast we are going to Garni and Geghard.

Garni is a former summer residence of Armenian kings(1st century), the only pagan temple, which according to legend was dedicated to the God of the Sun.

Lunch is offered in one of the restaurant complexes << Garni Tun>>, where you can not only taste delicious national cuisine, but also participate in lavash baking or dolma cooking.

The next destination of our program is Geghard monastery (12-13 centuries). The monastery was founded in the 4th century on the site of a sacred spring in the cave. Therefore, it was originally named ayrivank, which means "cave monastery". According to legend, the founder of the monastery was St. Gregory the Illuminator. The monastery complex is included in the UNESCO world heritage list.

Then we continue our tour to Sevan, and you admire an amazing picture of blue pearl of Armenia, Lake Sevan. On the Peninsula we will visit Sevanavank (9 C.), one of the ancient monasteries of Armenia. The picture from the peninsula is just magnificent!

We will definitely try the local fish in Sevan. Transfer to the hotel in Sevan.

Day 4: Sevan — Dilijan — Haghartsin — Bagratashen — Tbilisi

After breakfast we leave Sevan for Dilijan. In Armenian Switzerland, we will walk through the old city, and then go to Haghartsin monastery(11-13V.), the masterpiece of medieval Armenian architecture, which is cozily located among the wooded mountains.

After the tour in Haghartsin, we are driving from Armenia to Georgia. Meeting at the customs in Bagratashen.

After customs procedures transfer to Tbilisi. Arrival in Tbilisi and transfer to your chosen hotel, accommodation and rest. Evening Tbilisi is waiting for you. With a guide we go to discover the most beautiful places of the warm city: Metekhi temple, which is located on a high rock hanging over the banks of the Kura River; old Tbilisi; the ancient fortress of Narikala, Abanotubani quarter, the historical part of the city where the famous sulfur baths are located. Then we will walk along the Sharden, the tourist street of Tbilisi with its cozy cafes and restaurants.

Dinner in one of the national restaurants with traditions of Georgian feast, Georgian folk dances. Return to the hotel.

Day 5: Tbilisi-Bodbe-Sighnaghi-Kvareli

Breakfast at the hotel. We will proceed to the homeland of vines and wine, to Kakheti. In the wonderful town of Sighnaghi you will feel that the whole city is wrapped with love and warmth. From the slopes of the mountain, where Sighnaghi is located, you can enjoy a magnificent view of the Alazani valley with its slender rows of vineyards. The next attraction that beautiful Georgia wants to show us is the Bodbe convent, which has a special place in the spiritual life of Georgia.

To be in Georgia, Kakheti, and not to try Georgian wine means you have not been to Georgia. Visit the old winery and tasting Georgian vodka and different sorts of wines.

Optionally: you can participate in the master-classes of "churchkhela" and "mtsvadi" or in baking of Georgian bread. Lunch at a local restaurant.

Then transfer to the hotel in Kvareli. Accommodation and overnight at the hotel.

Day 6: Kvareli-Gremi-Telavi-Tbilisi

After breakfast at the hotel we will visit the fortress Gremi, which was once the powerful capital of Kakheti (16-17 centuries) and served as a trading city on the great Silk road.

The program also includes a visit to the Orthodox monastery of the Alaverdi Cathedral (11 century) and the Georgian Prince Chavchavadze Museum in Tsinandali. In Tsinandali you will walk along the beautiful park, visit the Museum and taste local wine.

After lunch — return to Tbilisi and transfer to the hotel .

Evening is free.

Day 7: Tbilisi-airport

Breakfast at the hotel. The program will end in Tbilisi. Depending on your flight-transfer to Tbilisi international airport for departure home

The price of the program includes:

- All the transfers
- Excursions according to the program
- Guide service
- Accommodation in 3*/4*/ 5 * hotels*
- Wine, vodka and brandy tasting.
- Master classes
- Entrance tickets to museums and historical complexes
- Meals mentioned in the program

** The program is subject to change. The program can start in Tbilisi, depending on tourists' requests.