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MONASTERIES, WINE
TRADITIONS AND DRAMATIC
LANDSCAPES

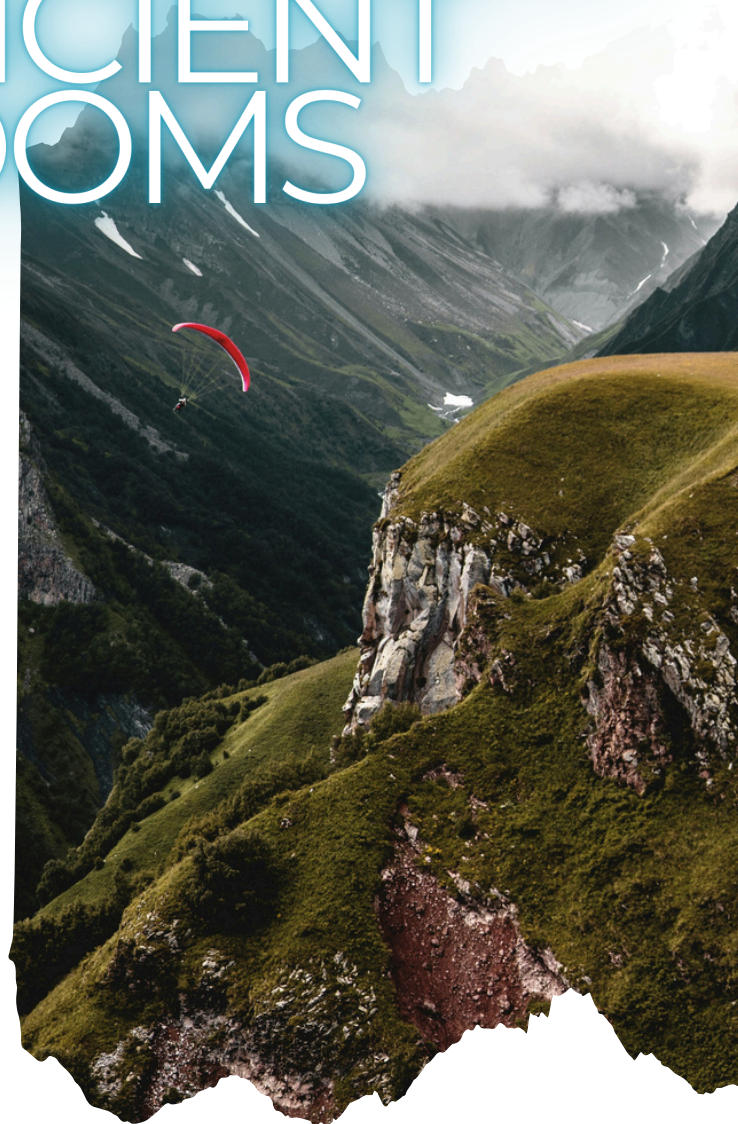
8-10 DAYS
INSPIRATIONAL CULTURAL &
SCENIC ITINERARY

GEORGIA: BETWEEN CAUCASUS PEAKS AND ANCIENT KINGDOMS

A JOURNEY THROUGH GEORGIA, WHERE ANCIENT MONASTERIES, MOUNTAIN LANDSCAPES AND ONE OF THE WORLD'S OLDEST WINE TRADITIONS CREATE A TRULY UNIQUE EXPERIENCE. FROM THE VIBRANT CAPITAL TBILISI TO THE PEAKS OF THE CAUCASUS AND THE CAVE CITIES OF THE INTERIOR, THIS ITINERARY REVEALS A LAND RICH IN HISTORY AND AUTHENTICITY.

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TBILISI – A CROSSROADS OF CULTURES

THE JOURNEY BEGINS IN TBILISI, A CITY WHERE EUROPE AND ASIA MEET. HISTORIC DISTRICTS, CHURCHES AND LIVELY STREETS REFLECT A MIX OF INFLUENCES SHAPED BY CENTURIES OF TRADE AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE.

MTSKHETA – THE SPIRITUAL HEART

JUST OUTSIDE THE CAPITAL, MTSKHETA REPRESENTS THE SPIRITUAL CENTER OF GEORGIA. ITS ANCIENT CHURCHES AND SACRED ATMOSPHERE MAKE IT ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S MOST IMPORTANT CULTURAL SITES.

KAZBEGI – THE CAUCASUS EXPERIENCE

HEADING NORTH ALONG THE SCENIC GEORGIAN MILITARY HIGHWAY, THE JOURNEY REACHES THE DRAMATIC LANDSCAPES OF KAZBEGI.

OVERLOOKING THE VALLEY, THE ICONIC GERGETI TRINITY CHURCH OFFERS ONE OF THE MOST BREATHTAKING VIEWS IN THE CAUCASUS.

ALONG THE ROUTE, THE HISTORIC ANANURI FORTRESS ADDS A GLIMPSE INTO GEORGIA'S MEDIEVAL PAST.

KAKHETI – THE CRADLE OF WINE

THE JOURNEY CONTINUES INTO KAKHETI, ONE OF THE OLDEST WINE REGIONS IN THE WORLD.

STOPS INCLUDE SIGHNAGHI, KNOWN FOR ITS CHARMING ATMOSPHERE AND VIEWS OVER THE VALLEY, AND BODBE MONASTERY, AN IMPORTANT PILGRIMAGE SITE.

A WINE TASTING EXPERIENCE INTRODUCES TRAVELERS TO GEORGIA'S UNIQUE WINEMAKING TRADITION, ROOTED IN ANCIENT METHODS.

DAVID GAREJA MONASTERY COMPLEX – DESERT SPIRITUALITY

SET IN A SEMI-DESERT LANDSCAPE NEAR THE AZERBAIJANI BORDER, DAVID GAREJA OFFERS A STRIKING CONTRAST — A REMOTE MONASTIC COMPLEX CARVED INTO THE ROCK, SURROUNDED BY VAST OPEN SPACES.

GORI & UPLISTSIKHE – ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS

IN CENTRAL GEORGIA, GORI PROVIDES HISTORICAL CONTEXT, WHILE NEARBY UPLISTSIKHE REVEALS AN EXTRAORDINARY ROCK-HEWN CITY DATING BACK TO ANCIENT TIMES, WITH TUNNELS, DWELLINGS AND TEMPLES CARVED INTO STONE.

KUTAISI – WESTERN GEORGIA

MOVING WEST, KUTAISI OFFERS A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE ON THE COUNTRY. THE NEARBY GELATI MONASTERY, A UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE, REFLECTS THE GOLDEN AGE OF MEDIEVAL GEORGIA.

BORJOMI – NATURE AND WELLNESS

KNOWN FOR ITS MINERAL WATERS, BORJOMI INTRODUCES A SOFTER LANDSCAPE OF FORESTS AND NATURAL PARKS, OFFERING A MOMENT OF RELAXATION WITHIN THE JOURNEY.



AKHALTSIKHE – CROSSROADS OF EMPIRES

IN SOUTHERN GEORGIA, AKHALTSIKHE IS HOME TO THE IMPRESSIVE RABATI FORTRESS, A MULTICULTURAL COMPLEX REFLECTING CENTURIES OF DIFFERENT INFLUENCES.

VARDZIA – A CITY IN THE ROCK

THE JOURNEY CULMINATES AT VARDZIA, A SPECTACULAR CAVE MONASTERY CARVED INTO A CLIFFSIDE, ONE OF GEORGIA'S MOST ICONIC AND DRAMATIC SITES.



BEST TIME TO VISIT

MAY–JUNE AND SEPTEMBER–OCTOBER, WHEN WEATHER CONDITIONS ARE IDEAL FOR BOTH MOUNTAINS AND CULTURAL VISITS.



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- CULTURAL AND OFF-THE-BEATEN-PATH TRAVELERS
- HISTORY AND ARCHITECTURE ENTHUSIASTS
- TRAVELERS SEEKING UNIQUE AND AUTHENTIC DESTINATIONS



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