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## 7 days Georgia - In the footsteps of the Argonauts (M-ID: 2969)

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from €1,690.00

Dates and duration (days)

# On this enduro tour through the western regions of Georgia, we can test our motorcycles on absolutely all road conditions.

Our tour starts in Batumi, the relaxed tourist metropolis with a warm, subtropical climate on the Black Sea, and ends in the imposing mountain landscape of the mighty Caucasus. The most spectacular part of the motorcycle tour awaits us in the Svanetia region, which boasts the highest peaks and most beautiful landscapes in the country.

#### Georgian hospitality

"The guest is a god's blessing" - true to this motto, visitors are welcomed in Georgia. These are not empty words, but particularly warm and unconditional hospitality that has characterized Svanetia for thousands of years. The always welcome guest is granted every wish and no effort is spared to fully satisfy him. It is in the nature of Georgians to take life in a relaxed way and to turn even the most inconspicuous events into a celebration. They do not look for the special occasion to celebrate, but live the exuberant mood daily in their everyday life, despite the often difficult life situation. In Georgia, humanity comes first and you can be sure that you will never have to stand alone on the side of the road in case of a breakdown. Amid all this good cheer, food and drink are of course a must. Georgian cuisine is tempted with hearty dishes, accompanied by spicy wine and local spirits such as chasha. What quest could refuse an invitation to such a feast of the senses?

#### Delicious Georgian cuisine

It is amazing how such tasty dishes can be created under simple and humble conditions! The secret is obvious: it is the mixture of fresh ingredients and local herbs, prepared with love and care! On our tour, you will get your money's worth and get to know the cuisine of Swanetia with its traditional dishes. Our special extra: amateur cooks get the opportunity to prove their culinary skills on our motorcycle tour through Georgia and prepare a delicious mountain dish themselves under local guidance.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Combined enduro round trip: Motorcycle, man, nature, culture.
- Historic places and ancient cities.
- Ultimate offroad fun with a powerful motorcycle.
- Insight into a millennia-old culture.
- Wide plains, deep gorges, and the Caucasus mountain range in the West of Georgia.

- Warm hospitality, local specialties, and exquisite wine tasting.

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#### Itinerary:

#### Day 1. arrival and transfer

After arrival at Kutaisi airport, bus transfer to Batumi (about 1 hour) followed by check-in at the hotel. You are free to take a rest break or explore the city. The modern metropolis of Batumi on the Black Sea is the number one vacation resort in Georgia and the relaxed vacation atmosphere coupled with mild subtropical climate invites you to relax and makes you want to get to know more of the city. In Batumi, we find a peaceful mix of different nationalities, cultures, and beliefs. Also in terms of architecture, there is harmony between old and new, and modern skyscrapers meet ancient buildings. In the afternoon, the test ride is scheduled to make sure that each motorcycle is tuned to its rider. At the end of this exciting day, we will have dinner together in a local restaurant.

Motorcycle trip around Batumi

After breakfast, another motorcycle check takes place followed by a cross-country test ride towards the Turkish border across subtropical forests and the local settlements. In Batumi, there is up to 90% humidity and it rains frequently and heavily. Our enduro trip today consists of single tracks through lush vegetation on red, partly rocky clay soil. It should be noted that the off-road test ride is weather-dependent.

Special note: To spend this day in the forest, we need passes from the local border police. Please be sure to bring your passport, preferably in a protective cover.

Day 2. Batumi - Goderdzi Pass (Small Caucasus)

08:00 Breakfast 09:00 Departure 12:30 Lunch (picnic) 17:00 Arrival in Goderdzi Pass 19:00 Dinner

Today starts early and already at sunrise we say goodbye to Batumi and set off through the subtropical forest areas towards the Semo-Adzharia region. The first 50 km we ride on a paved pass road along the Adjariszqali River, which is lined with lush green vegetation and eaves-like natural landscapes. The mountains in Adjara do not reach the imposing heights of the Caucasus but offer plenty of exciting variety during the ride. Our motorcycle tour is rich in ups and downs as well as refreshing river crossings. We pass numerous picturesque mountain villages and then reach the Goderdzi Pass (3000 meters) in the Little Caucasus towards evening.

Route difficulty: 1-2 Daily riding distance: 185 km Oliroad/asphalt ratio: (%) 70/30

Day 3. Goderdzi Pass - Abastumani - Kutaisi

08:00 Breakfast 09:00 Departure 12:30 Lunch fish restaurant by the river 17:00 Arrival in Kutaisi 19:00 Dinner

Today we will ride our enduro motorcycles to Kutaissi. The road conditions are very varied and your riding skills are in demand. Until noon you will ride across the Small Caucasus, past a multitude of pastoral villages with their characteristic regional wooden houses. Alpine meadows with a magnificent view of the idyllic landscape of the famous Borjomi-Kharagauli National Park await you. We will continue downhill to the spa town of Abastumani where we will take a lunch break at the Baratkhevi river to recharge our batteries for the rest of our enduro ride. Here we enjoy a feast of freshly caught and tastily prepared river trout. In the evening we reach the second largest city in Georgia, Kutaisi. During its long history, the city was once the capital of ancient Colchis and later of modern Georgia. Kutaisi has a compact and cozy historical old town, which is extremely worth seeing. Optionally, after our arrival, you can visit the monastery complex "Gelati", where one of the most important kings of Georgia "David the Builder" is buried. The monastery is one of the most important monuments of Georgian art and a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Route difficulty: 1-2 Daily riding distance: 140 km. Olroad/asphalt ratio: (%) 70/30

Day 4. Kutaisi - Mestia region, Svanetia

08:00 Breakfast 09:00 Departure 12:30 Lunch (picnic) 17:00 Arrival in Mestia 19:00 Dinner

The most scenic day awaits us today, as one of the most beautiful motorcycle routes in the country takes us to the heart of the Caucasus Mountains to Svanetia. However, before heading to the high mountains, we will visit the famous Caves of Prometheus, famous for their stalactites and stalagmites. After this interesting stopover, it is time to storm the mountains. Svanetia region is located in the northwest of Georgia, on the country's border with Russia, and is one of the most popular tourist areas in the country. The picturesque small town of Mestia has become a real tourist magnet in recent years, offering a wide range of attractions and services that are increasingly geared towards motorcycle tourism. You'll agree with us for sure that Mestia is on the top of every motorcycle lover's list of must-see attractions! Despite its popularity, the town has remained down-to-earth and in the evenings you'll encounter local herds of cows strolling through town on their way home. On our motorcycle route, we visit original villages where time has stood still and the way of life seems virtually unchanged for centuries.

More than half of today's ride is off-road, through the breathtaking landscapes of Svanetia in the mountainous region of the Great Caucasus.

Route difficulty: 1-2 Daily riding distance: 180 km O®road/asphalt ratio: (%) 60/40

Day 5. Mestia - Ushguli - Mestia

09:00 Breakfast 10:00 Departure 14:00 Lunch in restaurant 17:00 Arrival in Mestia 19:00 Dinner

Our enduro destination today is Ushguli, the highest inhabited village in Europe at about 2200 meters. Here are the famous defense towers of Ushguli, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Ushguli's altitude gives us a breathtaking view of the spectacular surroundings, with its steep slopes and the snow-capped mountain peaks of the Caucasus. Around 17:00 we return to Mestia and can once again admire the highest mountain in Georgia, the breathtaking Shchara (5,200 m).

Route difficulty: 1-2 Daily riding distance: 100 km Olroad/asphalt ratio: (%) 50/50

Day 6. Mestia - Kutaisi

08:00 Breakfast 09:00 Departure 14:00 Lunch (picnic) 17:00 Arrival in Kutaisi 19:00 Dinner

Our enduro trip through Georgia is coming to an end. We ride downhill and enjoy the last views of the mountainous landscape of Svanetia. After 5 hours of riding, we reach Kutaissi, the final stop of our tour.

Route difficulty: 1-2 Daily riding distance: 180 km Oliroad/asphalt ratio: (%) 60/40

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Day 7. return flight
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Category	Motorcycle Tour
Terrain	Offroad
Vehicle	motorcycle rent incl.
Tourguide / Coach	yes (guided)
Accommodation	Hotel / B&B or similar
Flight to / from	no, not incl.
Ferry	no, not incl.
Support vehicle (luggage/service)	yes
Customer payment protection	yes
* PRICING	Minimal without optional extras, see pricing

## Pricing

per rider in a shared/double room and rental motorcycle Pamir 300	€1,690.00
per rider in a shared/double room and rental motorcycle KTM EXC 450/350	€1,790.00
pillion passenger (traveling in the support vehicle)	€1,200.00
Single room (surcharge)	€250.00

## Included

- 7 days stay in different regions of Georgia
- 6 overnight stays in 4 different regions of Georgia
- 6 nights in a double room in hotels typical of the country

5 riding days through three landscapes: subtropics, the mountain range of the Lesser Caucasus and the mountain range of the Greater Caucasus.

- Breakfasts and lunches
- Airport pick-up service
- Rental motorcycle KTM EXC 450 / 350 or Pamir 450 (depending on booking)
- Tour Guide English/German-speaking
- Mechanic Service
- Spare motorcycle
- Support vehicle for luggage
- Gasoline for the support vehicle
- Gasoline for your motorcycle
- Gasoline for the guide's motorcycle
- Drinking water during the day

Snacks during the day

Training to improve the riding technique

Transport service to the doctor on demand is covered by customer insurance

### Not included

Everything not listed under features International flights to Kutaissi or Batumi Dinners Gasoline for your motorcycle (approximately €70) All drinks during leisure time. Travel cancellation costs and repatriation insurance. Early check-in before 12:00noon. Deductible in case of damage to the motorcycle 500€ will be deposited as a deposit with the tour operator in cash.

Damage cover insurance 15 €/ day.

#### More details

Airport: Arrival and departure from Tbilisi airport in Georgia.

Topics of the motorcycle tour: motorcycle, man, nature, culture, cuisine, wine, and photography.

The motto of the motorbike tour: Relaxed riding and getting to know Georgia's diverse landscapes and culture.

Total distance: about 800 km (500 miles).

Daily stages: 60 - 185 km (40 - 115 miles).

Maximum altitude of the ride: 3000 meters above sea level.

Off-road and asphalt ratio: For the entire route (%): 80/20.

Riding safety: The safety of our customers is our top priority, therefore we only mount quality tires from Germany and Europe on our motorcycles.

Riding skills: The ride takes us on the Enduro motorcycle through rough terrain, on mountain roads, sandy sections, gravel, and stony ground. Tours are suitable for motorcyclists of all levels and abilities. We offer all riders individual assistance and appropriate attention in all necessary areas. In case of insufficient experience, practical tips to improve the riding technique are integrated.

Difficulty of the motorcycle tour: About 1 to 2 on a 5-point scale. The degree of difficulty can be adjusted according to the group.

Accommodation: Typical local hotels, guesthouses.

Climate: Corresponds to the Central European climate. Hot and humid in summer, very pleasant in the mountain regions.

Minimum number of participants: 4 persons and if the minimum number of participants is not reached we reserve the right to cancel the trip up to 40 days before the start of the trip.

Special features: The complete Enduro equipment can be rented on-site for a fee. If there is an odd number of travelers, the person who takes the single room pays the corresponding single room surcharge.

Sights of the motorcycle tour: Old town of Batumi, Black Sea coast, subtropical forest, Goderdzi Pass (3000 m), Borjomi-Kharagauli National Park, monastery complex "Gelati" and caves of Prometheus in Kutaissi, the highest village of Europe Ushguli (2.200 m), the highest mountain of Georgia Shchara (5.200 m), fortified towers from the 12th century in Mestia, big Caucasus.