

Luxury Georgia Tour: Tbilisi, Gori, Kazbegi - 7 days

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This 7 day tour is Georgia in a nutshell. If you don't have unlimited time to spare, yet wish to combine city and countryside, this luxury tour is ideal. You'll enjoy the convenience of using Tbilisi as your base, meaning you can tour some of Georgia's prettiest and most interesting spots without having to unpack and repack your bags each night. From the capital, we'll show you the winemaking region of Kakheti, mountainous Kazbegi and Gori, the birthplace of Stalin.

The emphasis is on comfort and your upscale hotel will give you a place to rest well each night so that you are fully refreshed for the following day's sightseeing programme.

DEPARTURE DATES:

05.04.2024; 05.11.2024; 05.18.2024; 05.25.2024; 06.01.2024; 06.08.2024; 06.15.2024;
06.22.2024; 06.29.2024; 07.06.2024; 07.13.2024; 07.20.2024; 07.27.2024; 08.03.2024;
08.10.2024; 08.17.2024; 08.24.2024; 08.31.2024; 09.07.2024; 09.14.2024; 09.21.2024;
09.28.2024; 10.05.2024; 10.12.2024; 10.19.2024; 10.26.2024; 11.02.2024; 11.09.2024;
11.16.2024; 11.23.2024; 11.30.2024; 12.07.2024; 12.14.2024.

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Day 1 - Tbilisi

Welcome to Georgia. We'll meet you at the airport and transfer you to your centrally located hotel in Tbilisi. Relax as you prepare for your adventure to begin. Overnight Tbilisi.

Day 2 - Tbilisi

Tbilisi has charm by the bucket load and that's especially the case in and around the city's old town. Here, wooden mansions and stone churches jostle for space on the hills that flank the river, leading the eye up to the Narikala Fortress and a landmark statue known as Mother Georgia. Our guide knows the best places to absorb these views and while you admire your surroundings, they'll fill you in a little on how the Georgian capital took shape. You'll visit some of the city's most important buildings, like the Sioni Cathedral where worshippers have gathered since the 12th century and Antchiskhati Church, which is even older, built in the 6th century. We'll round off this first full day over on Rustaveli Avenue, where you'll see a more modern side to Tbilisi. Breakfast, dinner and overnight Tbilisi.

Day 3 - Tbilisi - Signagi - Bodbe - Tbilisi

You don't actually need to travel very far in Georgia to find somewhere that's very different to Tbilisi yet equally compelling. Today, that place is Signagi, which we'll visit for the day together with Bodbe Monastery which you'll find just a couple of kilometres down the road. Signagi is unmistakably a wine-making town, a pretty little place which is partially enclosed by some well maintained fortifications which feature 29 magnificent towers. You can look out over the surrounding Kakheti region and appreciate the view, before we take you to meet a local family for an included wine tasting. Afterwards, you'll have time to wander through the grounds of Bodbe Monastery, flanked by cypress trees and a delightful formal garden, before we drive back to Tbilisi in time for dinner. Breakfast, dinner and overnight Tbilisi.

Day 4 - Tbilisi - Mtskheta - Gori - Uplistsikhe - Tbilisi

Tbilisi hasn't always been Georgia's capital. From the 3rd to the 5th century AD, that status belonged to Mtskheta. Today, it contains a cluster of important historical and religious buildings, and is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Your guide will explain the significance of Djvari Church (6th century) and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral (11th century). Next we'll drive to Gori, around an hour away by road. This town was where Joseph Stalin was born, and its fascinating museum, as captivating as it is creepy, is a kind of shrine to the now infamous Russian leader. Close to Gori is another UNESCO site, yet something completely different: Uplistsikhe cave town, cut out of the rock many centuries ago. Breakfast, dinner and overnight Tbilisi.

Day 5 - Tbilisi - Ananuri - Kazbegi - Tbilisi

Pretty Ananuri is our first stop today, a castle complex beside a reservoir. Climb its crenellated walls and take in the view before we hit the Georgian Military Highway bound for Kazbegi. Don't be fooled by the name. In fact, this is one of the most scenic roads in the country, a route that takes you into the mountains of the Great Caucasus. Up here, you'll find Gudauri, one of the country's premier ski resorts and our focus today, the town of

Kazbegi, aka Stepantsminda. Just out of town, high on a hillside at 2170 metres above sea level, is one of Georgia's most spectacular churches. Known as Gergeti Trinity Church, this remarkable place is reached by jeep on a bumpy road. It's well worth being shaken up a little. The views from up there are jaw-dropping. Breakfast, dinner and overnight Tbilisi.

Day 6 - Tbilisi

Today we've allocated a mostly free day so that you can explore Tbilisi on your own. We ticked off many of the city's important historic sites at the beginning of your tour, so you can spend time doing something different. One visitor destination just outside the capital is officially called the Chronicles of Georgia, though some locals jokingly refer to it as Georgia's Stonehenge. Standing around 30 metres tall, its 16 pillars are covered with biblical scenes, kings and queens. Tbilisi itself boasts many sulphur baths, so perhaps take a soak in the mineral-rich water and let your mind wander to all the incredible places you've seen since you arrived. Tonight, the group will gather for a farewell dinner in a traditional Georgian restaurant. As you eat, there'll be folk dancing or singing too - a fitting end to a great tour. Breakfast, dinner and overnight Tbilisi.

Day 7 - Tbilisi

All that's left is for us to accompany you to the airport for your flight home. We wish you a pleasant and safe journey. We hope that our tour exceeded your expectations and that we will see you in Georgia again very soon.

TOUR INCLUSIONS AND OPTIONAL EXTRAS

Included

- [Accommodation](#)
- [Guided tours & cultural programme](#)
- [English - speaking guides](#)
- [Half board meals](#)
- [Evening entertainment](#)
- [Ground transportation](#)
- [Airport transfers](#)

Not included

- [Personal travel insurance](#)
- [Optional excursions](#)

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AVAILABLE PACKAGES

LUXURY - 5* PACKAGE

Dates	Tour Price	Single suppliment
05/04/2024 - 05/10/2024	\$1895	\$355
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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:

- > [Luxury Armenia Tour - 8 days \(AM-06\)](#), Price from \$1,895, 8 days
- > [Luxury Georgia Tour: Tbilisi, Signagi, Borjomi - 8 days \(GE-09\)](#), Price from \$2,195, 8 days
- > [Great Georgian Discovery - 11 days \(GE-03\)](#), Price from \$1,995, 11 days
- > [Discover Armenia, Georgia and Azerbaijan - 16 days \(CT-02\)](#), Price from \$3,195, 16 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.

