



STEP in
GEORGIA



CROSSING ATSUNTA PASS (3431M) WILDLIFE ADVENTURE TO TUSHETI AND KHEVSURETI

DURATION: 9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS

Georgia since ancient times is a deeply religious country. Despite the enormous reverence for Christianity, people in Georgia are very tolerant and with due respect refer for other religions, Tbilisi is the city, where you can find Georgian Orthodox, Roman Catholic churches, a synagogue, a mosque and a Zoroastrian temple all within a 5-minute walk of each other. In Georgia, there is a huge number of monasteries, churches and holy places that tourists can visit. After the ascension of Christ, the Holy Spirit instructed the apostles to spread the message of Christianity around the world. The apostle Andrew preached in Georgia and tradition holds that Simon the Zealot and Matthias were also active here. In 320 AD St Nino of Cappadocia caused the conversion of the country to Christianity. The thirteen Assyrian Fathers founded monasteries and hermitages in Georgia in the 6th century and initiated the ascetic movement.



DAY 1

Arrival at Tbilisi international airport. Meeting and greeting by our representative, transfer to your hotel in Tbilisi. Check-in at the hotel and overnight

DAY 2: TBILISI – OMALO (L,D)

Trip from Tbilisi to Tusheti. En route visit Alaverdi cathedral. Crossing the main Caucasus ridge – Abano pass at the elevation 2926 m. Lunch on the way in nature. Arrival at the village Omalo. Accommodation at the Guesthouse. Sightseeing around villages upper and lower Omalo. Explore surroundings and enjoy by the beautiful views of Chagma valley, visit the Keselo fortress and ethnographical museum of Tusheti. Overnight in Omalo at Guesthouse. Dinner with national dishes and Georgian wine or chacha.



DAY 3: OMALO – DARTLO

Overnight in Dartlo, at the guesthouse



DAY 4: DARTLO – CHESHO – PARSMA – GIREVI

Start early morning at 8 am after breakfast, First drive to Dartlo, Along the way visit some beautiful sites of Tusheti – Que and up to Ghele. Arrival in Dartlo by Crossing Pirikita-Gometsari Watershed Range. Explore surroundings in village Dartlo and start trek to the direction village Girevi, The way are running along the Alazani river. On the way we pass through the villages Chesho Parsma and Girevi. This is a fascinating and remote mountainous Georgian villages. The houses and towers in this village were built with local stones and have survived many centuries. Camp near the village Girevi.

DAY 5: GIREVI – KVAKHIDI

Start trek early morning at 8 am. Continue our trek from the village Girevi along Hatsunta-Alazani Gorge, passing abandoned village Chontio – Which is the last inhabited village in Pirikiti valley, and continue towards to our campsite at Kvakhidi (2400m). The path goes up through the alpine meadows along the river, From where we have spectacular views and impressive surroundings. Overnight in Tents at Kvakhidi place.



DAY 6: CROSS THE ATSUNTA PASS (3431M) – KHIDOTANI RANGE

On this day we have little bit hard trek, we start early morning, The path gradually goes up through alpine meadows along the head of the river Hatsunta. Then rising up on the grassy slopes with some scree sections to the Atsunta Pass and at the elevation 3431m we cross it, from the top we have spectacular views of the surrounding summits including the deep canyons of Khevsureti province where we will be trek in the next days. Descend to our campsite at 2400m, overnight in Tents.



DAY 7: KHIDOTANI RANGE – MUTSO

We start trek early morning. The most famous and impressive medieval fortress Mutso, located on a steep hill where we have short excursion. And at the end of our trek Shatili village-citadel. It is one of the impressive monument of Georgia, with its mighty towers standing proudly in Arguni river valley for 1200 years. Overnight in Mutso.

DAY 8: MUTSO- SHATILI – TBILISI

In the morning drive to Shatili (our driver pick you up). sightseeing around Shatili complex and then drive to Tbilisi, First crossing Datvijvari Pass (2676m) then following the deep Aragvi gorge to join the Georgian Military Highway. Overnight in Tbilisi



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