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7-day hiking tour in Kazbegi, Georgia

Detailed itinerary:

Day 1: Arrival at Tbilisi airport. Meet with your guide and the transport and drive to the village of Kazbegi in the heart of Caucasus Mountains. The village is located at the foot of the 5000 m high Mount Kazbek. 3,5-4h drive time, during the transfer we follow the ancient Georgian Military Highway that used to be the main track for the armies crossing the Caucasus in the past and is now connecting Russia and Georgia. On the way we will visit the magnificent Ananuri Fortress on the shore of the Zhinvali Lake.

Accommodation in the area of Gudauri - 2 nights.

Day 2: Truso Valley

Today we`ll hike in the remote Truso Valley, famous for its villages and towers. We`ll visit the ruins of Zakagori fortress on the border with South Ossetia.

Total walking 6h for the day. Back to the same hotel.

Day 3: Kabardzina - Kobi-Sioni trek

Short transfer to the village of Kobi we follow old shepherd trails up to a mountain pass at 2800 m to see the peaks of Kazbek, Narvani and Kabardzina. Descent to Sioni village and transfer to Kazbegi for accommodation - 3 nights.

Total walking 6h for the day - 7 hours, 14 km distance, +700/-1000 m

Day 4: Tsminda Sameba and Mount Kazbek

We start hiking from the village, taking a nice trail up to the iconic church of Tsminda Sameba, located on a mountain above the village, further we`ll climb to a nice panoramic spot on the ridge. We`ll observe the peak of Kazbek and the Gergeti Glacier. Back to Kazbegi/Sno for a dinner and relaxing evening.

Total walking for the day – 5h, +600/-600 m.

Day 5: Chaukhi Pass

Full day of hiking in the Sno Valley up to Chaukhi Pass and back. This is considered as the most beautiful hike in the area, starting from the village of Juta at 2150 m, after a 45 min transfer from Kazbegi. Ascent near the rock formations of Roshka up to the pass and back the same way.

Total walking for the day – 7h, +1200/-1200 m.

Day 6: Lomisi Monastery - Tbilisi

Morning transfer to the village of Zemo Mleta, from where we will climb to the Lomisi monastery. Transfer back to Tbilisi and accommodation for 1 night. Dinner.

Day 7: Departure

Time permitting - a sightseeing walk in Tbilisi – the Holy Trinity Church (Tsminda Sameba), the Old Town, Narikala Fortress, the old capital of Mtskheta. Departure.