

## Best of Georgia - 10 days

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Over ten days, you'll travel to many of Georgia's most fascinating and beautiful places, getting an insight into the country's diverse landscapes. The country's 8000 year old wine-growing heritage takes us to the wine growing region of Kakheti, while we will also explore Stalin's birthplace Gori, the charms of its capital Tbilisi, the cave cities of Vardzia and Uplistikhe and countless monasteries, cathedrals and fortresses, many of them UNESCO-listed.

**DEPARTURE DATES:** 24.05.2025; 31.05.2025; 07.06.2025; 14.06.2025; 21.06.2025; 28.06.2025; 05.07.2025; 12.07.2025; 19.07.2025; 26.07.2025; 02.08.2025; 09.08.2025; 16.08.2025; 23.08.2025; 30.08.2025; 06.09.2025; 13.09.2025; 20.09.2025; 27.09.2025; 04.10.2025; 11.10.2025; 18.10.2025; 25.10.2025; 01.11.2025; 08.11.2025; 15.11.2025; 22.11.2025; 29.11.2025; 06.12.2025; 13.12.2025; 20.12.2025.

## ITINERARY

**Day 1 - Tbilisi**

Arrival in Tbilisi and check in to the hotel. (D)

**Day 2 - Tbilisi**

This morning it's time to get to know Tbilisi. Ascending by cable car, we'll get our bearings from the 4th century Narikala Fortress which looks down on the city below. Don't miss a selfie with the huge statue known as Mother Georgia. The Georgian capital has a compact and very walkable old town and there are plenty of historic churches to discover. You'll see the 13th century Methekhi Church, the 6th century Antchiskhati Church, the 12th century Sioni Cathedral and an also ancient synagogue. Also on today's programme are visits to the Georgian National Museum and a walk along Tbilisi's most important street, Rustaveli Avenue. Dinner and overnight in Tbilisi. (B, D)

**Day 3 - Tbilisi - Mtskheta - Kutaisi**

It's a short drive to Mtskheta, once the capital of Georgia and the centre for all things religious. You'll visit not one but two UNESCO World Heritage sites: the 6th century Djvari Church and the 11th century Svetitskhoveli Cathedral. From there, we hit the road for Kutaisi, the second largest city in the country. Nearby, Prometheus Cave contains a breathtaking collection of stalactites and stalagmites. Dinner and overnight in Kutaisi. (B, D)

**Day 4 - Kutaisi - Gelati - Bagrati - Akhaltsikhe**

Farmers have been bringing their produce to market for centuries and this tradition with all its sights, sounds and smells is a must for any visitor. Next on the itinerary is a visit to another UNESCO locale, the 12th century Gelati monastery complex, founded in 1106 by King David IV of Georgia. Attracting many pilgrims and tourists, the Bagrati Cathedral forms part of the same heritage complex. You'll also visit the 12th century Academy Complex before transferring to Akhaltsikhe, for dinner and overnight accommodation. (B, D)

**Day 5 - Akhaltsikhe - Vardzia - Rabati Fortress - Akhaltsikhe**

One of the most spectacular drives in Georgia is that which links Akhaltsikhe to the cave complex of Vardzia. The road winds its way through the dramatic canyon of the upper Mtkvari River, flanked by rocky cliffs. Vardzia itself is as stunning, with over 300 underground caves hewn from the rock. Wine cellars, churches, refectories - each room had a distinct purpose. Afterwards, we'll head back to Akhaltsikhe, in order to visit the Ethnographic Museum located in Rabati Fortress. Dinner and overnight at Akhaltsikhe. (B, D)

**Day 6 - Akhaltsikhe - Borjomi - Gori - Tbilisi**

En route to Gori, we will make a stop at Borjomi this morning for a stroll through Borjomi Park. In Gori, we'll learn about the Soviet leader Joseph Stalin, who was born here in 1878. The humble wooden hut in which he was born stands alongside Stalin's railway carriage at a cluster of buildings which form a museum dedicated to his life. Leaving Gori, we travel to Uplistikhe, another cave city with bags of character. Afterwards we turn back for Tbilisi, for dinner in a traditional restaurant accompanied by folk dancing and/or singing. Overnight in Tbilisi. (B, D)

**Day 7 - Tbilisi - Gombori - Alaverdi - Napareuli - Alaverdi - Gremi - Signagi**

Today we set out to explore Georgia's ancient wine-growing traditions as we venture into the Kakheti region. Visits to Gremi Fortress and Alaverdi Monastery introduce us to the architectural heritage of the region. A wine tasting has been arranged in the Twins Wine Cellar in Napareuli. Our final destination today is Signagi. This delightful town is almost completely encircled by a defensive wall linking 29 towers. From the fortifications the views across the valley are a sight to behold. You'll be pleased we stop in Signagi for dinner and an overnight stop. (B, D)

**Day 8 - Signagi - Bodbe - Tbilisi**

Close to Signagi is the Bodbe Monastery of St Nino, which occupies a landscaped site a few kilometres from town. It's a delight to stroll around the monastery and explore its gardens with their colourful flowerbeds. Departing Bodbe, we return to Tbilisi where we'll enjoy dinner and an overnight stay. (B, D)

**Day 9 - Tbilisi**

As your time in Georgia comes to an end, it's time to unwind and reflect in the capital Tbilisi. You could do a spot of shopping and find yourself a souvenir to take home with you, or instead you might wish to book a session at one of Tbilisi's thermal baths and relax. (B, D)

**Day 10 - Tbilisi**

We round off your stay in Georgia with a transfer to the airport in good time for you to catch your flight home.(B)

TOUR INCLUSIONS AND OPTIONAL EXTRAS

**Included**

- [International flights](#)
- [Accommodation](#)
- [Guided tours & cultural programme](#)
- [English - speaking guides](#)
- [Half board meals](#)
- [Evening entertainment](#)
- [Ground transportation](#)
- [Airport transfers](#)

**Not included**

- [Personal travel insurance](#)
- [Optional excursions](#)

**Practical information**

- [About Best of Caucasus company](#)
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AVAILABLE PACKAGES

**COMFORT - 3\* PACKAGE**

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24/05/2025 - 02/06/2025	£1745	£2145	£225
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#### PREMIUM - 4\* PACKAGE

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#### ALTERNATIVE TOURS AND TAILOR-MADE ARRANGEMENTS

In addition to organized group tours, we also offer individual trips. This could be an entirely separate holiday arrangement or an extension to a regular "Best of Caucasus" trip. Whether you would like to travel independently, or just with the group of your friends or colleagues, we can help to realise your holiday plans. Depending on your preference for either comfort or budget, we can help you to design the ideal itinerary and provide the optimal value-for-money quote. Please [contact us for a quote](#).

Based on your chosen tour we believe you might be interested in alternative trips listed below:

- > [Discover Armenia, Georgia & Azerbaijan: from the Highlands to the Caspian - 16 days \(CT-02\)](#), Price from £2,995, 16 days
- > [Georgia Wine Tour - 8 days \(GE-04\)](#), Price from £1,495, 8 days
- > [Discover Unknown Georgia - Svaneti - 7 days \(GE-08\)](#), Price from £1,595, 7 days
- > [Short Break in Istanbul with a Visit to Cappadocia - 6 days \(TR-02\)](#), Price from £1,095, 6 days

#### HOW TO BOOK

##### Step 1 - Choose Your Holiday & Departure Dates

It is important that you choose a trip that is well suited to your interests, capabilities and experience. All our staff has first hand experience of a range of Best of Caucasus holidays and will be happy to talk to you about your chosen trip, enabling you to assess its suitability. We also recommend that you read the descriptions of the relevant region, general information about our services, booking conditions, and trip dossiers carefully. Once you know what tour is right for you, as well as your departure dates, you can start your booking.

## **Step 2 - Complete the Booking Form**

**Online:** log on to [www.best-of-caucasus.co.uk](http://www.best-of-caucasus.co.uk) and open the tour you wish to book and click "Book now". To provide you with a more personalised and relevant experience in all your contact with Best of Caucasus, when you book online we ask you to register on our system. Once registered you can retrieve your bookings, update newsletter subscriptions, passenger and emergency contact details, submit special dietary requests, view invoices and receipts, download trip documents.

**Email:** alternatively, you can book your tour per email - [info@best-of-caucasus.co.uk](mailto:info@best-of-caucasus.co.uk), or

**Phone:** call us on **+44 (0)20 30 51 76 40**

When booking by email or over the phone please confirm your personal details (full name and address), chosen tour, departure date, package type (hotel category), and available upgrades.

## **Step 3 - Confirmation of your booking**

On receipt of your booking form, we will make any necessary reservations for you and send you confirmation invoice, including the flight details, and additional information about your destination: advice on visas, vaccinations and what to take. The invoice will also show you the exact due date of the payment.

## **Step 4 - Payment**

Please note, if your departure date is more than 56 days you will need to pay the deposit, which should cover the full cost of the flight (if applicable), plus 10% of the land-only arrangements (minimum BJ100) per person towards your tour. The outstanding payment must be made 56 days prior to departure. If you book less than 56 days before departure, full payment must be made at the time of your booking. You can make your payment by bank transfer, debit or credit card, cheque, bankers draft or postal order. You will find all relevant payment details in your invoice.

On request we can organise an additional programme for you, please inquire about the price and availability of the optional excursions.

Please find below some space to write down your queries or comments regarding this trip.

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