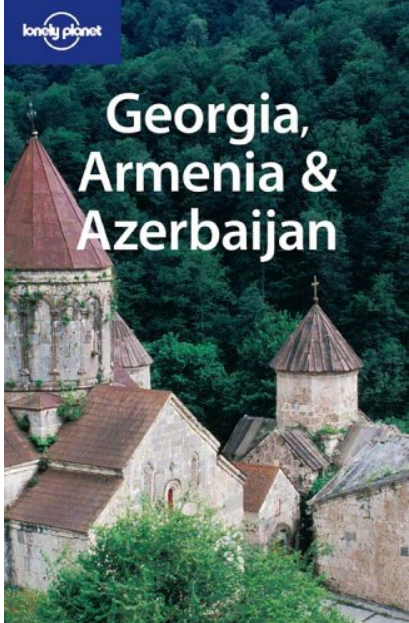





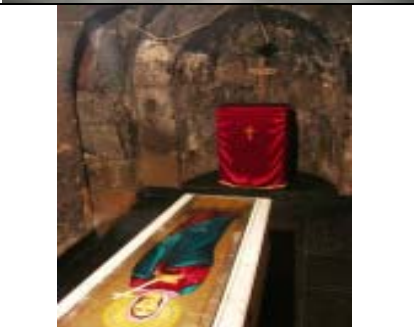
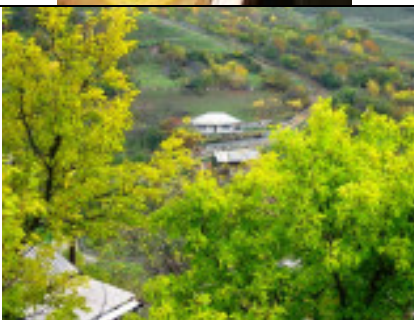
## CAUCASUS TOUR AZERBAIJAN – GEORGIA - ARMENIA

Duration: 18 days/17 nights

Days	Destinations	Itinerary	
DAY1	Baku	Flight to Baku. Meeting by English speaking guide. Transfer to hotel. Accommodation.	
DAY 2	Baku	This Early morning enjoy a walking tour of Baku. Wandering through the old city's delightful winding alleys you will visit the Palace of the Shirvanshahs, the old mosques and the mysterious eight storey Maiden's Tower. <b>VERY INTERESTING WALKING TOUR</b> After early lunch transfer to Krasnaya Sloboda (Quba) and see the synagogue and the wedding palace. Hopefully see some of the village and meet with the local rabbi or town administrator. Travel onto Quba to see the ancient hammam, quick city tour and stop to shop for carpets for which the town is known for. Transfer back to Baku	
DAY 3	Baku - Nakchivan- Baku	Transfer for to airport for flight to Nakchivan <b>at 08:00</b> , arriving: Visiting: Mumina Xatum mausoleum, Carpet Museum, Mausoleum of Yusif Huseynoglu, Imamzada Mausoleum, Iranian mosque, and Haydar Aliev Museum if open. Include lunch at best Turkish restaurant in town. Transfer to the airport for flight back to Baku at <b>16:40</b> . Arriving. Accommodation at hotel.	

DAY 4	Baku – Gobustan – Baku	Today head south to Gobustan. On the mountainside and in caves are thousands of rock paintings dating from the early Stone Age (c.10,000 BC). Also see the old oil fields of Bibi Heyat and the bizarre mud volcanoes. In the afternoon quick tour to the Absheron Peninsula, visiting a Zoroastrian fire temple and also take a look at the medieval fortresses and the interesting mosque at Amirjan. Back to Baku	
DAY 5	Baku - Shamakhi- Sheki	Leaving Baku behind, enter the foothills of the Caucasus Mountains. Interesting stops today include the town of Shamakhi GREAT TOMBS FROM THE 17TH CENTURY HERE. and the village of Lahij, with its cobble stone streets, the centre of Azerbaijani handicrafts.	
DAY 6	Sheki - Kish - Sheki	Sheki is a delightful town and today you will discover the palace of the Sheki Khans, the history museum and the house of craftsmen. In the afternoon drive into the countryside and visit Kish THE PALACE OF THE SHEKI KHANS IS ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE TRIP. village. Overnight in a converted YUKHARI caravanserai . THE OUTDOOR EATING AREAS ARE BEAUTIFUL. MARKET IN SHEKI EVERYDAY IS INTERESTING. GREAT PHOTO OPPURTUNITIES.	
DAY 7	Sheki – Telavi	Visiting Sunday market (to be adjusted with local guide). Following the spectacular Caucasus Mountain range, cross the Lagodekhi border into Georgia and continue to Telavi located in Georgia's wine growing region.	
DAY 8	Telavi – Tbilisi	The people of Kakheti Province are renowned for their hospitality, good food and wine and while in Telavi visit King Irakli's Palace, Tsinandali - the house of Prince Chavchavadze and enjoy a wine tasting. Also visit Alaverdi Cathedral and Shaumta Monastery before continuing to Georgia's capital Tbilisi.	
DAY 9	Tbilisi	Tbilisi. This morning enjoy a sightseeing tour of the charming Georgian capital including Siony cathedral and Anchiskhati Basilica, the history museum with its fantastic gold treasury and old icons and Narikala Fortress, also visit Jewish synagogue. The afternoon is left free. Visiting a nice hamam for a good massage. (to be adjusted with a local guide)	

DAY 10	Tbilisi – Gudaure	Moving on from Tbilisi it's an exciting drive into the high Caucasus Mountains along the Georgian Military Highway. Visit Mtskheta, WONDERFUL CATHEDRAL HERE. the Fortress of Ananuri BEAUTIFUL ON THE SHORE OF A LAKE., and finally, the town of Kazbegi. You will have a chance to hike. up to Gergeti Church. Return to Gudaure, where you spend the night.	
DAY 11	Gudaure - Gori - Tbilisi	Descending from the Caucasus Mountains, visit the town of Gori, birthplace of Georgia's most infamous son, Joseph Stalin. Still revered by some Georgians, the last surviving statue of Stalin stands in the main square of Gori. Continue to the cave town of Uplistsikhe, and then return to Tbilisi.	
DAY 12	Tbilisi – Dzoraget	Leaving Georgia it's in to the densely forested mountains of Armenia. Visit the monasteries of Haghpat DEFINITELY ONE OF THE BEST MONASTERIES IN ARMENIA. founded in 976, and the monastery of Sanahin IN THIS TOWN, HOME OF THE MIKOYAN BROTHERS, SEE THE MISTAKE THAT ONE OF THE BROTHERS DESIGNED. dating from 966, which are both UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Overnight in Lori Province in a hotel by the rushing Debed River. <b>Dinner</b> at the hotel	
DAY 13	Dzoraget - Haghartsin - Lake Sevan	Today visit Haghartsin Monastery, set in a scenic valley beside a stream. Continue via the spa town of Dilijan to Goshavank Monastery and take an optional hike to Goshalich, a small lake nearby. <b>Lunch</b> at fish restaurant “Ashot Yerkat”. Then drive on to Lake Sevan and visit Sevan Monastery built in 874. Spend the night at a hotel on the shores of the lake with time to relax.	
DAY 14	Sevan - Selim Caravanserai – Sissian	Today follow the great Silk Road into the Southern Region of Armenia. Visit the atmospheric Selim Caravanserai, an important staging point in the 14th century. Later, <b>Lunch</b> “Sisavan” restaurant visit Glazdor Monastery, the oldest and most famous university in Armenia established in 1282, and then continue to Sissian.	
DAY 15	Sissian – Yerevan	A highlight of any trip to the Southern Region is a visit to Tatev Cathedral, a remarkable architectural complex situated on the top of an almost impregnable plateau. Since the 9th century, Tatev has been recognised as one of the religious and spiritual centres of Armenia. Visit Goris and the Khndzoresk cave settlements before returning to Yerevan	

DAY 16	Yerevan	This morning enjoy a sightseeing tour of Yerevan. Visit the archaeological site of Erebuni, the first capital of Armenia dating back to the 8th century BC, the Matenadaran Manuscripts Museum of ancient manuscripts and the poignant Memorial to the 1915 Armenian Genocide.	
DAY 17	Yerevan	Today visit Echmiadzin, the spiritual heart of the Armenian Church and site of the country's first church, built in 303. In the afternoon, visit the pagan temple of Garni, followed by Geghard Cave Monastery where it is said that the holy lance that pierced the body of Christ was kept.	
DAY 18	Yerevan - Tbilisi	Early transfer to Tbilisi for the flight home. End of service.	

<b>Services included in main tour price:</b>	<b>Services excluded in main tour price:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Double / Single accommodation</li> <li>• English guide service</li> <li>• Transport service all over tour by luxury air conditioned car</li> <li>• Portages charge at airports and hotels Tips at the airports and hotels</li> <li>• Picnic and coffee stops</li> <li>• Unlimited Bottle of mineral water</li> <li>• Unlimited Entrance fees to all sightseeing</li> <li>• Folklore shows in Bukhara city</li> <li>• OPTIONAL services for your choice; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tashkent: Tickets for performance in Alisher Navoi Theatre, Visiting Christian churches, Cup of Tea at Tashkent TV tower restaurant Tashkent zoo and botanic garden. Any museums of Tashkent And much more</li> <li>Samarkand, Bukhara, Khiva, Tashkent: Decussating of local wines of local factories, all museums, theatres, taking part in national holydays, parties and customs / Traditions. Visiting Uzbek families, Schools, medical institutions, bazaars, archives of ancient books, libraries and much much more.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Presents from Roxana Tour</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Airfare due to the program (international and local)</li> <li>• All optional deviations from the main itinerary</li> <li>• Beverages and meals not included in main menu</li> <li>• Photo-and video charges</li> <li>• All personal expenses (extra luggage fee, room service, medical expenses/insurance, etc.)</li> <li>• Trip cancellation / accident insurance</li> <li>• Tips to the guides and drivers</li> </ul>