



Culture & Architecture

Explore the corners of marvellous cluster of cultures, ancient history, crossroad of ancient trade routes that reveal the legacy of the Silk Road, flavoured cuisine and fragrant wines, warmth of hospitality and tolerant people.

1 Day Trip: Kobuleti – Kutaisi – Gori - Uplistsikhe – Mtskheta - Tbilisi

This trip gives us an opportunity to visit two largest and most important sites of Imereti and Kartli regions: Cultural sites protected by UNESCO, Mtskheta – the ancient capital of eastern Georgia and Uplistsikhe cave town - one of the best examples of rock-caved architecture in Georgia.

The Major Highlights:

- ❖ Gelati architectural complex with 12th century wall paintings (UNESCO protected area)
- ❖ Uplistsikhe - an ancient cave town from the 1st half of the 1st millennium BC situated on the crossroads of important trade routes. It was the main centre of paganism, and represents a complex of halls, caves, theatres, altars, pagan temples, secret tunnels, prisons, pharmacy, passages-streets all carved out of stone over an area of 4 hectares.
- ❖ Svetitskhoveli which may be translated as "The Life-giving pillar", is the main church of Mtskheta and a sacred place where the robe of Christ is being kept. This bright example of Georgian renaissance architecture was erected by architect Arsukidze in 11th c, in the place where the first church in Georgia once stood in the 4th c. (UNESCO site)
- ❖ Jvari Church (6th-7th cc) - a masterpiece of the early Medieval Period. St. Nino erected the first wooden cross at the site. This example of classic tetra conch design with all its miniature size, strikes the viewers with its grandeur and integrity. (UNESCO site)

Departure time from Kobuleti: 9 am
 Arrival in Tbilisi: 5 pm
 Total distance including excursions: 460 km

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 780	USD 460 per person	USD 310 per person	USD 190 per person	USD 150 per person	

Prices include: Transportation by comfortable vehicle according to number of people, English speaking guide, all entrance fees; 1 x lunch at the restaurant; mineral water & local taxes

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

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