



Are you ready to go really off the beaten tourist path? Want to spend more time learning and experiencing local customs, wine making practices and traditional culinary methods? Then let's go to where Europe, Asia and the Middle East all cross paths for a Taste of Georgia! Visit a corner of the globe where vibrant culture and delicious wines and food abound all put together for a handson, small group experience. Tour highlights the diverse culture, ancient history and delicious culinary traditions of this emerging country, a former Soviet republic, nested between the towering Caucasus mountains, the Black Sea Sea and Turkey. Did we mention it's the birthplace of wine?

\$3600 DOUBLE / \$4100 SINGLE

Minimum group size needed: 6 guests / Max group size: 13 guests

I-3:Tbilisi

Pick up at the airport and transfer to Hotel. Welcome dinner in Tbilisi on Day One. For our second day, a four hour walking tour of Tbilisi's old town and city center followed by a visit to Holy Mt. (Mtatsminda) with a ride down a funicular to get back to our hotel. Day Three in Tbilisi will be an all day food walk with multiple tastings, outdoor market sampling, proper wine tasting focused on macerated/skin contact/orange wines and an epic dinner with our local guide/restaurant owner.

4-6: Kakheti region

Day Four we depart Tbilisi and drive to semi desert of David Gareja to experience one of the most remote and atmospheric settings of a monastery. Late afternoon arrival into our hotel in the middle of Georgia's most important wine growing region, Kakheti. Day Five visit with two hour hike at Lagodekhi National Park, close to the border of Azerbaijan. Incredible lunch and wine tasting with local family at their home followed by evening visit to Bodbe monastery close to our lodgings.

Day Six we take in many of the cultural highlights of the area including 16th century Gremi Castle. Another amazing meal with drinks at local winemaker.

7-8: Greater Caucasus

Day Seven we leave Kakheti and visit the old capital and spiritual center of Georgia in Mtskheta, this includes a couple of UNESCO protected churches. Drive over Georgian Military Highway and up to the Greater Caucasus where Mt. Kazbek lies. Day Eight we hike to beautiful waterfalls, visit monastery at the border of Russia and learn how to make Georgian dumplings called khinkali at local family's house.

9: Tana Valley

Day Nine we drive south to the city of Gori, birthplace to one Joseph Stalin (visit to the museum). We visit Uplistsikhe cave city before enjoying scenic Tana Valley and enjoy dinner and wines with local wine maker.

10: Vardzia cave city

Day Ten we head to 13th century Rabati castle which has been fully restored. Then we tour the stunning ancient cave city of Vardzia where King Tamar was born. Fresh trout for dinner.

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Day Eleven is back to Tbilisi, driving alongside the country's largest lake and including a few short stops. Late afternoon arrival back in the capital city with time at leisure.

Tour ends at Tbilisi airport (TBS) the following morning.

Questions or inquire for your custom tour dates: info@adventureswithsarah.net

Tour includes:

- Comfortable Minivan or small bus (depending on group size)
- English-speaking Tour Leader
- 11 Overnights according to itinerary
- Catering: Breakfast x 11; Lunch x 2; Dinner x 7
- All Entrance fees and guiding according to itinerary

