



Armenia - Georgia GUARANTEED DEPARTURE / 10 days 9 nights / 2024

# Day 1: Arrival Arrival Transfer to the hotel Overnight

# Day 2: Yerevan / city tour / - Ejmiatsin - Zvartnoc - Yerevan

Breakfast

Matenadaran museum

Yerevan City Tour

Erebuni museum

Ejmiatsin Cathedral - Zvartnots Cathedral

Overnight in Yerevan

## Day 3: Yerevan - Khor Virap - Noravank - Areni - Yerevan

Breakfast

Khor Virap

Noravank

Areni

Overnight in Yerevan

## Day 4: Yerevan - Garni - Geghard - Sevan- Dilijan

Breakfast

Garni Temple

**Geghard Monastery** 

Sevan

Dilijan

Overnight in Dilijan

## Day 5: Dilijan - Sanahin - Haghpat - Sadakhlo - Tbilisi

Breakfast

Sanahin Monastery

**Haghpat Monastery** 

Tbilisi-Sadakhlo Border

## Day 6: Tbilisi - City tour

Breakfast

Tbilisi city tour

Overnight in Tbilisi

## Day 7: Tbilisi - Mtskheta - Anauri - Gudauri

Breakfast

Mtskheta

Ananuri Fortified Church

Gudauri

Overnight in Gudauri

# Day 8: Gudauri - Kazbegi - Tbilisi

Breakfast

Gudauri - Kazbegi

Kazbegi

Overnight in Tbilisi

# Day 9: Tbilisi - Alaverdi - Gremi - Gurjani - Tbilisi

Breakfast

Kakheti

Alaverdi Cathedral

Church of Kvelatsminda

Overnight in Tbilisi

# Day 10: Departure

Breakfast

Transfer to the airport

Departure

## Day 1: Arrival



#### **Arrival**

Arrival at Zvartnots International Airport.







Transfer to the hotel



#### **Overnight**

Overnight at the hotel.

# Day 2: Yerevan / city tour / - Ejmiatsin - Zvartnoc - Yerevan



#### **Breakfast**

Breakfast at the hotel.



#### Matenadaran museum

Then we will visit the Manuscript Museum of Armenia, which is called Matenadaran; here all ancient Armenian Manuscripts are kept.











#### **Yerevan City Tour**

We will start the tour with the capital of Armenia: Yerevan. For ages this city has been known as a "pink city" because of the color of the stone it has been built with. Experience the enchanting charm of Yerevan as the sun sets with our City Tour. Discover the Armenian capital's vibrant nightlife, illuminated landmarks, and bustling streets, all while a knowledgeable guide shares fascinating insight into the city's history and culture. From the iconic Republic Square to the Cascade complex and lively cafes, this tour offers a captivating glimpse of Yerevan's after-dark allure. Enjoy the perfect blend of history, architecture, and contemporary urban life in this dynamic and welcoming city.





#### Erebuni museum

Then we should visit Erebuni museum, where you will get acquainted with the most prominent events of Armenian history.





#### **Ejmiatsin Cathedral - Zvartnots Cathedral**

We will continue the excursion to centuries-old monuments Ejmiatsin and Zvartnots. These sites are listed on UNESCO World Heritage list. The Cathedral of Ejmiatsin, founded in 303, is the official residence of the Catholics of Armenia. Echmiadzin is a sacred place for Armenian people and a spiritual heart of Armenian Apostolic Church. We'll continue the trip to Zvartnots Temple, which was built on 7th century by Nerses Builder. Currently there are only ruins of Zvartnots, but which has not lost its mystery over the years.









Overnight in Yerevan

# Day 3: Yerevan - Khor Virap - Noravank - Areni - Yerevan



#### **Breakfast**

Breakfast at the hotel.



## **Khor Virap**

Take trip to Khor Virap Monastery (4-18th cc.). This monastery is very prominent because of its history; Gregory the Illuminator, who introduced Christianity to Armenia, has been imprisoned there about 13 years as at that time there was a prison in the place of the monastery. Here we can enjoy the spectacular view of the sacred Ararat Mountain - an immortal symbol of Armenia.









#### **Noravank**

We will continue our tour to Noravank - a monastery of XII century situated among amazing sheer rocks on the bench of a twisty gorge. This is the only monastery where we may find a unique sculpture of Father God.









#### **Areni**

On our way back we will visit village Areni which is considered to be an important center of wine production industry. You are welcome to taste its excellent wine.











Overnight in Yerevan

## Day 4: Yerevan - Garni - Geghard - Sevan- Dilijan



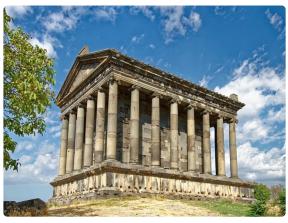
#### **Breakfast**

Breakfast at the hotel.



#### **Garni Temple**

Take trip to Garni. This Pagan Temple was built in the 1st century AD. It is the only temple that has been preserves from the Pagan times in Armenia. It was devoted to the god Mihr, who was the god of cleanness. In 1679 it was destroyed by earthquake. In the 1975 the Temple was restored.









#### **Geghard Monastery**

Then we will continue our trip to Geghard Monastery. Its name came from the legendary lance that was used to pierce the body of Christ. It has been kept here for centuries. Though the exact foundation of the monastery is unknown, the present complex was built in the mid – 13th century.











#### Sevan

We will drive to Lake Sevan which is one of the largest lakes in the world. It stands out with its sweet and astonishingly blue water. Here we can enjoy the breathtaking scenery of the beautiful lake. Then we will visit Sevanavank Monastery which is situated on Sevan Peninsula. There are 2 monasteries actually; one of them is destroyed but the other stands still. They have been built in the Middle Ages, around 10th century.











#### Dilijan

Then we will drive to Dilijan. Walking along the Sharamberyan Street we will come across with many museums, souvenirs' markets, small shops and so on. We will also observe two traditional houses built of wood, with tiled roofs and balconies with meticulously carved being typical examples of Dilijan.











Overnight in Dilijan

# Day 5: Dilijan - Sanahin - Haghpat - Sadakhlo - Tbilisi



#### **Breakfast**

Breakfast at the hotel.



#### **Sanahin Monastery**

Visit Sanahin Monastery, which is an ancient Armenian monastery complex located in the Lori Province of Armenia. Founded in the 10th century, it is a UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its well-preserved medieval architecture, intricate khachkars (cross-stones), and a rich history of scholarly and cultural contributions.

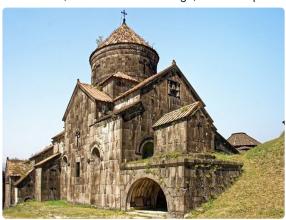






#### **Haghpat Monastery**

Continue to Haghpat Monastery, situated in the Lori Province of Armenia, is a medieval religious complex dating back to the 10th century. Recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the monastery features impressive ecclesiastical architecture, intricate stone carvings, and a unique fusion of Armenian religious art.







#### Tbilisi-Sadakhlo Border

Drive to Sadakhlo Border between Georgia and Armenia. Meeting on the border. Change of guide and vehicle, Continue the trip in Armenia.

# Day 6: Tbilisi – City tour



#### **Breakfast**

Breakfast at the hotel.



## Tbilisi city tour

Today we will have excursion in the capital. Here you may encounter with many religious and cultural buildings: churches, synagogues, mosques which comprise the whole color of 19th century. Visit sulfur bath. Later visit the stunning treasury History Museum and the National Art Museum of Georgia (depends which will be open). After all we will have a walking along Rustaveli Avenue - the main street in Tbilisi.





## Overnight in Tbilisi

# Day 7: Tbilisi - Mtskheta - Anauri - Gudauri



#### **Breakfast**

Breakfast at the hotel.



#### Mtskheta

After breakfast, visit Mtskheta, the ancient religious capital, near Tbilisi, where in the 4th century Saint Nino converted to Christianity in the kingdom of Ivory Coast. This city, where some of the oldest and most important churches in the country, is the spiritual heart of Georgia. Visit the Church of Jvari (6th century) and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral (11th century). Jvari and Svetitskhoveli are World Heritage Sites of UNESCO.









**Ananuri Fortified Church** Visit Ananuri Fortified Church





#### Gudauri

Drive to Gudauri, one of the resort cities of Georgia.







Overnight in Gudauri

# Day 8: Gudauri - Kazbegi - Tbilisi



#### **Breakfast**

Breakfast at the hotel.



#### Gudauri - Kazbegi

Continue to the Georgian Military Highway all the way to Kazbegi.









## Kazbegi

In the morning we will start a spectacular road route north along the river Tergi, up to Kazbegi, the main city of the region. Stop at a farm to see how families produce a delicious artisan cheese, before beginning our walking route through spectacular valleys and forests to reach the Trinity Church Gergeti.









Overnight in Tbilisi

# Day 9: Tbilisi - Alaverdi - Gremi - Gurjani - Tbilisi



#### **Breakfast**

Breakfast at the hotel.



#### Kakheti

We will travel to the eastern part of Georgia - Kakheti region, exclusively known for its vineyards and wineries.









#### **Alaverdi Cathedral**

First visit will be to Alaverdi Cathedral (X c.) and below the complex Guilds (XVI c.).





#### **Church of Kvelatsminda**

Later visit to the Church of Kvelatsminda around the town.





**Overnight in Tbilisi** 

# Day 10: Departure



#### **Breakfast**

Breakfast at the hotel.



#### Transfer to the airport

Say goodbye to Armenia!



## **Departure**

Departure from Tbilisi International Airport

# **Information & Documents**



#### **Price Includes**

- Hotel accommodation in Yerevan and Regions 9 nights
- Transportation according to programs with high class mini vans /minibuses /busses
- Professional English speaking guide
- BB /as indicated in the program/
- Entrance fees
- Wine degustation in Areni
- A bottle of water P/P per day



#### **Price Excludes**

- · Flight tickets
- Alcoholic beverages
- · Extra personal fees
- Meals



#### Price

Starting from 1175 EUR Per Person