

OPEN TRIP TO THREE ARMENIAN PEAKS:

MOUNT KHUSTUP (3206 M), **AZHDAHAK** (3597 M) AND THE BIGGEST PEAK OF THE COUNTRY - **MOUNT ARAGATS** (4095 M).

TRIP DESCRIPTION

This trip is a perfect opportunity to get to know Armenian mountains, as we are going to conquer as MANY as three peaks, including the highest peak of the country.

But not only. During our stay in Armenia, we will get to know its culture and traditions, and see its most beautiful and most famous places: Lake Sevan, the Temple of Garni, the Geghard, Khor Virap and Tatev Monasteries, and the capitol of Armenia: Yerevan. We prepared our plan to fully facilitate conquering the three peaks for all the participants, as well as find some time for having a rest and getting to know the country. The most important thing is that during the whole trip, you will be with our team: trip leader and certified high mountain guides (also trained in medical rescue in the mountains), who will be responsible for your safety. Our team consists of a English-speaking leader and an Armenian guide. This way we can ensure that you stay safe during the trekking and also enhance your chances of conquering the mountains. It is also important that we are going to help you prepare every single detail of the trip. You will get access to our private Facebook group for participant, where we can share our thoughts, motivate each other, exchange ideas, advice etc. Before the trip, you will take party in an online training course, which will make you even better prepare for your adventures in Armenia. Additionally, of course, you can ask us any questions via e-mail or our Facebook page.



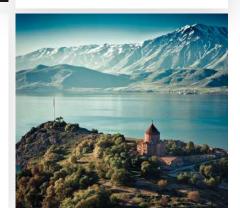








DAY 01



THE PLAN OF THE TRIP

Our starting point for this trip will be Yerevan in Armenia. You can reach it by plane from your country. Of course, we can help you with finding a good flight connection or a transfer from other places in Georgia or Armenia, if you will come earlier. On the airport, you will be welcomed by our trip leader. After you land and meet out leader, we will go to a guesthouse in Yerevan. We will have breakfast before 11 a.m. and take a rest after the flight. Next, we will take a trip to the most beautiful and most famous places around Yerevan. Our first stop will be the biggest lake in the whole Caucasus, namely Lake Sevan, and the Sevanavank Monastery nearby. Next, we will visit the Temple of Garni and the

Geghard Monastery. In the evening, we will go back to Yerevan, where we will have a dinner. Overnight stay in the guesthouse in Yerevan.









DAY 03



In the morning, we will have breakfast and then leave Yerevan and head to the rst peak we will conquer, which is Mount Khustup. We will go directly to the basecamp at the foot of the mountain (it should take us around 6-7 hours), but on our way we will make lunch and picture breaks and visit some interesting places. Among others, we will visit one of the most beautiful Armenian monasteries - the Khor Virap monastery, with breathtaking view on Mount Ararat. Our next stop will be in one of the vineyards of Areni. There, you will get a chance to try pomegranate wine – a symbol of Armenia. In the vicinity of Areni, we will also visit a cave in which the oldest leather shoes (older

than the Cheops pyramid and Stonehenge!) and the oldest vineyard in the world have been found. Then we will visit the Norawank Monastery, which is built on a rock ledge in the deep ravine of the Arpa River. We will also stop at the Armenian Stonehenge (Karahunj), which is considered the oldest astronomical observatory in the world. In the evening, when we reach the basecamp at the foot of Mount Khustup, we will set up our tents by ourselves and prepare dinner with things we buy earlier in the supermarket. The base is equipped with a gas stove and a cooker for boiling water.

Trekking DISTANCE: 18 km

Trekking

TIME:

9 h



Total DESCENT: 1300 m

After the breakfast we will start trekking to the peak of Mount Khustup (3206 m). From the peak, we will come back to our tent base camp to pack a camp and then we go by cars for dinner and overnight at a local guesthouse in Goris - a city on the border of Armenia and Nagorno-Karabakh.





day 04



Breakfast at the guesthouse and then sightseeing of Goris - one of the most beautiful cities in Armenia in terms of architecture, which apart from beautiful buildings harmonizing with the surrounding landscape, is also famous for producing fruit vodka. The slopes of the mountains surrounding the city are characterized by pointed rock columns in various shapes. Interesting rock formations and houses carved in the volcanic area are amazing. We will visit the Vorotan Gorge, where we will do a short trek and see some abandoned villages with houses carved in the rocks.

We will be able to imagine how people used to live in these caves. On this day, we will also visit the Tatev Monastery, from which we will start the ride on the world's longest cable car, which is entered in the Guinness Book of Records, and which offers amazing views on the edge of the canyon and gorge of the Vorotan River. If it will be a sunny day, you might be even able to see the Karabakh Range. After we come back to Yerevan, we will have a dinner together. Overnight stay in the guesthouse in Yerevan.











Trekking DISTANCE: 18 km Trekking TIME: 8 h





Total CLIMB: 1000 m ress (

Total DESCENT: 1000 m

After the breakfast we will go to our starting point for the trek to the peak of Mount Azhdahak (3597 m). It should take us around 1.5 hour. After coming back to Yereven, you will have some free time to

rest and see the city. We will have a dinner together. Overnight stay in the guesthouse in Yerevan.



DAY **06**

NORTHERN PEAK 4095 M

SOUTHERN PEAK 3879 M

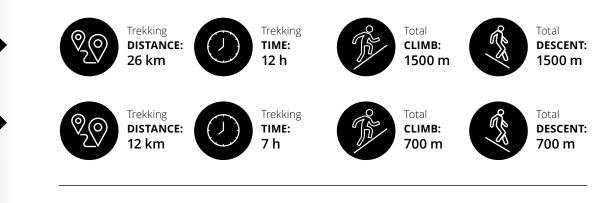
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After early breakfast, we start heading from Yerevan to Mount Aragats (4095 m). We will reach the Kari Lake (3200 m) with off-road cars, and from there we will start trekking towards one of the peaks of the Aragats volcano. Depending on group's abilities and preferences, we will decide which of Aragats peak to push for: the highest northern peak (4085 m) or the lower southern one (3879 m). After coming back to Yereven, you will have some free time to rest and see the city. We will have a dinner together. Overnight stay in the guesthouse in Yerevan.





We will spend all day in Yerevan. We will visit all the most important places in the capitol of Armenia: The Armenian Genocide Museum and Monument, Republic Square, the Cascade, the Ararat Museum. We will go for some shopping to the local market. In

the evening, we will have a dinner together. Overnight stay in the guesthouse in Yerevan.

Early morning, we will go to the airport, from where you will go to your country. If you want to stay in Yerevan, you don't have to checkout from the guesthouse until 12:00 pm. Of course, we can help you organize extended stay in Yerevan and transportation to other places in Armenia or Georgia.

OUR AWARDS CONFIRMING THAT WE ARE THE BEST AGENCY OF ACTIVE TOURISM IN GEORGIA AND THE BEST ORGANIZER OF EXPEDITIONS TO THE CAUCASIAN PEAKS

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OUR CUSTOMERS ALSO KNOW THAT WE ARE THE BEST!

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

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★★★★★ 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 challange to the top alot of fun! Fantastic team with a lot of passion for the business and for the clients.



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1 review · 1 photo

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***** 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 FOR THE TRIP PER PERSON: 1190,00 EURO

METHOD OF PAYMENT:



290 EURO paid to our bank account upon signing up.



900 EURO paid to our bank account at least 14 days before the start of the trip.











THE PRICE



- supervision of a English-speaking leader and an Armenian guide during the trip;
- help in organizing the trip; online consultation (email, Facebook) regarding physical preparation, buying proper equipment, organizing flights to Armenia and anything else connected with the trip;
- access to a private Facebook group, where we can share thoughts, information, advice, motivate each other etc;
- an online training course before the trip, which will help you to prepare better for yours adventures in Armenia,
- 5 nights in a guesthouse in Yerevan and
 1 night in a guesthouse in Goris two
 and three people rooms with a bathroom;
- all breakfast and dinners mentioned in the plan (only meals in the Mount Khustup base we will prepare from the products bought earlier in Yereven);

- all transportation mentioned in the plan;
- all entry fees;
- tents, sleeping bags, mats, a cooker for boiling water, which we will use during the trip;
- set of souvenires.



AVAILABLE DATES FOR OPEN GROUPS IN 2022:

25.06.2022 - 02.07.2022 01.09.2022 - 08.09.2022





SIGNING UP, ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS, CONTACT:

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