

Georgia and Armenia Classical Tour

Explore the hidden gems of Georgia and Armenia during this 10-day trip and enjoy Caucasian hospitality at its best. From ancient temples and monasteries perched high in the mountains to prehistoric rock carvings and volcanic landscapes, this fascinating region offers a wealth of ever-changing sights. Visiting these two bright countries of the South Caucasus is the perfect chance to discover their great culture, rich history and stunning nature.

Key information

Duration: 9 days / 8 nights

Tour type: Small group / individual (starting from 2 persons)

What's included:

Private airport transfers according to your arrival time, Accommodation in hotels for 8 nights (3* hotels with free Wi-Fi, double/twin room), Meals: breakfast, All transfers in air-conditioned/heated cars/buses, English speaking guide service for all days, All admission fees, Wine tasting in Signaghi, 4-wheel drive vehicle for Gergeti Trinity Church, 24-hour office support, 1 bottle (0,5 litre) of water per day per person

What's not included:

Flights, Visa fee, Medical insurance, Lunches and dinners

Itinerary in brief

Day 1 - Arrival in Tbilisi

Day 2 - Tbilisi City Tour - Mtskheta

Day 3 - Ananuri - Gudauri - Kazbegi - Gergeti - Tbilisi

Day 4 - Signaghi - Telavi - Tsindandali - Tbilisi

Day 5 - Geogrian-Armenian border - Dilijan - Sevan - Yerevan

Day 6 - Yerevan City Tour - Echmiadzin

Day 7 - Khor Virap - Noravank - Yerevan

Day 8 - Garni - Geghard - Yerevan

Day 9 - Departure



Detailed itinerary

Day 1

Arrival at the airport, transfer to the hotel. From this very moment, your acquaintance with Georgia will start. In recent years, more and more tourists from around the world are choosing Georgia as an attractive tourist destination. Its fantastic mountain landscapes, unique culture and mouth-watering national cuisine don't leave anyone indifferent. With the help of our professional guide, you will plunge into the local culture and reveal lots of secrets. After your check-in at the hotel, you can stroll around the city centre, have a cup of coffee in the cosy cafes and feel the hospitality of Tbilisi.

Overnight: Hotel in Tbilisi

Meals: Breakfast

Day 2

The city tour in Tbilisi starts with a visit to Tsminda Sameba – the main church of Georgian Orthodox Church and the highest temple in Georgia. The historic district of Metekhi is our next must-see place, where we explore the Assumption Church located on the picturesque hill. We visit one of the most beautiful parks in Tbilisi – Rike Park and continue to the modern Bridge of Peace. The cable car takes us to the Narikala fortress to enjoy spectacular views of Tbilisi. After a pleasant walk through Botanical Garden with the amazing waterfall, we visit the sulfuric baths – famous bath complex (XVII-XIX cc.), standing on the natural sulfur springs. Lively Shardeni street with cosy cafes and art galleries is our next spot. Before our last sightseeing, we explore the Sioni Cathedral – one of the most famous monuments of the Old Town and then we reach the Mtatsminda Mount by funicular railway. After the city tour, you will head to Mtskheta - the first capital and the religious centre of Georgia. We go up the hill to the Jvari Monastery – the amazing symbol of the Georgian church architecture. According to the legend, at the site of the monastery St. Nino established one of her three crosses. This area offers a breathtaking view of the confluence of the Aragvi and Kura rivers.

Overnight: Hotel in Tbilisi

Meals: Breakfast

Day 3

This day starts with the excursion to the Ananuri Fortress – a well-preserved castle on the shore of the Zhinvali reservoir, the former defensive fortress of the feudal era. We have a stop in Gudauri to enjoy the amazing views of the Great Caucasus Mountain Range. In our way, to Kazbegi we have a stop at Vedza Sour waters to admire the picturesque scenes. Tour continues to Stepantsminda – an amazing settlement on the slopes of majestic Mount Kazbek. Here we climb up the hill to the Trinity Church located at an altitude of 2170 m. The church was built in the XIV century and is the only cross-domed church in the historic Georgian province Khevi. Evening back to Tbilisi for rest and overnight.

Overnight: Hotel in Tbilisi

Meals: Breakfast

Day 4

In the morning we drive to Kakheti – the picturesque region, which is famous for the producing of excellent Georgian wines. After exploring Telavi – the centre of the region known for its amazing nature and excellent wine – you will visit Tsinandali estate the patrimony of a famous Georgian family – Chavchavadze. The estate is known for its amazing green labyrinth planted and cellars where the unique collection of Georgian and European wine is preserved. Then after an exploration of Batoni's Tsikhe Fortress, you will have an



acquaintance with local wines in Khareba winery. The tour will end with the wine degustation and master class on the preparation of Georgian national bread shoti.

Overnight: *Hotel in Tbilisi*

Meals: *Breakfast*

Day 5

This day you have a transfer to Georgian-Armenian boarder. After passing the customs we head to Tavush region and visit Goshavank and Haghartsin monasteries. We stop in the resort town of Dilijan, which is known for its lush scenery and healthful, full of pine aroma air. Dilijan is unequalled forestry and wonderful highland along with harmonious co-existence of cultural and historical heritage that makes it an important place for the unforgettable experience. The next treasure is the azure Lake Sevan, located at an altitude of 1900 m above sea level. The tranquil majesty of its ever-changing waters, stunning mountains silhouetted against the blue sky, all this inspired its name “the pearl” of Armenia. Here we enjoy the breathtaking views with pure mountain air comparable to the sea breeze and continue our way to Yerevan.

Overnight: *Hotel in Yerevan*

Meals: *Breakfast*

Day 6

On your second day, you will have a city tour around Yerevan, the ancient capital of Armenia, which was founded in 782 B.C. Our program includes Cascade – one of the most famous places in Yerevan. Cascade is a huge ladder, climbing the top of which we can see the observation area with the breathtaking views of Mount Ararat. Then, the trip leads us to the Republic Square – the “heart” of Yerevan. The square was designed by the chief architect of Armenia, Alexander Tamanyan. The Republic Square is unique in its type, endowed by singing and dancing fountains. We continue to the building of the Opera and Ballet Theatre walking through the Northern Avenue, which is the most modern and luxurious avenue of the capital. The program also includes the visit to Matenadaran – the depository of ancient manuscripts, which houses over 17,000 ancient and medieval manuscripts. A short drive takes us to Echmiadzin – the religious centre of all Armenians. Here is located the residence of the Catholicos of the Armenian Apostolic Church. We explore Echmiadzin Cathedral, which was built in 301-302 and became the first official Christian church in the world. Echmiadzin now is included in the UNESCO World Heritage list. On the territory of the cathedral, we can see examples of unique Armenian khachkars. On our way to Yerevan, we discover the ruins of Zvartnots Temple, which was the architectural masterpiece of VII century. After returning to Yerevan, we have a chance to visit the Genocide Memorial.

Overnight: *Hotel in Yerevan*

Meals: *Breakfast*

Day 7

The day will start with a trip to Ararat Province where proudly stands one of the holiest sites in Armenia – Khor Virap Monastery. You will hike up a small hill to discover the monastery and enjoy the breathtaking view on Biblical Mount Ararat. The tour will continue through a narrow canyon to the valley of red rocks, right where Noravank Monastery is located – built in the 13th century it is a masterpiece of Armenian architect Momik. On the territory of the monastery, amazing khachkars are scattered all around – cross tones designed by Momik.

Overnight: *Hotel in Yerevan*

Meals: *Breakfast*



Day 8

The final day is dedicated to exploring the unique architectural creation of the XIII century – the rocky monastery of Geghard, listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site. Located near each other Geghard Monastery and Garni temple can confidently be proclaimed as the 2 most visited places in Armenia. Situated in the village of Garni, Garni temple is the only surviving example of the Hellenistic architecture of the Caucasus. Built-in 77 AD, Garni is dedicated to the God of the Sun Mihr. In its territory we can explore ancient baths - houses, the old fortress walls, the ruins of the VII century church and enjoy the incredible view of the Azat Gorge. After return to Yerevan, you will have an excursion in the History Museum of Armenia – the main historical museum of the country known for its Archaeological, Numismatic, and Ethnographic collections.

Overnight: *Hotel in Yerevan*

Meals: *Breakfast*

Day 9

Transfer to the airport, departure.



Booking conditions

The contract between you and MyGeo is considered confirmed once we received your application, discuss all the details and receive your deposit of € 50 (per person). Immediately after that, you will receive a tour voucher confirming all the details.

Payment terms

As noted above, first you need to make a non-refundable deposit of € 50. That will provide our managers with the opportunity to start the tour organization. The final payment can be made after your arrival in Georgia in cash or by credit card.

Cancellation of the tour by the clients

If you or one of the group members has to cancel the tour for any reason, please let us know in written form. Please, keep in mind that in this case, the deposit of 50 euros cannot be refunded.

Cancellation of the tour by the company itself

Our organizers start to plan the tour many months before its beginning, and from our side the tour cannot be changed or canceled. However, due to the unforeseen circumstances such as weather conditions, we can make some adjustments to the route. But everything else will remain unchanged.

Please, note that the minimum number of participants in our tours is 2 people. If the tour does not have the minimum number of people, we will have to cancel the tour. In this case, we will notify you of the cancellation no later than 30 days before your tour beginning, and will refund the full amount, including the prepayment.

Rights and obligations

In case of unavoidable force majeure circumstances, both parties are released from the obligations and responsibilities. If during the tour you have any complaints and dissatisfaction, please immediately inform us about that. We will do our best to solve the problem. If you do not inform us about that, then at the end of the tour, we will not provide the compensation. We also are not responsible for anything that does a tourist in his/her free time outside of the tour program.

