



THE MOST BEAUTIFUL TREKKING IN GEORGIA

FROM **OMALO** THROUGH **SHATILI** TO **STEPANCMINDA** THROUGH THE MAGICAL AND MYSTERIOUS
MOUNTAINS OF THE **TUSHETI AND KHEVSURETI** + CLIMBING **MT. CHAUKHI** (3624 M).

EXPEDITION DESCRIPTION

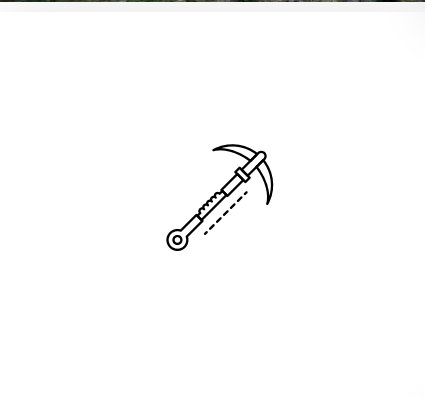
The most beautiful trekking route in Georgia according to National Geographic, which leads through two of the wildest regions of the country: Tushetia and Khevsureti.

During this trekking, we will drive off-road vehicles along the most dangerous way in Georgia and the highest passable pass of the country, namely the Abano Pass (2850 m), and then we will cross the Atsunta Pass (3431 m) and the Chaukhi Pass (3338 m) on our feet. On the trekking route we will meet the inhabitants of the region, mysterious shepherds, and we will get to know local beliefs and traditions. There will be no time to rest from the breathtaking views. We will climb beautiful peak Rcheulishvili 3643 m (which is one of peaks in Chaukhi Massif called Georgian Dolomites). What is more, we will look at the mythical Mt. Kazbek and rest in the Truso Valley, which will delight us with its colors.

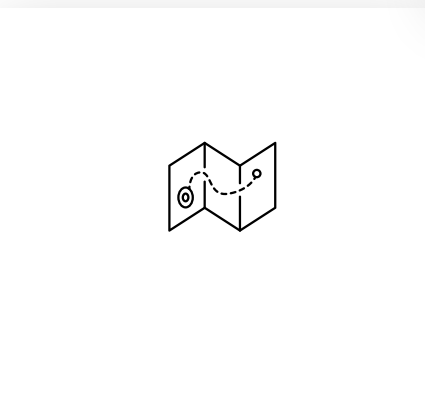




EXPEDITION PLAN



DAY 01



In the morning (5:00 am – 6:00 am) we meet in Tbilisi (at the airport or in the city center). You need to get there on your own. Of course, we can help you in organizing a good air connection and transfers from other parts of Georgia. If you do not have your trekking equipment with you, you can rent everything you need – sleeping bag, tourist cookers, trekking poles etc. with us and we will deliver equipment to our meeting place in Tbilisi. In our office you can also buy gas for tourist cookers and lyophilized products. Straight from Tbilisi, we drive to Omalo by off-road car (approx. 7 hours of travel, but on the way we see amazing views that compensate for a long journey - we pass, among others, through the Abano

Pass, which rises to a height of 2850 m!). By the way – shopping at the supermarket, because Tbilisi is the last place where you can find shops (there are no shops in Omalo). In Omalo – accommodation in a guesthouse, rest, free time to visit the Keselo Fortress and relax in the Omalo countryside. In the evening – dinner with wine. We spend the night in Omalo in the guesthouse.



DAY 02



Trekking
DISTANCE:
25 km



Trekking
TIME:
9 h



Total
CLIMB:
800 m



Total
DESCENT:
600 m

We leave Omalo after breakfast. We pass through the magical villages of Tushetia (including the amazing Dartlo!) And get to Girevi, where we spend the night in the guesthouse. In the evening – dinner with wine. Throughout the trekking from Omalo to Stepancminda the horses carry our main luggage. We carry only small backpacks. During our trip there is always a high mountain guide and leader of the expedition (English-speaking), as well as

local guides who are responsible for looking after the horses and help during our possible ride on horseback from Omalo to Girevi.



DAY 03



Trekking
DISTANCE:
15 km



Trekking
TIME:
7 h



Total
CLIMB:
1000 m



Total
DESCENT:
600 m

We leave Girevi after breakfast in the guesthouse. Today, we approach the Atsunta Pass (3431 m), from which we can admire beautiful views of the entire Caucasus. This day, we spend the first night in our camp, which we will set up (in tents). During the mountain part of the trip (that is from the today' supper until breakfast on day five) we prepare all meals on our own – tourist cookers and gas will be necessary. Expedition leader

and guides, of course, help in the preparation of meals, but in principle – we prepare them on our own, so gas and tourist cookers will be necessary.



DAY 04



Trekking
DISTANCE:
17 km



Trekking
TIME:
9 h



Total
CLIMB:
1400 m



Total
DESCENT:
1170 m

Today we cross the Atsunta Pass and descend, so we spend the night in Khevsureti. We spend the next night in tents in the camp, which we set up ourselves.



DAY 05



Trekking
DISTANCE:
20 km



Trekking
TIME:
8 h



Total
CLIMB:
300 m



Total
DESCENT:
1500 m

Tonight we get to Shatili. Shatili is a unique monument from the late Middle Ages (approx. 12th century). It is a perfectly preserved village-fortress, which rises in the ravine of the river, just 4 km from the border with Chechnya. This historic complex consists of about 60 towers that are connected with walls or piers. Towers standing outside often have wooden

balconies. The whole complex creates a compact, spectacular fortress. On our way to Shatili we pass beautiful Georgian towers in Mutso, shepherds' huts, abandoned villages and „houses of the dead“. Overnight and dinner in the Shatili Fortress, so it is an adventure in itself, because we will sleep in place from the 12th century!



DAY 06



Trekking
DISTANCE:
17 km



Trekking
TIME:
8 h



Total
CLIMB:
1360 m



Total
DESCENT:
1190 m

After breakfast we leave Shatili and drive by off-road car to Roshka (2 hours). This day we go from Roshka through the Chaukhi Pass (3338 m! + a beautiful view of the Chaukhi

mountain range) to Juta. Accommodation and dinner in Fifth Season Hut.



DAY 07



Trekking
DISTANCE:
15 km



Trekking
TIME:
10 h



Total
CLIMB:
1300 m



Total
DESCENT:
1400 m

Breakfast early in the morning and next we climb one of the peaks of Chaukhi Massif – Rcheulishvili (3624 m). After reaching the summit, return to Juta. From Juta, we drive an off-road car (30 min) to Stepancminda (Kazbegi). We spend the night at the

guesthouse in Stepancminda. In the evening we take part in a supra, during which we will make our own khinkali, learn to play panduri and listen to Georgian songs.



DAY 08



Trekking
DISTANCE:
14 km



Trekking
TIME:
6 h



Total
CLIMB:
100 m



Total
DESCENT:
100 m

After breakfast we go to the most beautiful valley in Georgia, that is the Truso Valley with wonderful mineral springs, where we spend the whole day. In the valley we go on a delightful trekking through Khesari Canyon, mineral water springs, abandoned village of Ketrisi, two monasteries (women's and men's) straight to the Zakagori Fortress and

the border with Ossetia, where the Georgian military base is located. After the trekking, we drive to Tbilisi. We arrive to Tbilisi in the evening. After arrival to Tbilisi, the program of our trip officially ends. Depending on the group's plans – we will organize transport directly to the airport or to selected hotels in Tbilisi.



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Check the opinions of our guests and how they rate our expeditions!



Marius Raskevicius

2 reviews

★★★★★ a month ago

Mountain Freaks are true professionals and do an amazing job. Fantastic team with a lot of passion for the business and for the clients.

Me and my wife did a private expedition to Kazbek without any previous experience. Preparation was easy and communication was smooth. They have many blog posts and detailed explanations about the expeditions on their website and social media as well. Our guide Ramazi was excellent and easy to communicate with. Very much recommended for anyone with a thirst for adventure!



Sarah Atwood

7 reviews

★★★★★ 2 months ago

Positive: Professionalism, Quality, Responsiveness, Value

We joined an expedition to mount Kazbek recently and had the experience of a lifetime. In the months leading up to the trip Aga fielded dozens of questions and during our stay she continued to oversee every aspect. Our expedition leader Ewa was clear and extremely knowledgeable in the mountains. Our guide Lexo was literally a life-saver. All the staff were helpful and patient. Highly recommended. N.B. if you need to rent gear do so early as there is limited availability.



Steven Boon

1 review · 1 photo

★★★★★ 2 months ago

Best adventure agency in Stepancminda! Trustworthy and professional guides, great and clear communication upfront to prepare for the Kazbeg summit trip. Definitely recommended! Thank you Nika, Ewa and Aga :)



Roderick de Raad

1 review · 3 photos

★★★★★ 2 months ago

Great company that made this exhausting challenge to the top alot of fun! Fantastic team with a lot of passion for the business and for the clients.



Onno Rombout

1 review · 1 photo

★★★★★ 2 months ago

Professional agency, good guides and small groups on one rope. Reached Mt Kazbek summit. Would recommend.



John Brandauer

2 reviews

★★★★★ 2 months ago

Mountain freaks is a great agency. We climbed mount kazbek with them, everything was in hand, was really well structured & we really had a very good expedition. Ewa & Nika are a really good team & never felt unsafe, also really great mountain guides. Would recommend it to anyone, thank you!





PRICE PER PERSON:

1190,00 EURO

PAYMENTS:

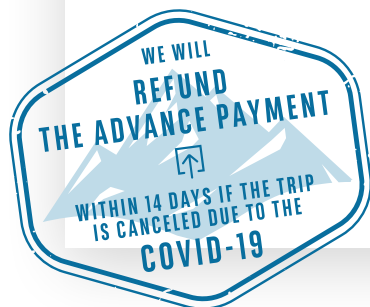
01ST ►
INSTALLMENT

290 EURO
payable upon registration.

02ST ►
INSTALLMENT

900 EURO
payable 14 days before the start
of the trip to our bank account.

Payment for the rental of high-mountain
equipment, gas purchase, lyophilized
products, etc. in our office, in cash
(euro / dollars / lari) or with a card.





PRICE INCLUDES

- ▶ **care of an English-speaking leader and Georgian high-mountain guide during the expedition,**
- ▶ local guides responsible for caring for horses during our trekking,
- ▶ all mentioned transports by off-road car (Tbilisi-Omaló, Shatili-Roshka, Juta-Stepancminda, Stepancminda-Truso Valley-Tbilisi),
- ▶ help in preparing for the trip: consultation via e-mail and our Facebook profile regarding physical preparation, equipment purchase, organization of flights to Georgia and everything else related to the trip,
- ▶ access to a closed group on Facebook for participants of the expedition, where we will talk, motivate ourselves, exchange advice, etc.,
- ▶ training before the expedition (via the internet platform), which will help you to prepare for a meeting with the Caucasus,
- ▶ horse rental for luggage transport on the trekking route from Omalo to Stepancminda,
- ▶ 1 x accommodation Omalo (guesthouse), 1 x accommodation in Girevi (guesthouse), 1 x accommodation in Shatili (guesthouse), 1 x accommodation in Stepancminda (guesthouse) – double, triple or quadruple rooms (in Tushetia and Khevsureti the tourist infrastructure is not very extensive and the guesthouses are very basic, but there is always a normal toilet, bathroom with hot water, delicious food, nice hosts),
- ▶ 1 x accommodation in Juta (Fifth Season Hut) - dormitory,
- ▶ all breakfasts and wine dinners mentioned in the program (during the trekking, some meals are prepared individually from products bought by the participants during shopping in Tbilisi – specified in the plan of the trip!),
- ▶ traditional Georgian dinner supra with live music in Kazbegi
- ▶ tents needed during the trip,
- ▶ set of souvenirs.



ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES



rental of equipment that is needed during trekking according to the price list of our rental, check prices: [HERE](#),



gas for stoves purchase
– 12 EURO (large, 450 g),



transfer by off-road car from Shatili to Kazbegi (if the participant is tired and does not want to continue trekking through the Chaukhi Pass) - 170 EURO (for a car with a maximum capacity of 6 people).



DATES

OF OPEN GROUPS IN 2022:

12.07.2022 – 19.07.2022

10.08.2022 – 17.08.2022



If you are not satisfied with any of our open dates, remember that we also organize individual trips on dates selected by you, the offer of which can be found [HERE](#).



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