

Highlights of Armenia - 5 days

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This short introductory tour packs a lot into five days. You'll enjoy Armenia in microcosm, visiting several of its UNESCO World Heritage sites, including the breathtaking Khor Virap and Noravank monasteries, and the unusual Temple of Garni. You'll get to know the capital city Yerevan, with its Soviet-era architecture, bustling market and views from the Cascade of Mount Ararat. Round off your Armenia education with a visit to Areni Winery.

DEPARTURE DATES:

07.15.2025; 07.22.2025; 07.29.2025; 08.05.2025; 08.12.2025; 08.19.2025; 08.26.2025;
09.02.2025; 09.09.2025; 09.16.2025; 09.23.2025; 09.30.2025; 10.07.2025; 10.14.2025;
10.21.2025; 10.28.2025; 11.04.2025; 11.11.2025; 11.18.2025; 11.25.2025; 12.02.2025;
12.09.2025; 12.16.2025.

ITINERARY

Day 1 - Yerevan

Today you'll arrive in the Armenian capital Yerevan. Transfer to your hotel is included. Overnight in Yerevan. (D)

Day 2 - Yerevan - Ejmiatsin - Zvartnots - Yerevan

This morning, the city tour of Yerevan begins at Republic Square, where you'll take in the impressive architecture and enjoy the vibrant display of the Singing Fountains. After that, we'll head to the Yerevan Cascade, where you'll ride the escalators to the top for panoramic views of the city and the distant Mount Ararat. A stroll through Vernissage, Yerevan's largest open-air market, is next on the agenda, giving you the chance to browse through antiques and local crafts. We'll then visit the Matenadaran, which holds an extraordinary collection of ancient manuscripts covering various subjects. Afterward, we'll make our way to the Armenian Genocide Memorial and Museum, where you'll have the opportunity to reflect on the tragic events of 1915 and understand the impact they had on Armenia's history. In the afternoon, we will take a trip outside Yerevan to Echmiadzin, the site of Armenia's oldest cathedral, and then visit the UNESCO-recognized ruins of the 7th-century Zvartnots Cathedral. Return to Yerevan for dinner. Overnight in Yerevan. (B, D)

Day 3 - Yerevan - Garni - Geghard - Yerevan

Today's itinerary offers a chance to explore two remarkable historical sites, along with the breathtaking scenery of Garni Gorge. We begin our journey at the Temple of Garni, a unique Ionic pagan temple distinguished by its Greco-Roman colonnades - an architectural marvel in Armenia. Originally constructed in the 1st century AD, it suffered damage during a 17th-century earthquake but was meticulously restored in the early 1970s. Following our visit, we'll venture to Garni Gorge, famous for its dramatic basalt formations known as the "Symphony of Stones," creating a captivating landscape perfect for photography. Our final stop will be the UNESCO-listed Geghard Monastery, established by Gregory the Illuminator in the 4th century. This stunning site houses a sacred spring within a cave, and while the current church structure dates to 1315, the spring remains a cherished part of its history. Before returning to Yerevan, you'll have the opportunity to participate in a traditional lavash-baking experience. Enjoy sampling fresh lavash with local cheese and herbs for an authentic taste of Armenia. After our explorations, we'll return to Yerevan, where the rest of the day is yours to enjoy at leisure. Overnight in Yerevan. (B, D)

Day 4 - Yerevan - Khor Virap - Noravank - Areni - Yerevan

We'll kick off today's itinerary at the Khor Virap Monastery, an ideal spot for morning views of the distant Mount Ararat just across the border. The stunning vistas from the monastery are a highlight, and don't miss the chance to descend into its well. Next, we'll head to Noravank, beautifully nestled in a canyon, offering an even more breathtaking backdrop. Be sure to climb to the second floor of the church for remarkable views over the valley below. Afterward, we'll visit Birds' Cave, a significant archaeological site that offers fascinating insights into the ancient cultures and traditions of the region. Finally, our journey takes us to Areni, where we'll partake in a wine-tasting at one of Armenia's finest wineries, perfect for selecting a bottle or two to take home. Overnight in Yerevan. (B, D)

Day 5 - Yerevan

Today is departure day. We hope you've enjoyed this brief introduction to Armenia and its capital and have made many happy memories. (B)

TOUR INCLUSIONS AND OPTIONAL EXTRAS

Included

- Accommodation
- Guided tours & cultural programme
- English - speaking guides
- Half board meals
- Ground transportation
- Airport transfers

Not included

- Personal travel insurance
- Optional excursions

Practical information

- About Best of Caucasus company
- How our tours are run
- Contact our travel consultants

AVAILABLE PACKAGES

COMFORT - 3* PACKAGE

Dates	Tour Price	Single suppliment
07/15/2025 - 07/19/2025	\$1095	\$145
07/22/2025 - 07/26/2025	\$1095	\$145
07/29/2025 - 08/02/2025	\$1095	\$145
08/05/2025 - 08/09/2025	\$1095	\$145
08/12/2025 - 08/16/2025	\$1095	\$145
08/19/2025 - 08/23/2025	\$1095	\$145
08/26/2025 - 08/30/2025	\$1095	\$145
09/02/2025 - 09/06/2025	\$1095	\$145
09/09/2025 - 09/13/2025	\$1095	\$145
09/16/2025 - 09/20/2025	\$1095	\$145
09/23/2025 - 09/27/2025	\$1095	\$145
09/30/2025 - 10/04/2025	\$1095	\$145
10/07/2025 - 10/11/2025	\$1095	\$145
10/14/2025 - 10/18/2025	\$1095	\$145
10/21/2025 - 10/25/2025	\$1095	\$145
10/28/2025 - 11/01/2025	\$1095	\$145
11/04/2025 - 11/08/2025	\$1095	\$145
11/11/2025 - 11/15/2025	\$1095	\$145
11/18/2025 - 11/22/2025	\$1095	\$145
11/25/2025 - 11/29/2025	\$1095	\$145
12/02/2025 - 12/06/2025	\$1095	\$145
12/09/2025 - 12/13/2025	\$1095	\$145
12/16/2025 - 12/20/2025	\$1095	\$145

PREMIUM - 4* PACKAGE

Dates	Tour Price	Single suppliment
07/15/2025 - 07/19/2025	\$1195	\$175
07/22/2025 - 07/26/2025	\$1195	\$175
07/29/2025 - 08/02/2025	\$1195	\$175
08/05/2025 - 08/09/2025	\$1195	\$175
08/12/2025 - 08/16/2025	\$1195	\$175
08/19/2025 - 08/23/2025	\$1195	\$175
08/26/2025 - 08/30/2025	\$1195	\$175
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11/25/2025 - 11/29/2025	\$1195	\$175
12/02/2025 - 12/06/2025	\$1195	\$175
12/09/2025 - 12/13/2025	\$1195	\$175
12/16/2025 - 12/20/2025	\$1195	\$175

ALTERNATIVE TOURS AND TAILOR-MADE ARRANGEMENTS

In addition to organized group tours, we also offer individual trips. This could be an entirely separate holiday arrangement or an extension to a regular "Best of Caucasus" trip. Whether you would like to travel independently, or just with the group of your friends or colleagues, we can help to realise your holiday plans. Depending on your preference for either comfort or budget, we can help you to design the ideal itinerary and provide the optimal value-for-money quote. Please [contact us for a quote](#).

Based on your chosen tour we believe you might be interested in alternative trips listed below:

- > [Best of Armenia - 8 days \(AM-02\)](#), Price from \$1,595, 8 days
- > [Great Armenian Discovery - 10 days \(AM-03\)](#), Price from \$1,995, 10 days
- > [Highlights of Iran and Armenia - 15 days \(CT-04\)](#), Price from \$2,995, 15 days
- > [Short Break in Istanbul with a Visit to Cappadocia - 6 days \(TR-02\)](#), Price from \$1,245, 6 days

HOW TO BOOK

Step 1 - Choose Your Holiday & Departure Dates

It is important that you choose a trip that is well suited to your interests, capabilities and experience. All our staff has first hand experience of a range of Best of Caucasus holidays and will be happy to talk to you about your chosen trip, enabling you to assess its suitability. We also recommend that you read the descriptions of the relevant region, general information about our services, booking conditions, and trip dossiers carefully. Once you know what tour is right for you, as well as your departure dates, you can start your booking.

Step 2 - Complete the Booking Form

Online: log on to www.best-of-caucasus.com and open the tour you wish to book and click "Book now". To provide you with a more personalised and relevant experience in all your contact with Best of Caucasus, when you book online we ask you to register on our system. Once registered you can retrieve your bookings, update newsletter subscriptions, passenger and emergency contact details, submit special dietary requests, view invoices and receipts, download trip documents.

Email: alternatively, you can book your tour per email - info@best-of-caucasus.com, or

Phone: call us on **+1 (917) 259 13 33**

When booking by email or over the phone please confirm your personal details (full name and address), chosen tour, departure date, package type (hotel category), and available upgrades.

Step 3 - Confirmation of your booking

On receipt of your booking form, we will make any necessary reservations for you and send you confirmation invoice, including the flight details, and additional information about your destination: advice on visas, vaccinations and what to take. The invoice will also show you the exact due date of the payment.

Step 4 - Payment

Please note, if your departure date is more than 56 days you will need to pay the deposit, which should cover the full cost of the flight (if applicable), plus 10% of the land-only arrangements (minimum \$250) per person towards your tour. The outstanding payment must be made 56 days prior to departure. If you book less than 56 days before departure, full payment must be made at the time of your booking. You can make your payment by bank transfer, debit or credit card, cheque, bankers draft or postal order. You will find all relevant payment details in your invoice.

On request we can organise an additional programme for you, please inquire about the price and availability of the optional excursions.

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