A 6 day tour around Georgia (Mr. Kamal Latif)

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August 12: Tbilisi & Mtskheta Discovery

Pickup

- Pickup from your designated location in **Tbilisi**
- **Driving time to Jvari Monastery: ~40 minutes.**

Stop 1: Jvari Monastery

- Start your day with a visit to **Jvari Monastery**, a 6th-century Georgian Orthodox monastery overlooking **Mtskheta** .
- This **UNESCO World Heritage Site** offers panoramic views of the **Mtkvari** and **Aragvi** rivers.
- Jvari is considered one of the masterpieces of early Georgian architecture.
- **Driving time to Mtskheta Town: ~20 minutes.**

Stop 2: Mtskheta Town & Svetitskhoveli Cathedral

- Walk through **Mtskheta** , one of the oldest cities in Georgia.
- Browse handmade Georgian crafts and exhibitions.
- Taste the traditional Georgian sweet **Churchkhela** .
- Visit **Svetitskhoveli Cathedral**, an 11th-century architectural wonder and an important religious site in Georgia, recognized by **UNESCO** .
- **Driving time to Tbilisi's Rike Park: ~55 minutes.**

Stop 3: Tbilisi Cable Car to Narikala Fortress

- Ride the **Tbilisi cable car** from **Rike Park** to **Narikala Fortress**
- Enjoy breathtaking **360-degree views** of the city from the cable car.
- **Note:** Narikala Fortress is a short walk from the cable car station.

Stop 4: Narikala Fortress & Mother Georgia Statue

- Explore **Narikala Fortress**, a 4th-century fortress offering incredible views.
- Visit **Mother Georgia (Kartlis Deda)**, the symbol of **Tbilisi**, representing hospitality and strength.
- **Note:** Shardeni street is a very short walk from the fortress area.

Stop 5: Tbilisi Old Town & Shardeni Street

- Walk through the charming streets of **Tbilisi Old Town**
- Explore **Shardeni Street**, a lively area known for its restaurants, bars, and nightlife.
- Discover nearby streets like **Bambis Rigi** , **Rkinis Rigi**, and **Erekle II Street**, filled with fashionable galleries, cafes, and cultural spots.

End of Tour

August 13: A Day Trip on the Georgian Military Highway

Morning Pickup & Departure

- Your driver will pick you up from your hotel in **Tbilisi** in the morning to begin the journey towards **Kazbegi** on the famous **Georgian Military Highway**.
- **Driving time to Jinvali Viewpoint: ~1 hour 30 minutes.**

Stop 1: Jinvali Viewpoint

- Your first stop is the **Jinvali viewpoint**, where you can admire stunning views of the **Jinvali Reservoir** and the surrounding landscape.
- **Driving time to Ananuri Fortress: ~10 minutes.**

Stop 2: Ananuri Fortress

- Next, visit the historic **Ananuri fortress**. This medieval complex, dating back to the 13th century, was once the seat of the powerful **Dukes of Aragvi**.
- **Driving time to Gudauri Ski Resort: ~1 hour 15 minutes.**

Stop 3: Gudauri Ski Resort

- Continue your journey with a stop at **Gudauri**, a popular ski resort. Enjoy the picturesque views of the mighty **Caucasus Mountains** and take a short walk around the area.
- **Driving time to Friendship Monument: ~20 minutes.**

Stop 4: Friendship Monument

- Head to the iconic **Friendship Monument**. This Soviet-era structure, built to honor Georgian-Russian friendship, is located at an altitude of 2,170 meters and offers breathtaking mountain vistas.
- **Driving time to Stepantsminda: ~35 minutes.**

Stop 5: Stepantsminda

- Arrive in **Stepantsminda**, the main town in the **Kazbegi region**. Here, you can explore the local market and grab a quick bite if you like.
- **Driving time to Gergeti Trinity Church: ~25 minutes.**

Stop 6: Gergeti Trinity Church

- From **Stepantsminda**, take a drive up to the **Gergeti Trinity Church**. This 14th-century church is one of Georgia's most iconic landmarks, perched at an altitude of 2,170 meters with stunning panoramic views.

Return to Tbilisi

- After exploring Gergeti, it's time to head back to **Tbilisi. The drive back takes approximately 3 hours and 15 minutes.** If time allows, you can

make an optional quick stop at the **Zhinvali Dam** on your way back.

August 14: Journey to Kutaisi & Prometheus Cave

🚗 Travel from Tbilisi to Kutaisi

- Your driver will pick you up from your hotel in **Tbilisi** for the scenic drive to **Kutaisi**.
- **Driving time to Prometheus Cave: ~3 hours 25 minutes.**

🏞️ Stop 1: Prometheus Cave

- Your first major stop will be the magnificent **Prometheus Cave** , a true natural wonder and one of the most popular attractions in Georgia.
- You can take a guided tour of the cave, which includes a **boat ride on an underground river** and a walk through various chambers filled with **stalactites** and **stalagmites**.
- **Driving time to Bagrati Monastery: ~60 minutes.**

🏛️ Stop 2: Bagrati Monastery

- After exploring Prometheus Cave, head towards the **Bagrati Monastery**, which is located in the heart of **Kutaisi**. This medieval monastery dates back to the 11th century and is a **UNESCO World Heritage site** . Admire the stunning architecture and the views of the surrounding landscape.

🏙️ Stop 3: Exploring Kutaisi

- Spend the rest of your day exploring **Kutaisi**. You can visit other attractions such as the iconic **White Bridge** and the **Colchis Fountain**

🏨 Overnight in Kutaisi

- After a full day of sightseeing, check in your hotel in **Kutaisi** for an overnight stay.

August 15: Journey to Martvili & Batumi

🚗 Morning Pickup

- Your driver will pick you up from your hotel in the morning to take you to the **Martvili Canyons**.
- **Driving time to Martvili Canyon: ~1 hour 20 minutes.**

Stop 1: Martvili Canyon

- The canyon is a natural wonder. It used to be a bath place for **Georgian Nobles, Dadiani family**. Now it represents a touristic site. People visit it to enjoy the scenery, its waterfalls and take a **boat trip in the river with deep green color**. Visitors can enjoy a 300-meter boat tour on the **Abasha River** and beautiful views of the mountain river canyon.
- **Driving time to Dendrological Park: ~1 hour 50 minutes.**

Stop 2: Dendrological Park

- From **Martvili Canyon**, you will continue your journey to **Batumi** . You will have a stop(if the park works on that day) at the **Dendrological Park of Batumi** , built by the richest person in Georgia – **Bidzina Ivanishvili**. The park is free for visitors; it combines exotic animals, rare plants, and beautiful scenery.
- **Driving time to Batumi: ~60 minutes.**

Arrival & Evening in Batumi

- You will reach **Batumi** in the evening. **Batumi** is the most developed and popular summer resort in Georgia, often called the **Las Vegas of Georgia**. It offers numerous attractions to visitors, including the historic **old streets of Batumi** , the modern **7 km long boulevard**, and the **stone beaches** where you can spend your evening, visit the famous **Ali and Nino statue** and take a walk along the boulevard.

Overnight in Batumi

August 16: Batumi & Return to Tbilisi

Morning in Batumi

- Spend the morning in **Batumi** . Accordingly choose the most interesting activities for you to do in **Batumi** . Here the list of the popular thing to do in **Batumi** :

    - **Sweem in the black sea**
    - **Sea boat parasailing**
    - **Walking tour Batumi (Piazza, old Batumi, center, and Golden Fleece statue)**
    - **Cable car Batumi**
    - **Makhuntseti waterfall and zipline**
    - **Batumi Botanical Garden**

 Afternoon: Return to Tbilisi

- By the afternoon, leave from **Batumi** and drive to **TbilisiThe drive takes approximately 5 hours**. You may have coffee/food stops along the way.

August 17: Dashbashi Canyon Day Trip

 Morning Departure & Journey

- You will meet your driver in the morning again. This is going to be a short day (about 6 hours). As long as the **Dashbashi canyon (the Diamond bridge)** is only 100 km away from **Tbilisi,it takes about 1 hour and 50 minutes to reach**.

 Exploring the Canyon

- **Dashbashi Canyon** is a combination of a natural wonder and modern architecture. A **giant swing** and a **roped bicycle** are available as side activities. **A 3-hour back-and-forth walk is required to reach the bottom of the canyon itself (most of the people don't do it).**

 Return to Tbilisi

- After 1-3 hours of exploring, you will take the **1 hour and 50-minute** drive back to **Tbilisi**