Kazbegi Trek

Day 1 - 26th May: Departure for Tbilisi

Day 2 - 27th May: Tbilisi city tour

We arrive very early in the morning. I will arrange for rooms to be available so we can have a few hours rest before we embark on the itinerary.

Take a walking tour of Old Tbilisi.

Tbilisi is a blend of Asian eeriness and European charm. Located in the gorge of Mtkvari River it's shaped out in accordance with the terrain and forms a very beautiful city with Mt. Mtatsminda embracing the entire town, Narikala Fortress topping up the oldest quarter of Tbilisi – Kala and Metekhi Church overlooking Mtkvari River from a rocky plateau.

In this classic tour of Tbilisi you'll see the highlights of the Old Town with beautiful Orthodox Christian Churches, Mosque, Synagogue, famous and refreshing Sulphur Baths, narrow cobbled streets with hanging wooden carved multi-colored balconies and the 19th century houses following the architectural styles of 19th century Europe, Narikala Fortress (reached by cable car), the glass Bridge of Peace, Freedom Square and Rustaveli Avenue.

Overnight at a hotel in Tbilisi.

(B/L/-)

Day 3 - 28th May: Tbilisi -Ananuri - Gergeti church - Kazbegi

We drive along the Georgian Military Highway and have a short stop at picturesque Ananuri Fort with 2 beautiful churches and Jinvali water reservoir in the background.

Transfer to Kazbegi over Cross Pass. Hopefully, we'll catch a glimpse of the mighty and most beautiful summit of the Great Caucasus Mt. Kazbegi (5047m). Lunch at a local lady's family where we enjoy master class in traditional dish – Khinkali (dumplings) making process.

Walk to Gergeti church, Return to Kazbegi.

Dinner and overnight at a family hotel in Kazbegi.

(B/L/D)

Day 4 - 29th May: Kazbegi - Truso gorge - Kazbegi

Walk along the Truso Gorge is another experience in Georgia. Here, through Kasari Canyon we reach the valley full of mineral springs. Reach Zakagori Fortress and return back to our transportation.

Upon arrival in Kazbegi we visit local art house and visit a local "Teka" (felt) master demonstrating how Georgians make felt and artifacts out of it.

Dinner and overnight at a family hotel in Kazbegi.

(B/PL/D)

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Day 5 - 30th May: Kazbegi - Chaukhebi Mount - Juta

Enjoy an adventurous day by 4WD. First, we visit the remote village Juta, cut off from the rest of the country for 6 months by snow. Take a walk towards breathtaking Mt. Chaukhebi. The gorge runs through all the way to the moraine. Here we finish our walk and overnight in Juta. (B/PL/D) $\uparrow 150 \downarrow 890 \text{m}$; 5-5.5 hrs

Day 6 - 31st May: Juta - Mukhadze peak - Gudauri

Today we climb to the nearest mount – Mukhadze peak (3280 m). From the peak we enjoy amazing views of Chaukhebi gorge. Return back and drive to Gudauri ski resort. Dinner and overnight at a hotel in Gudauri. (B/PL/D) ↑↓1100m; 7.5-8 hrs

Day 7 - 1st June: Gudauri - Khada Gorge - Mtskheta - Tbilisi

From Gudauri we start our trek towards hidden Khada gorge. The gorge is very beautiful especially because of lots of Rhododendrons flowering in the Spring. It was ethnographic part of Mtiuleti Region, defending the road between Northern and Southern Caucasus with 60 towers. Now there are still some old towers, beautiful waterfalls and tasty mineral water springs. Meet our transportation at Qvesheti village and drive to Tbilisi via ancient capital – Mtskheta.

Visit two UNESCO World Heritage sites: Svetitskhoveli Cathedral (11th C) and Jvari monastery, located on a hilltop (6th-7th C). Overnight at a hotel in Tbilisi ↑150↓890m; 5-5.5 hrs. (B/PL/-)

Day 8 - 2nd June: Departure

Transfer to the airport and departure.

(B/-/-)

PRICE PER PERSON based on 3* hotel "Gallery Inn" or similar in Tbilisi, family hotel in Kazbegi, guesthouse in Juta and 3* hotel "Gudauri Inn" in Gudauri:

8 PAX £650 10 PAX £600

12 PAX: £600 (small bus)

14 PAX: £580

SGL supplement: £140 (no SGL option in Juta)

Inclusions

- Accommodation at double/twin room
- English speaking guide
- Ac transportation
- meals
- Entrance fees
- 4 WD where needed
- 1 bottled water per person per day

Exclusions

- Flights
- Insurance
- Beverages
- Tips
- Any other services not listed above
- Meals not mentioned above