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6 NIGHTS | 7 DAYS

GEORGIA *Itinerary*

TBILISI, BAKURIANI, GUDAURI



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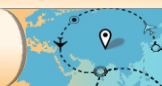
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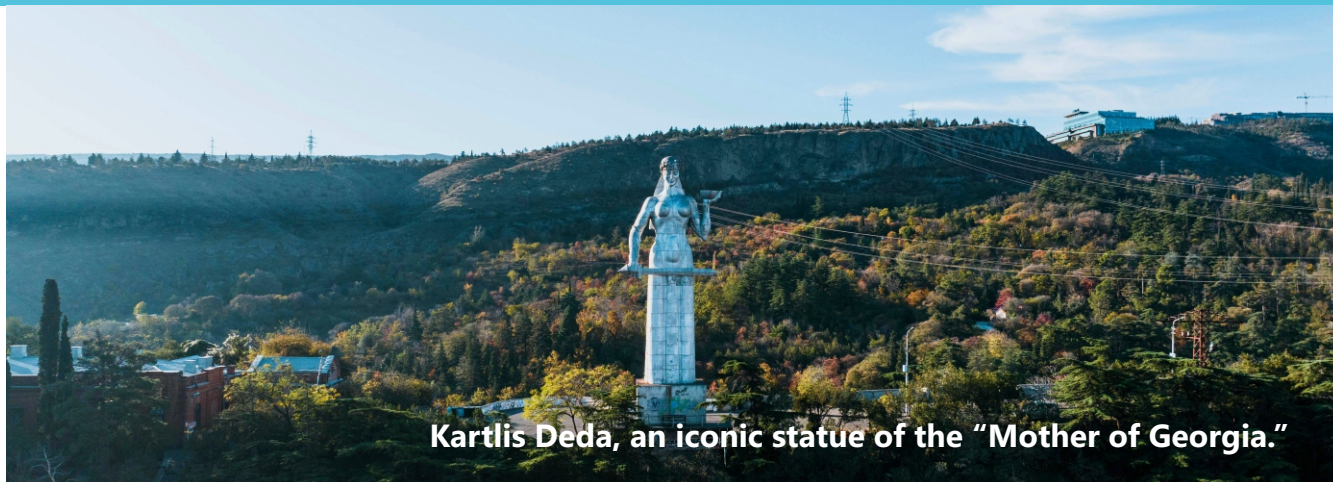


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Kartlis Deda, an iconic statue of the “Mother of Georgia.”

Georgia, nestled at the crossroads of Europe and Asia, is a land of captivating beauty and rich cultural heritage. From its rugged Caucasus Mountains to the fertile valleys of the lowlands, Georgia offers diverse landscapes that have enchanted travellers for centuries. Its vibrant cities, such as the capital Tbilisi, blend ancient architecture with modern vitality, while its historic sites, including UNESCO World Heritage sites and ancient cave cities, speak to its storied past. With warm hospitality, flavourful cuisine, and a deep-rooted tradition of winemaking, Georgia welcomes visitors to explore its treasures and create unforgettable memories.



ITINERARY

Day 1: Arrival in Tbilisi

Meals: L,D.

Upon your arrival at Tbilisi airport, you'll be warmly greeted by our representative and guide. They will assist with your transfer to the hotel for check-in. After settling in, enjoy a delicious lunch featuring traditional Georgian cuisine.

After refreshing at your hotel, you'll embark on a journey to **Kakheti**, renowned for its exquisite wines. This region, situated in the eastern part of Georgia, is bordered by the majestic mountains of Tusheti and the Greater Caucasus range to the north, Azerbaijan to the east and south, and the Georgian province of Kartli to the west. Your first stop will be at KTW Wine Factory, where a guided tour awaits

you. Inside the factory, you'll have the opportunity to witness the **wine-making process** firsthand and indulge in a delightful wine tasting experience.

Next, you'll drive to Bodbe, a place of great spiritual significance. This is where the **Bodbe Monastery** stands, commemorating the entrance of St. Nino from Cappadocia on 1st June. St. Nino, venerated as one of the most revered saints of the Georgian Orthodox Church, is believed to have brought Christianity to Georgia. Her tomb, located within the monastery, remains a sacred site for pilgrims and visitors alike.

Continuing your journey, you'll arrive at **Sighnaghi**, a charming town known for its picturesque landscapes, historical monuments, and vibrant culture. With a population of just over 2,000, Sighnaghi boasts a thriving economy centred around wine production and traditional carpet weaving. Tonight, you'll have the unique opportunity to **dine with a local family**, savouring delicious homemade dishes and partaking in a delightful **wine tasting session** in their cozy wine cellar. Additionally, you'll have the chance to learn the art of **bread baking** in a traditional Tone oven, adding a hands-on element to your culinary experience.

As the evening draws to a close, you'll make your way back to your hotel in Tbilisi, where you'll spend the night, reminiscing about the memorable experiences of the day.



Bodbe Monastery



Narikala Fortress

Day 2: Tbilisi City Tour

Meals: B,L,D.

After enjoying breakfast, you'll gather at the hotel lobby to kick off your exploration of **Tbilisi**, the dynamic capital and largest city of Georgia. Spanning an area of 726 square kilometers along the banks of the **Mtkvari River**, Tbilisi boasts a rich history dating back to the 5th century AD when it was founded by Vakhtang Gorgasali, the Georgian King of Kartli (Iberia). Over the centuries, Tbilisi has evolved into a significant industrial, social, and cultural hub, with a population of 1,480,000 people

according to the 2006 census.

Your journey begins with a visit to the historic **Metekhi Church** and the imposing monument dedicated to Vakhtang Gorgasali, the legendary founder of Tbilisi. From there, you'll ascend to **Narikala Fortress**, perched atop a hill, offering breath-taking panoramic views of the cityscape below. Continuing your exploration, you'll wander through Tbilisi's unique **Sulphur bathhouse** district, known for its therapeutic waters and distinct architecture.

As you meander through the charming streets of the **Sharden** area, lined with quaint cafes, wine bars, and souvenir shops, immerse yourself in the rich history of Old Tbilisi. Following your leisurely stroll, pause for a delicious lunch at a local eatery, sampling the flavours of traditional Georgian cuisine.



Sulphur bathhouse



Your cultural odyssey continues with a visit to the iconic **Rezo Gabriadze Theatre**, home to a whimsical clock tower that comes to life with charming puppet performances. Crossing the modern **Bridge of Peace**, you'll arrive at **Rike Park**, a serene oasis in the heart of the city, where you can take a moment to relax and unwind.

Afterwards, retreat to your hotel for some well-deserved rest before venturing out for an unforgettable dining experience. Indulge in a feast of traditional Georgian delicacies at a local restaurant, accompanied by a captivating Traditional Georgian dancing show, and toast to the memories made during your exploration of Tbilisi. As the evening draws to a close, retire to your hotel in Tbilisi, eagerly anticipating the adventures that await you in the days ahead.

Day 3: Tbilisi, Gori and Uplistsikhe Excursion, Journey to Bakurian Meals: B,L,D.

After breakfast, you'll meet your guide at the hotel lobby to begin your journey towards **Gori**, a historic city with a population of 60,000, founded by one of Georgia's greatest kings, David the Builder (1089–1125). Situated at the confluence of the **Liakhvi and Mtkvari Rivers**, Gori suffered extensive damage during the 1920 earthquake.



Gori's historical significance is intertwined with its most famous native, Joseph Stalin, who rose to become the leader of the Soviet Union.

Uplistsikhe, an ancient rock-hewn town carved into a rocky plateau, bears witness to Georgia's rich history dating back centuries. Founded in the prehistoric era, Uplistsikhe served as a significant cultural and religious centre, boasting vast echoing halls, meandering corridor-streets, and chambers for pagan worship. Its strategic location overlooking the Kura River provided

unparalleled defence against invaders, with powerful fortifications safeguarding its inhabitants. Despite numerous attempts to destroy it, Uplistsikhe stood resilient until the 13th century when it fell to the hordes of Genghis Khan's son, Khulagu. The tragic demise of Uplistsikhe marked the end of an era, with its once-thriving community succumbing to the ravages of war and time.

Continuing our journey, we'll head to **Bakuriani**, where you'll enjoy dinner and spend the night, in your hotel surrounded by the echoes of ancient history and the promise of new adventures ahead.

Day 4: Rabati Castle and Borjomi Park Exploration

Meals: B,L,D.

Start your day with a hearty breakfast before embarking on a cultural excursion to **Rabati Castle**, located in the town of **Akhaltzikhe**. Originally built in the 9th century, Rabati Castle in Arabic means "fortified place", has undergone extensive renovations over the centuries and today stands



Rabati Castle



Zhinvali Reservoir.

on the small hill on the very shores of the **Potskhovi River** as a testament to Georgia's diverse architectural heritage. Explore the castle's medieval walls, towers, mosques, and churches, each representing different periods of Georgian history and culture.

From Rabati Castle, journey to **Borjomi Park**, a picturesque hydrothermal health spa resort in the southern region of Samskhe-Javakheti in Georgia. Its natural reserve is renowned for its mineral springs and lush landscapes. It is a valley of 10,500 residents within the Agura River gorge at an altitude of 800 m. Take a leisurely stroll through the park's verdant trails, breathing in the fresh mountain air and enjoying the tranquil surroundings. Don't miss the opportunity to sample Borjomi's famous mineral water, believed to have healing properties.

After lunch, take a ride on the Borjomi Cable Way for panoramic views of the surrounding mountains and valleys. Return to Bakuriani in the afternoon for dinner and overnight accommodation in your hotel in Bakuriani.



Day 5: Ananuri Fortress and Gudauri Monument of Friendship Meals: B,L,D.

After breakfast, embark on a scenic drive to **Ananuri Fortress**, a medieval architectural complex located on the shores of the **Zhinvali Reservoir**. Dating back to the 17th century, Ananuri Fortress is renowned for its picturesque setting and a well-preserved tower, small domed church, large domed temple and a bell tower. Explore the fortress grounds, admiring its intricate carvings, frescoes, and panoramic views of the surrounding landscapes.

From Ananuri, continue your journey to **Gudauri**, a popular mountain resort town nestled in the majestic **Greater Caucasus Mountains**. Stop to visit the **Monument of Friendship**, also known as the **Treaty of Georgievs Monument**, which commemorates the historic friendship between Georgia and Russia, since the treaty of Georgievs signed in 1783. Marvel at the monument's imposing structure and enjoy breath-taking views of the surrounding mountain scenery.

For lunch, dine at a local restaurant in Gudauri, where you can savour traditional Georgian dishes while soaking in the tranquil mountain atmosphere. After lunch, take some time to explore Gudauri at your leisure, or simply enjoy the stunning natural beauty of the region.

In the evening, return to your hotel in Gudauri for dinner and overnight stay, surrounded by the serene mountain landscapes.



Day 6: Gudauri, Kazbegi, Gergety Trinity Church, Mtskheta Discovery, Return to Tbilisi
Meals: B,L,D.

Departing from Gudauri after an early breakfast, embark on a captivating journey towards **Kazbegi**, a quaint mountain village nestled amidst the breath-taking scenery of the **Caucasus Mountains**.



The first stop is the renowned **Gergeti Trinity Church**, a remarkable 14th-century monument perched on the slopes of **Mt. Mkinvartsveri**. This architectural gem, with its distinctive domed structure and towering bell-tower, offers unparalleled panoramic views of the surrounding landscapes, including the majestic **Mt. Kazbek** and the winding **Tergi River** below.

Continuing your exploration, make your way to **Mtskheta**, one of Georgia's oldest cities and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Steeped in history and religious significance, Mtskheta was once the capital of the

Georgian Kingdom of Iberia, dating back to the 3rd century BC. Here, visit the iconic **Svetitskhoveli Cathedral**, a sacred site revered as **the burial place of Christ's mantle**. With origins dating back to the 4th century, this architectural marvel stands as a testament to Georgia's rich Christian heritage and remains a focal point of pilgrimage and worship to this day.

After immersing yourselves in the cultural and spiritual treasures of Mtskheta, you conclude your journey with a scenic drive back to **Tbilisi**. As evening descends, indulge in a delightful dinner, savouring the flavours of Georgian cuisine, before retiring to your hotel in Tbilisi for a restful overnight stay.

**Day 7: Leisure Day and Departure** **Meals: B,L.**

After a leisurely breakfast at your hotel in Tbilisi, enjoy some free time to explore the city at your own pace. You may wish to revisit some of your favourite landmarks, indulge in last-minute shopping for souvenirs and local crafts, or simply relax and soak in the vibrant atmosphere of the city.

For lunch, savour a delicious meal at a local restaurant, where you can enjoy one final taste of Georgian cuisine before your departure. Indulge in traditional dishes such as khachapuri, khinkali, or grilled meats.

In the afternoon, our team will assist you with your transfer to the airport for your departure flight. Bid farewell to the beautiful country of Georgia, taking with you cherished memories of your unforgettable journey through its rich history, culture, and natural landscapes.

As you board your flight home, reflect on the experiences and adventures you've had during your time in Georgia, and perhaps start planning your next visit to explore even more of this remarkable destination.





TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. The tour will be handled by ground handling agents from the above mentioned countries and we are simply facilitators of these services.
2. We, *Tropicana Vacations* [tour operator] are not responsible for the tour being altered, amended or rescheduled after departure due to reasons arising from unforeseen circumstances, though we will make every effort to ensure that the tour goes according to schedule.
3. The travel date, travel conditions, itinerary etc. are all subjected to Law of the Land. Any change enforced by the local authorities due to law and order situations and/or any natural calamities which may affect the travel should be considered as **Force Majeure** (Act of God) and the customer forfeits the right to any claims whatsoever.
4. *Tropicana Vacations* reserves the right of revising the price due to the air fare escalation and/or currency devaluation before travel and the customer hereby agrees to pay the difference as required.
5. A **non-refundable booking advance** of INR Rs.50,000/- will be collected at the time of booking. This will be adjusted against the total tour cost.
6. The balance amount has to be paid 45 days before departure and travel is subject to full payment before departure.
7. The tour is subject to visa approval and entry to any country is solely at the discretion of immigration officials at border/entry points.
8. Visa issuance (only for nationals that require visa entry) is at the discretion of Ministry/Consulate; even in the case of visa rejection the passenger will have to forfeit INR Rs.50,000/- towards visa fee processing charges and ticket cancellation.
9. Hotel and the rooming as per the availability.
10. The tour will be operated only with the required numbers to avail of group rates.
11. We are not responsible for any situations arising out of injuries or loss of life, loss of baggage or theft.
12. If the passenger cancels:
 - Before 30 days from the date of departure - a cancellation / administrative fee of INR 15,000/- (or the equivalent in other currencies) will be applied, in addition to the entire non-refundable Booking Fee of INR.50,000/- as well as the cost of any non-refundable air, bus, train, ship tickets, ground transport or hotel bookings that were reserved and/or issued in your name before your cancellation. We may refund any remaining balance of the paid cost, if applicable.
 - Less than 30 days before departure - NO refund of full 100% tour cost.



Declaration

"I am fully aware and agree and also ensure my family members and friends on whose behalf I am making this registration, to be aware and agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the countries that we will visit and also understand that any consequence - legal, financial and religious – due to flouting of any norms as stipulated by the guide, tour leader and any other competent persons in the organizations, will solely be on my responsibility. *Tropicana Vacations* and their agents could not directly or indirectly be responsible nor share the financial or legal costs attached to such violations."

I have studied the terms & conditions and fully accept.

NAME OF PASSENGER: _____

SIGNATURE OF PASSENGER: _____

Date: _____ Place: _____

Note: Passport Copy of all the passengers to be attached.

GEORGIA

Tbilisi, Bakuriani, Gudauri



6 nights | 7 days - ALL INCLUSIVE TOUR COST

6 nights Georgia (3 nights Tbilisi, 2 nights Bakuriani, 1 nights Gudauri)

Tour cost: INR Rs.1,10,000/- per person for minimum 10 guests traveling together on twin share basis (subject to air fare changes)

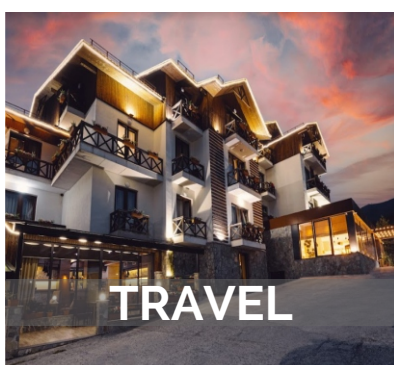
Single room supplement: INR Rs.19,000/- additional

TOUR COST INCLUSIONS:

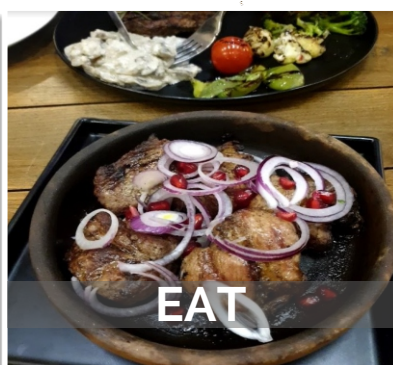
- **Airfare** from Mumbai Tbilisi Mumbai with one stopover
- **E-Visa**
- 4 star **Hotel stay** for 6 nights
- **Meals** - 6 Breakfasts + 7 Lunches + 6 Dinners
- Airport **transfers and sightseeing**
- Comfortable minibus (Mercedes Sprinter or similar) with a driver
- English speaking **Guide**
- **Entrance fees** to these museums & places: Narikala, Uplistsikhe, Borjomi Park, Borjomi Cable way, Rabati Castle, Gergety Trinity Church

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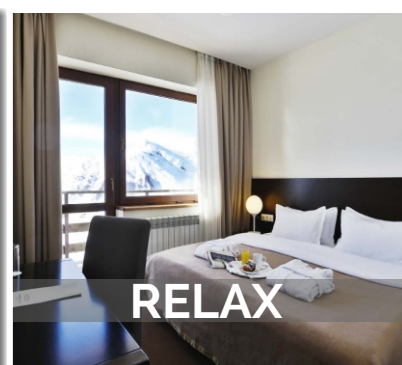
- Personal expenses, shopping, alcohol or beverages
- Any meals other than mentioned in the itinerary
- Any item not mentioned in 'Tour cost inclusions'
- Any currency fluctuations.
- Any additional expenses caused by reasons beyond our control such as natural calamities (cyclones, typhoons, floods etc.); flight delays-rescheduling or cancellations; any accidents; medical evacuations; riots, strikes etc.



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