



Architectural Heritage

Explore the secrets of complex carved out of rock in Georgia

2 Days Trip to Vardzia & Tbilisi

For architectural connoisseurs, Georgia offers a smorgasbord of styles and engineering feats. There is a rich history of religious architecture, from cave developments to breathtaking basilicas built high in the mountains. In addition there are relics from fortress-cities in surprisingly good condition and a long tradition of structures built right into the mountains.

Day 1: Kobuleti – Kutaisi – Borjomi - Abastumani (310 km, 4-5 hours)

Major Highlights

- ❖ Gelati architectural complex protected by UNESCO with outstanding wall paintings
- ❖ Borjomi mineral water springs
- ❖ Night excursion to astrophysical observatory to observe night sky

Overnight in Abastumani

Departure time from Kobuleti: 9 am

Arrival in Abastumani: 6 pm

Day 2: Abastumani – Vardzia – Tbilisi (430 km, 6 hours)

Major Highlights

- ❖ Samtskhe-Javakheti Historical Museum in Akhaltsikhe
The museum is especially known for its collection of 13-19th century manuscripts, including the oldest version of Vepkhistaosani (The Knight in the Panther’s Skin), circa 16th century.
- ❖ Khertvisi stronghold (11th century)
- ❖ Vardzia - a rock-hewn complex on the left bank of the river Mtkvari was founded in the 12th -13th cc. during the reign of Giorgi III and Queen Tamar. It was initially planned as a town-fortress and later transformed in a well fortified monastery.

Overnight in Tbilisi

Departure time from Abastumani: 9 am

Arrival in Tbilisi: 7 pm

Prices based on Double / Twin room accommodation per person:

1 person in single room	2 persons	3-5 persons	6-8 persons	9-10 persons	Single Room Supplement
USD 1050	USD 590 per person	USD 450 per person	USD 290 per person	USD 250 per person	USD 20 Per person

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Prices include: Transportation by comfortable vehicle according to number of people, English speaking guide, Entrance fees; 1 x picnic lunch; 1 x lunch at the restaurant; 1 x dinner at the hotel; 1 x breakfast / overnight at 3* hotel in Abastumani (double room accommodation), excursion to astrophysical observatory, mineral water & local taxes

Note: Hotel reservation in Tbilisi is available by prior arrangements at 3, 4, 5 star Hotels

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