



STEP in
GEORGIA



TRAVEL ITINERARY

DURATION: 12 DAYS / 11 NIGHTS

CULINARY & WINE TOUR

Few of the earth's small nations offer the visitor as much as Georgia. This wonderful cradle of culture, religion, and ancient history, Georgia is a country where everyone can find something appealing. Your tour of

Georgia, a land of endless wonders, will create wonderful memories, which will be with you forever.

Rich in both history and flavor, Georgian cuisine is one of the most exotic in the world and the food is mostly homegrown and organic, cultivated by small-scale farmers and delivered daily to the bustling markets and souks around the country. Guided tours will take you on a tasting adventure, discovering unique restaurants, food shops and eateries while sampling delicious foods and beverages along the way. So it's time to go behind the scenes and mingle with culinary chefs and restaurant owners, they will give a hands-on demonstration on how to make traditional dishes such as Khinakli, khachapuri and other plates.



DAY 1

Arrival at Tbilisi international airport- transfer to your hotel. Overnight stay



DAY 2 TBILISI (B, D)

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Today you'll enjoy a sightseeing tour of old Tbilisi, a charming town built along the twisting valley of the Mtkvari River. Your journey of discovering will take in the Sioni Cathedral and the 6th century Anchiskhati Basilica, the oldest church in the city, before continuing on to see the city's history museum and the imposing 4th century ruins of the Narikala Fortress, which once dominated the city from its hilltop setting. You will visit to Tbilisi Sulphur bathes as well, (17th and 19th centuries) – The history of the Sulphur baths in Tbilisi is related to the formation of the city itself.
- Dinner at the restaurant “Tsiskvili”, with the Georgian traditional folk music.
- Overnight in the hotel.



DAY 3

TBILISI – MTSKHETA – KAZBEGI (B,L)

- Early breakfast at the hotel. Meeting with you tour guide and leave for Mtskheta – the ancient capital of Georgia. This newly reconstructed city museum offers a lot for its visitors. The main place to go first is Svetitskhoveli cathedral (11th century).
- A stunning drive from Mtskheta along the Military highway will bring you to Kazbegi. On the way you pass Ananuri Castle and Jinaly water reservoir of amazing beauty.
- Lunch at Pasanauri, you will have ample time to learn and cook your own meal- Khinkali. After preparation, you will enjoy the dinner.
- Visiting Gergeti trinity Church
- Overnight at Rooms hotel Kazbegi



DAY 4

KAZBEGI – LOPOTA LAKE AND SPA RESORT (B)

- After breakfast drive on to direction of Kakheti
- Check in Lopota Lake and Spa Resort / Free time / Dinner and Overnight



DAY 5

LOPOTA- SIGHNAGHI- TBILISI (B,L)

- Breakfast at Lopota lake and Spa Resort
- Visiting a wine cellar, afterwards drive to Signaghi, you'll take a walk in the fortified town. You enjoy our lunch at a farmer's house with home-made dishes. Master class of making Georgian sweet 'Churchkhela' (walnuts coated in grape juice and flour).
- Back to Tbilisi / Overnight



DAY 6

MARTVILI CANYONS - ZUGDIDI (B,D)

- Breakfast at the hotel and drive on to the town of Samegrelo
- Visiting Martvili Canyons
- Afterwards drive to Zugdidi / Dinner at the traditional restaurant “Diaroni” / Overnight at the guest house.



DAY 7

ZUGDIDI - MESTIA

- After Breakfast drive to Svaneti - Svaneti is Georgia's most mysterious mountain region is like a fairy tale come to life. The fabled region is renowned for its enchanting stone villages, punctuated by the famous defensive towers, and populated by a fiercely independent race, known as the Svans.
- Master classes of making Svanetian traditional food called “Kubdari” / Overnight at the hotel Svaneti



DAY 8

MESTIA / USHGULI / MESTIA (B,D)

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Visiting the Ethnography museum of Svaneti
- Late afternoon you'll reach Ushguli, the highest permanently inhabited village in Europe (2200m) and a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- Back to Mestia. Dinner and Overnight



DAY 9

MESTIA / BATUMI (B,L)

- After breakfast drive to the direction of Batumi.
- Check in the hotel.
- This comprehensive walking city tour will show you some of the most important sights of the old part of Batumi, known for its historic buildings. The highly qualified guide will take you through the charming streets of Old city and give you a unique insight into the history of amazing buildings and the breathtaking monuments you see.
- Lunch and cooking master class of making Adjara Khachapuri- at the local restaurant
- Batumi walking tour includes visits to: Batumi Boulevard and Musical Fountains, St. Barbara's Church, St. Nikoloz church, Statue of Medea, Piazza, Batumi Sea Port, Alphabetic Tower, Moving sculpture of Ali and Nino / Overnight

DAY 10

BATUMI- KUTAISI (B)

- Early breakfast at the hotel and drive to Kutaisi
- The city of Kutaisi dates back to the Argonauts' time (13th -12th centuries B.C). Formerly capital of old Colchida, Kutaisi then ruled all of Western Georgia.
- Visiting Bagrati cathedral - listed as World Cultural Heritage Sites by UNESCO and Motsameta.
- Street market walk at Kutaisi Bazaar –You will taste the real flavors —the fruits and vegetables at the farmers market are the freshest and tastiest available. Fruits are allowed to ripen fully in the field and are brought directly to you—no long-distance shipping, no gassing to simulate the ripening process, no sitting for weeks in storage.
- Visiting the cave of Prometheus / Overnight at the hotel Tskaltubo Plaza



DAY 11

KUTAISI - KATSKHI PILLAR - TBILISI (B,L)

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- Culinary master classes and lunch at the village Vartsikhe / at farmer's house.
- Afterwards drive back to Tbilisi / On your way to Tbilisi, visiting the Katskhi Pillar- one of the most wonderful places in the beautiful region of Imereti. Katskhi pillar is a vertically erected rocky mass that has arisen as a result of tectonic shifts.
- Back to Tbilisi / Check in the hotel



DAY 12

TBILISI (B,L)

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Walking tour to Dry Bridge Market, best place for unique souvenir shopping in Tbilisi. This extraordinary flea market will keep you entertained for hours. There you can find original eastern European, Soviet, Georgian and even Armenian or Azerbaijani souvenirs. There are many oil paintings and watercolors, usually full of amazing, bright colors and cheerful spirit.
- Lunch at the restaurant "Barbarestan"
- Late evening transfer to the airport.



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