

GEORGIA, TBILISI CULTURAL TOUR

7 Days 6 Nights



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Here are 9 Reasons to visit Georgia

1. Tbilisi: An eclectic melting pot 2. Ushguli: Europe's highest village 3. The birthplace of wine 4. Mysterious cave cities. 5. Supra: A traditional Georgian feast 6. Remote mountain villages 7. Europe's most surreal museum 8. Beautiful and ancient churches 9. The people and Georgian hospitality
Georgia is a uniquely beautiful country of the Caucasus. Here you can see grand and ancient churches with the mountains, monasteries, and fortresses. In this 7-day trip, you will feel the soul of this amazing country.

Tour Highlight:

- Day 2: Tbilisi city tour (Sameba & Metekhi Cathedrals, Anchiskhati, Narikala Fortress, Bridge of Peace, Chardin Avenue)
- Day 3: Singhnaghi, Kakheti (Winery, St. Nino Sources, Georges' Monastery)
- Day 4: Ananuri Monastery Fortress, Zhinvali Reservoir (Gudauri), Kazbegi
- Day 5: Akhaltsikhe, Rabath Fortress, Borjomi National Park
- Day 6: Mtskheta (Jvari Monastery)

PACK 1: Package is quoted Per Person in USD and includes:

- ✈ Round trip ticket to Beirut/Tbilisi/Beirut on Georgian Airways
- ✈ Airport Taxes
- 🛏 06-Night accommodation in **TBILISI** at the hotel of your choice.
- 🍳 Bed and Breakfast basis
- 🚗 Private Transfer Airport/Hotel/Airport.
- 👤 Guide-Driver Services
- 🚠 Cable Car in Tbilisi
- 🎫 Entrance to Rabath
- 🎫 Entrance to Borjomi Park
- 🚗 Delica (change car to gergety trinity)
- 📅 **Flights:** Every Monday
- 📅 **Validity:** From July 17th till September 4th



Star	Hotel Name	2 Persons	4 Persons	6 Persons
3	Ibis Budget	\$ 1,072	\$ 937	\$ 870
4	Tbilisi Inn	\$ 1,122	\$ 988	\$ 916
4	Zeg	\$ 1,139	\$ 1,004	\$ 933

PACK 2: Package is quoted Per Person in USD and includes:

- ✈️ 06-Night accommodation in **TBILISI** at the hotel of your choice.
- 🍳 Bed and Breakfast basis
- 🚗 Private Transfer Airport/Hotel/Airport.
- 👤 Guide-Driver Services
- 🚠 Cable Car in Tbilisi
- 🎫 Entrance to Rabath
- 🎫 Entrance to Borjomi Park
- 🚗 Delica (change car to gergety trinity)
- 🛡️ Travel insurance covering Covid
- 📅 Validity: From June 1st till October 30th 2023
- 🚫 Package excludes airline ticket

Star	Hotel Name	2 Persons	4 Persons	6 Persons
3	Ibis Budget	\$ 637	\$ 502	\$ 435
4	Tbilisi Inn	\$ 687	\$ 553	\$ 481
4	Zeg	\$ 704	\$ 569	\$ 498

Important Notices:

- ⚠️ Prices are subject to change according to Availability at the Time of Booking.
- ⚠️ Hotels may be replaced with others of the same category / rating.
- ⚠️ The Itinerary might be changed. An update would be sent if any.
- ⚠️ We strongly recommend a Travel Insurance covering Covid.

ITINERARY

Day 1. Arrival to Tbilisi international airport. Meeting with guide-driver and transfer to the hotel. Standard check in. free time and overnight.

Day 2: TIBLISI CITY TOUR



Tbilisi today is one of the most modern and cosmopolitan cities in the Caucasus. The city has been destroyed and rebuilt nearly 30 times following wars and invasions.

Tbilisi city tour: Visit **SAMEBA CATHEDRAL** and **METEKHI CATHEDRAL** founded in the 13th century. **ANCHISKHATI**-Tbilisi ancient temple, consecrated in honor of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Continue to **NARIKALA FORTRESS** and its **ST. NIKOLAS CHURCH**. Walk up the fortress stairs to get a "bird-eye" view of this magical city. Narikala can be seen from any point within Old Tbilisi. Pause at the president "BRIDGE OF PEACE", the 2nd largest in the world. Visit the Old Tbilisi well-known for its sulfur bathhouses fed by natural hot springs.

In the evening, stroll along the famous **SHARDENI STREET** (the Gorgian Champs-Elysees) where you find modern, popular restaurants, open air café-bars, trendy night clubs and art galleries.. wander around the hip “**LESELIDZE**” street Overnight in Tbilisi.

Day 3: KAKHETI TOUR



Breakfast then journey to Kakheti, the wine area. There are 2,000 varieties of grapes worldwide, of which 500 varieties grow here in Kakheti. Drive to “**SIGNAGHI**” the beautiful city of love. Famous for its eponymous castle, included in the list of the most famous and largest forts in Georgia.

Signaghi is perhaps Georgia's single most attractive town, with an amazing position perched on a lofty hilltop facing the snowcapped Caucasus looming in the distance across the vast **Alazani valley**. Full of 18th and 19th century architecture and with a vaguely Tuscan feel, Signaghi has seen a comprehensive renovation program and has seen scores of hotels open. the town has retained its easy charm and is still a lovely place to spend a couple of days.

Descend to the sources of St. Nino (a 30-min walking). Visit “**Bodbe**” -

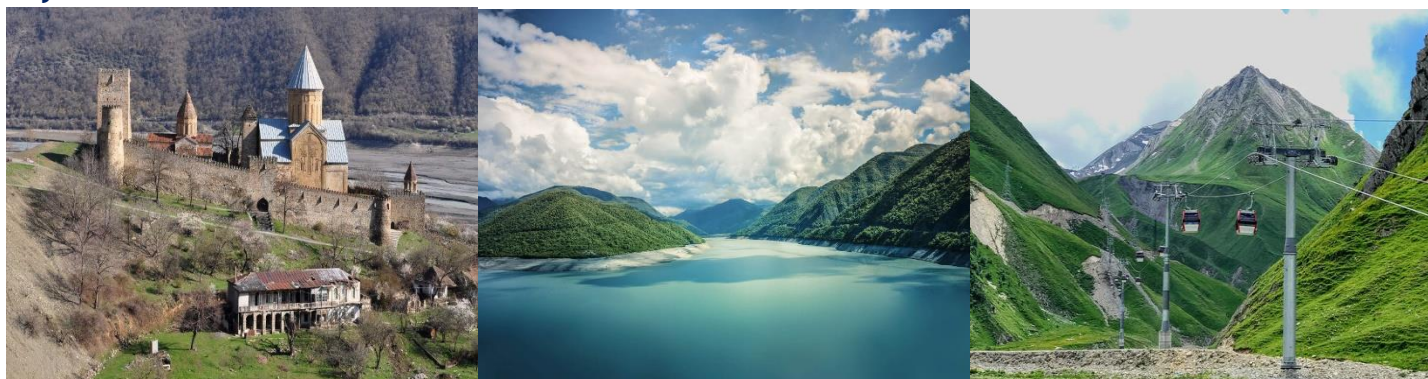
Bodbe Convent, the revered final resting place of St Nino, is set among tall cypresses 2km south of Signaghi, a pleasant walk on country roads. The little church was originally built over the saint's grave by King Mirian in the 4th century. A steep path leads 800m down to a small chapel built over St Nino's Spring, which reputedly burst forth after she prayed on this spot. Pilgrims queue up to drink and splash themselves with the holy water.

The monastery complex of St. George's Episcopal. The monastic complex comprises the 9th century St. George's Monastery founded by St. Gregory, a tower and fragments of a 12th century defensive wall.

In the evening return to Tbilisi.

Overnight at the hotel.

Day 4: ANANURI MONASTERY FORTRESS



Breakfast then drive through the Georgian Military Road to **ANANURI MONASTERY FORTRESS**, situated on **Zhinvali reservoir**. Admire the famous **GUDAURI SKI RESORT** (2,195m altitude).

Head to **STEPANTSMINDA** (the climbing resort on Great Caucasus' mountains).

This is most people's destination on the Georgian Military Hwy: a valley town with the famous hilltop silhouette of **Tsminda Sameba Church** and the towering snowy cone of **Mt Kazbek** looking down from the west. Now officially named Stepantsminda, but still commonly known as **KAZBEGi**, it's a base for some wonderful walking and mountain biking.

Contemplate this 14th-century church 2,200m above Stepantsminda, a symbol of Georgia for its incomparably photogenic hilltop ..and for the fierce determination involved in building it on such a lofty, isolated perch. The views back over Stepantsminda are incredible. Return to Tbilisi. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 5: AKHALTSIKHE



Breakfast then drive to **Rabath**, City of Akhaltsikhe (formerly known as Lomsiya), the administrative center of the region **Samtskhe-Javakheti** and **Akhaltsikhe** district. The city is located in the **basin of Akhaltsikhe** on the banks of the river **Potskhovi**, at an altitude of 1,000m above sea level. Visit the Rabat's fortress. Rabat is a city in the city; composed of historical fortresses, towers, churches, and mosques, modern institutions of different types, such as tourist information center, restaurant, cafe, gift shop and clothing, museum, marriage, etc. Head to **Borjomi** and its famous park. Drink from its spring of healing water. Return to Tbilisi. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 6: MTSKHETA



Drive to Uplistsikhe - an amazing and ancient city, carved in the rock in the 7th century. The Historical Monuments of **Mtskheta** are located in the cultural landscape at the confluence of the **Aragvi** and **Mtkvari Rivers**, 20km northwest of Tbilisi. Highlights: 1) **Jvari Monastery** (5th century, there is church of the same name in Jerusalem) - according to legend, this temple was erected over the exuded fragrant oil (myrrh) stump of the cedar, under this cedar St.Nino was praying; 2) **Svetitskhoveli Cathedral** (the sacred place for every Christian Orthodox); 3) **Samtavro Monastery** (where the king Mirjan and Princess Nana lie. They were the first who recognized Christianity in Georgia. Feast your eyes and senses with the year-round growing, flowering and fruiting blackberry bush. Here lived and preached St. Nino, the enlightener and the first preacher of Christianity in Georgia). Enlisted as the UNESCO World Heritage Site, Mtskheta was the ancient capital of Kartli, the East Georgian Kingdom from the 3rd century BC to the 5th century AD. It was also the location where Christianity was proclaimed as the official religion in Georgia in 337. To date, it still remains the headquarters of the Georgian Orthodox and Apostolic Church. In the evening return to Tbilisi. Overnight at hotel.

Day 7: Breakfast at the hotel. Check out. Transfer to Tbilisi international Airport.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

<p>TBILISI Sites to See Cathedral Sameba built in the 21st century, and is the 2nd largest temple in the World; Cathedral Metekhi' founded in the 13th century; Anchiskhati-Tbilisi ancient temple, consecrated in honor of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary; The bridge named by the president "Bridge of Peace" and is the 2nd largest in the world known for its architecture.</p>		
Old Tbilisi	Narikala Fortress	Rustaveli Avenue & Freedom Square
Dry Bridge (home to a famous flea market)	Tbilisi Funicular (finest example of cable railways in the world)	Agmashenebeli Avenue (one of the longest and most beautiful streets of the city. Here you can find gorgeous historic buildings, painted entryways and distinctive architectural ornaments.
Museums & Art Palace Of Georgia	Gabriadze Theater	Holy Trinity Cathedral (one of the tallest Eastern Orthodox cathedrals in the World. Includes an underground, 9 chapels, buildings, gardens)

SIGHNAGHI (The City of Love is an hour from Tbilisi)

- ✦ Kakheti region, Wine and spirits. Taste the Georgian bread, cheese and Chacha
- ✦ Signagi, one of the most beautiful towns, with its unusually peculiar architecture, charming houses...
- ✦ Bodbe monastery is 2 km far from Signaghi linked to the adoption of Christianity. The monastery's area is covered with wonderful flowers, bushes and vineyards. St. George Cathedral, part of the monastery, holds the remains of St. Nino, Equal to the Apostles, who brought Christianity to Georgia.
- ✦ Winery Khareba is Georgia's largest wine cellar. There is perfect storage conditions for wine, 7,7 km of tunnels and galleries.