

GAMARJOBA GEORGIA TOURS



HIKING TOUR

SVANETI

10 Days / 9 Nights · from Kutaisi

Tour Route

- Day 1** Arrival in Kutaisi
- Day 2** Kutaisi market → Zugdidi → Becho
- Day 3** Ushba Waterfalls hike → Mestia
- Day 4** Koruldi Lakes hike
- Day 5** Chalaadi Glacier & Margiani Tower
- Day 6** Mulakhi village trail
- Day 7** Tower of Love → Ushguli → Guro
- Day 8** Shkhara Glacier hike → Mestia
- Day 9** Enguri Dam, Dadiani & Prometheus Cave
- Day 10** Motsameta, Gelati & departure



Upper Svaneti

Overnights: Kutaisi · Becho · Mestia · Ushguli

About This Tour

This 10-day journey combines Georgia's most dramatic mountain landscapes with its rich cultural heritage. Starting in the historic city of Kutaisi, you travel through Zugdidi into Upper Svaneti — a remote region famous for its medieval stone towers and UNESCO-listed villages.

Over the following days you hike some of Svaneti's most celebrated routes — Ushba Waterfalls, Koruldi Lakes, the Chalaadi and Shkhara Glaciers, the Mulakhi Trail and Guro Mountain — while staying in the traditional villages of Becho, Mestia and Ushguli. Glaciers, alpine lakes, Svan culture and historic monasteries make this a complete trekking-and-culture experience.

10 / 9

Days / Nights

Demanding

Moderate to demanding

Kutaisi

Start & end point

Highlights

- ✓ Kutaisi — historic city & farmers market
- ✓ Zugdidi & Dadiani Palace Museum
- ✓ Becho, Mestia & Ushguli Svan villages
- ✓ Ushba Waterfalls & Koruldi Lakes
- ✓ Chalaadi & Shkhara Glaciers
- ✓ Mulakhi Trail & Guro Mountain
- ✓ UNESCO-listed Upper Svaneti landscapes
- ✓ Medieval Svan defensive towers
- ✓ Tower of Love & Enguri Dam
- ✓ Prometheus Cave, Gelati & Motsameta

DAY 1

Arrival in Kutaisi

Your Svaneti adventure begins with pick-up at Kutaisi International Airport and a transfer to your hotel in Kutaisi. Depending on your arrival time, you can relax, explore the historic city on your own, or simply prepare for the journey into the mountains.

Overnight in Kutaisi.

Arrival

Airport pick-up

Kutaisi

Overnight



Welcome to Georgia

DAY 2

Kutaisi Market → Zugdidi → Becho

After breakfast, visit the lively Kutaisi Farmers Market to taste Georgian food culture — cheese, spices, fruit and churchkhela. Then travel west through Zugdidi toward Becho, a beautiful Svan village surrounded by dramatic Caucasus scenery.

Overnight in Becho.



Kutaisi Farmers Market

Market
Kutaisi

Scenic drive
via Zugdidi

Becho
Overnight

DAY 3

Ushba Waterfalls → Mestia

The trekking begins with a hike to the impressive Ushba Waterfalls near Becho, along forest paths and glacier-fed streams beneath the legendary Mount Ushba. Afterwards, transfer to Mestia, the cultural and trekking hub of Upper Svaneti.

Overnight in Mestia.

9–11 km
Distance

±450 m
Ascent / Descent

3–4 h
Hiking



Ushba Waterfalls

DAY 4

Koruldi Lakes Hike

One of Svaneti's most iconic — and most demanding — hikes. Climbing high above Mestia, wide views open over Caucasus peaks, Svan towers and glaciers, all the way to the reflective Koruldi Lakes and their dramatic mountain backdrop.

Overnight in Mestia.

13 km
Distance

±1,340 m
Ascent / Descent

7–8 h
Hiking



Koruldi Lakes

DAY 5

Chalaadi Glacier & Margiani Tower

A shorter hike leads to Chalaadi Glacier, one of the most accessible glacier routes near Mestia, through forest and river landscapes to the foot of the ice. Afterwards, visit the Margiani Tower Museum to discover traditional Svan architecture, then enjoy free time in Mestia.

Overnight in Mestia.



Chalaadi Glacier

6 km

Distance

±435 m

Ascent / Descent

2–3 h

Hiking

DAY 6

Mulakhi Village Trail

The Mulakhi Trail is a beautiful village-to-village walk through traditional Svan communities. Medieval towers, stone houses, mountain fields and alpine views are part of everyday life here — a gentle cultural contrast to the glacier routes.

Overnight in Mestia.

14 km

Distance

+650 m

Ascent

4–5 h

Hiking



Traditional Svan villages

DAY 7

Tower of Love → Ushguli → Guro

Travel toward Ushguli, a UNESCO-listed community and one of the highest continuously inhabited villages in Europe. On the way, stop at the legendary Tower of Love. After arriving, hike toward Guro Mountain for sweeping views over the high Caucasus and ancient towers.

Overnight in Ushguli.



Ushguli & Mount Shkhara

7 km

Distance

±700 m

Ascent / Descent

4–5 h

Hiking

DAY 8

Shkhara Glacier Hike → Mestia

One of the most powerful days of the tour: a long hike toward Shkhara Glacier, below Mount Shkhara — the highest peak in Georgia. The route follows open valleys with sweeping views of peaks, rivers and glacier scenery, before returning to Mestia.

Overnight in Mestia.

19 km
Distance

±550 m
Ascent / Descent

5–6 h
Hiking



Towards Mount Shkhara

DAY 9

Enguri Dam → Dadiani → Prometheus Cave

Leaving the mountains, stop at the impressive Enguri Dam, then continue to Zugdidi to visit the Dadiani Palace Museum. Later, explore the illuminated underground halls of Prometheus Cave, with its stalactites and stalagmites, before reaching Kutaisi.

Overnight in Kutaisi.

Enguri Dam
Scenic stop

Prometheus
Cave halls

Kutaisi
Overnight



Prometheus Cave

DAY 10

Motsameta, Gelati & Departure

On the final day, visit Motsameta Monastery, set above a scenic river gorge, and Gelati Monastery, one of Georgia's great medieval religious and educational centres. Afterwards, transfer to Kutaisi International Airport for departure.

Happy journey home!



Gelati & Motsameta

Motsameta

River-gorge monastery

Gelati

UNESCO site

Departure

Airport transfer

What's Included

Included

- ✓ Airport transfers
- ✓ Professional guide for the whole tour
- ✓ Local mountain guide on trekking days
- ✓ Professional driver & comfortable vehicle
- ✓ 4WD vehicles for mountain routes
- ✓ Guesthouse / hotel with breakfasts
- ✓ 6 dinners & 6 lunch boxes
- ✓ All museum, cave & Tower of Love fees
- ✓ Bottle of water per person per day

Not included

- ✗ Additional meals not specified
- ✗ Travel insurance & alcoholic drinks
- ✗ Personal expenses
- ✗ Tips for guides & driver (optional)



Adventure in the Caucasus