

TOUR PRICE CAD \$6500/USD \$5500

PLEASE NOTE: PRICES ARE BASED ON DOUBLE OR TRIPLE OCCUPANCY ONLY.

YOUR TOUR INCLUDES:

Air Fare: International airfare | Internal flights between cities as outlined in the itinerary.
Accommodation: Stay in 4-star hotels (Twin-beds rooms with 2 people sharing)
Meals: Breakfast, Lunches and Dinners
Tour Management: An English-speaking tour manager will accompany you throughout the entire journey to ensure a smooth and enriching experience.
You will have a **local guide** for the scheduled tours, offering in-depth knowledge of the destination.
Entrance Fees: Entrance fees for the sites and attractions **listed in your itinerary** are included, so you can enjoy without any additional costs.
Transportation: Travel comfortably by deluxe AC/Air-Cooled coach during all surface transport.

Tips: A tip of **EUR 180 per person** is required for the entire tour. This includes tips for bus drivers, tourist taxes, guides, and restaurants during the tour. The tip is calculated per person per day.

YOUR TOUR EXCLUSIONS:

Personal Insurance for Travel Protection: Trip Cancellation & Interruption Insurance | Medical Insurance
Personal Expenses: Any personal items or purchases, such as souvenirs, personal hygiene products, Porterage, laundry, mini-bar, telephone calls, and other incidental personal expenses are not included
Internet: There is no Internet connection/ WiFi provided during the tour.
Wines & Beverages: Wines and beverages are not included
Any Items Not Specifically Mentioned in Inclusions (This refers to anything not listed in the "What your Tour Price Includes" section) isn't included.
Church Donations: Church donations typically range from \$2 to \$5 (per person).
Visas/E-Visas/ ETIAS and others: Travelers are responsible for obtaining the necessary visas for the countries.
Meals: Meals not included in the itinerary (those outside the regular menus provided by the tour). Meals are pre-set with no option for a choice of menu. Allergies may be accommodated with prior notice.
Change of Travel Dates: Any deviation from the original group travel dates may result in additional airfare and taxes.
Airport Transfers for Land-Only Passengers (If a traveler is not taking a group flight and is arriving by land only, they are responsible for arranging their own airport transfer, either by taxi or bus.)
Payment methods : You can pay by Cheque / E-transfer / Credit card payments will incur an additional service fee of 2.5% of the tour price. Email for more information info@royaleorchidtours.com

Baggage Rule: Space on the bus and the flights is strictly limited. Each traveler is allowed only one checked bag and one small backpack. No carry-on luggage will be accepted under any circumstances.

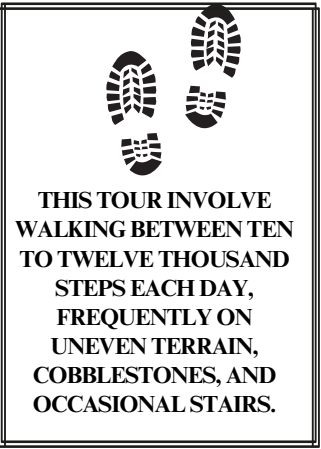
BOOKINGS AND DEPOSITS - You must complete and sign the official Royale Orchid Registration and Consent form provided and read terms and conditions of the tour below. Please enclose an initial Non-Refundable / Non-Transferable deposit of \$500 per person (adult / child) towards the cost of the tour. All cheques must be payable to Royale Orchid Tours and Holidays upon which you will receive an official receipt. Your receipt is written confirmation of your tour.

BALANCE PAYMENTS - Balance payments towards the costs of the tour must reach us 120 days / 4 months prior to departure of the tour Date.

AMENDMENTS - A transfer from one tour to another will be treated as a cancellation from a tour and a fresh booking of another. Therefore, cancellation rules will apply. **Tour Itinerary/ Hotel/ Airlines/ Flights/ routes are subject to change without prior information. While every effort will be made to operate the tour as outlined, the itinerary should be regarded as a general guide rather than a guaranteed schedule. Local conditions, religious or national holidays, traffic, security measures, strikes, or other unforeseen circumstances may require adjustments to the order of visits or the omission of certain sites.**

CANCELLATION - All services such as airline seats / hotel accommodation / ground transportation are pre-booked well in advance. We are liable to pay penalties to all our suppliers/ vendors if these services are released within the mentioned period.
If cancellation is made:

Deposit Non-Refundable & Non-Transferable - \$500
120 -91 days - 25% retained and the remainder refunded less Deposit
90-61 days - 50% retained and the remainder refunded less Deposit
60 days or less - 100% of your tour price



THE GRAND CAUCASUS EXPLORER

Azerbaijan | Georgia | Armenia

Day 1: DEPART FROM CANADA

Begin your journey with the flight to Azerbaijan.

DAY 2: TOUR BEGINS IN BAKU (AZERBAIJAN)

Welcome to Baku, the capital of Azerbaijan and the gateway to the Caspian Sea.

DAY 3: QOBUSTAN ROCK ART & MODERN BAKU (BLD)

After breakfast, explore the UNESCO-listed site of Qobustan, home to over 6,000 petroglyphs that offer a glimpse into prehistoric life. After lunch, return to Baku and visit some of its most iconic landmarks. Walk through the city center, where modern architectural wonders like the Flame Towers and the flowing curves of the Heydar Aliyev Center meet ancient city walls. End the day at the Azerbaijan National Carpet Museum, home to the largest collection of Azerbaijani carpets in the world.

DAY 4: BAKU'S OLD CITY & JOURNEY TO LAHIJ (BLD)

Start the day with a guided tour through Baku's historic walled city. Enter through the Shamaxi Gate, explore the UNESCO-listed Maiden Tower and Shirvanshah's Palace. After lunch, head west into the picturesque Caucasus foothills to the mountain village of Lahij, famous for its cobbled streets, copper workshops, and traditional handicrafts.



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DAY 5: VILLAGE TRADITIONS IN LAHIJ & TRANSFER TO SHEKI (BLD)

Spend the morning strolling through Lahij, browsing handmade crafts, and interacting with local artisans. Later, continue your scenic journey to Sheki, once a key Silk Road trading post. Nestled in green hills, Sheki is known for its charming streets and cultural heritage, and it will be your base for the next two nights.



DAY 6: SHEKI'S PALACE, MARKET & KIS VILLAGE (BLD)

Today you'll explore Sheki's top sights including the beautifully restored Khan's Palace, with its dazzling stained glass windows, and the vibrant local market. Later, take a short drive to the village of Kis to visit the historic round-towered Albanian Church. The afternoon is yours to enjoy Sheki at your own pace.

DAY 7: CROSSING INTO GEORGIA – WINE COUNTRY & MONASTERIES (BLD)

Cross the border into Georgia's Kakheti region, famous for its ancient wine-making traditions. Visit the hilltop Nekresi Monastery and the striking 16th-century Gremi Church complex. Arrive in the charming town of Telavi for an overnight stay.



DAY 8: TELAVI TO GORI – WINE TASTING & CULTURAL HERITAGE (BLD)

This morning, stroll through Telavi's local market before heading to Signaghi, a fortified hilltop town with beautiful views. Continue to Gori and visit the Georgian State Museum before checking into your hotel.



DAY 9: STALIN'S LEGACY, ANCIENT CAVE CITY & THE CAUCASUS MOUNTAINS (BLD)

In Gori, visit the Stalin Museum, including his birthplace and personal train carriage. Then explore the fascinating cave city of Uplistsikhe, carved into rock more than 2,000 years ago. After lunch, travel along the scenic Georgian Military Highway to Stepantsminda (Kazbegi), with a photo stop at Ananuri Fortress en route.



DAY 10: GERGETI CHURCH HIKE & ANCIENT MTSKHETA (BLD)

Enjoy a morning hike (or optional jeep ride) to Gergeti Trinity Church, perched dramatically at 2,170 meters with views of Mount Kazbek. After a local family-style lunch, drive to Mtskheta, Georgia's ancient capital, to visit UNESCO-listed Jvari Monastery and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral. Arrive in Tbilisi this evening.

DAY 11: EXPLORING OLD TBILISI (BLD)

Begin the day with a guided walk through Old Tbilisi, visiting the 13th-century Metekhi Church, 4th-century Narikala Fortress, the historic Sulphur Baths, and the Anchiskhati and Sioni churches. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure to soak up the city's vibrant café culture, shop for souvenirs, or relax.



DAY 12: INTO ARMENIA – DEBED CANYON & HAGHPAT MONASTERY (BLD)

After breakfast, cross into Armenia and begin your journey through the stunning Debed Canyon. Stop at the UNESCO-listed Haghpat Monastery, one of the region's most treasured landmarks, before arriving in the forested town of Dilijan, often called the "Little Switzerland of Armenia."

DAY 13: LAKE SEVAN, SELIM CARAVANSERAI & KARAHUNJ (BLD)

Drive to the sparkling blue waters of Lake Sevan and explore the hilltop Sevanavank Monastery. Then continue south via the Selim Caravanserai, a well-preserved Silk Road resting point from 1332. End the day at Karahunj, Armenia's mysterious "Stonehenge," before arriving in the mountain town of Goris.

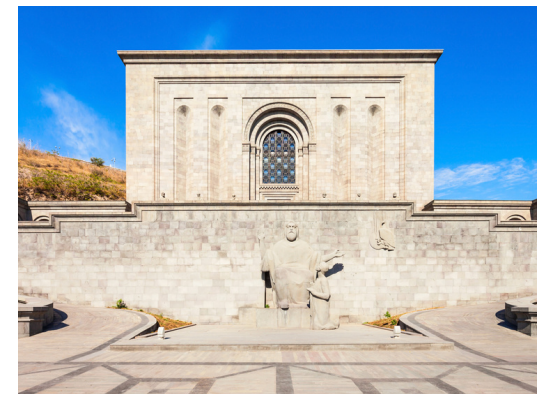


DAY 14: TATEV MONASTERY & DRIVE TO YEREVAN (BLD)

Ride the world's longest aerial tramway to the 9th-century Tatev Monastery, dramatically set on a cliffside. Afterward, drive north and stop at Noravank Monastery, known for its stunning canyon location and medieval carvings. Arrive in Yerevan, Armenia's lively capital city, in the evening.

DAY 15: YEREVAN CITY TOUR & FREE TIME (BLD)

This morning, explore the city's highlights including the Matenadaran Manuscript Museum, the moving Genocide Memorial, and the open-air Cascade art complex. After lunch, enjoy your final afternoon at leisure to shop, stroll Republic Square, or relax in a local café before your farewell dinner.



DAY 16: TOUR ENDS IN YEREVAN

After breakfast, your tour concludes. Hotel check-out is at noon. Transfers will be arranged for your departure flight as you bid farewell to the Caucasus with unforgettable memories of history, hospitality, and natural beauty.

