



THE
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ARMENIA
TOURS

7 DAY TOUR

Yerevan, Echmiadzin, Genocide Memorial, Khor Virap, Noravanq, Garni, Geghard, Lake Sevan, Haghartsin, Saghmosavank, Monument to The Armenian Alphabet, Amberd

DAY 1 Arrival in Yerevan, City Tour

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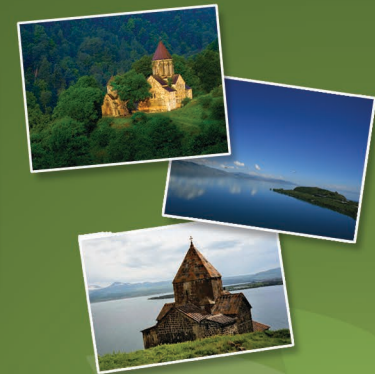
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DAY 6 Saghmosavank, Monument to The Armenian Alphabet, Amberd

Saghmosavank is a 13th century Monastery built on the edge of the Qasakh River canyon with breathtaking views. **The Armenian alphabet** was created in 406 A. D. This unique alphabet is used by Armenians and has been for 16 centuries. In 2006 a special monument was built to celebrate the 1600th anniversary of the Armenian alphabet. **Amberd Fortress** was built in 10th century.

DAY 7 Free Day - Shopping at the Flea Market

DAY 8 Departure

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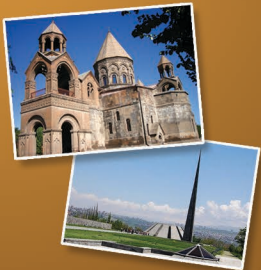


10 DAY TOUR

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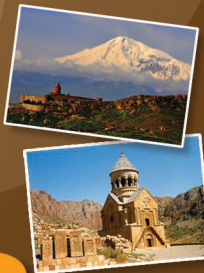


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DAY 4 Gandzasar, Shoushi

Gandzasar Monastery is in the northern part of Nagorno Karabakh, surrounded by mountains and forests. The Bishop of Gandzasar traditionally was the head of the church in Karabagh. The City of **Shoushi** was the center of Nagorno Karabakh and was one of the biggest and important cities in Southern Caucasus in 19th century.



DAY 5 Tatev, Jermuk, Yerevan

One of the masterpieces of Medieval Armenian Architecture is the **Tatev Monastery**, which is circa 1000 years old. It is located on the right bank of Vorotan canyon and is connected with the left bank by the longest cable car in the world. **Jermuk**, which is situated in the gorge of the Arpa River, is the most famous spa resort in Armenia. The elevation is more than 2000m above sea level. It's famous hot springs attract many people for treatment and recreation.

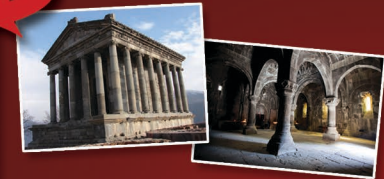


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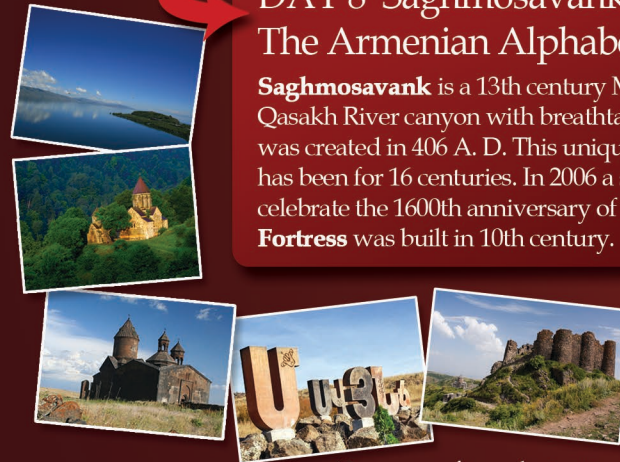
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FOOD & WINE TOUR

Yerevan, Echmiadzin, Sardarapat, Map Winery, Areni Winery, Areni Winery, Noravank, Lake Sevan, Garni, Geghard, Yerevan Cognac Factory, Dilijan, Haghartsin, Lake Sevan, Armenia Winery, Perch Proshyan's Museum, Saghmosavank, Qursi, Genocide Memorial, Noy Winery, Tumanyan Pandok, Matenadaran, Farewell party in Afrikyan's Tavern

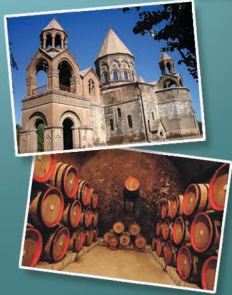
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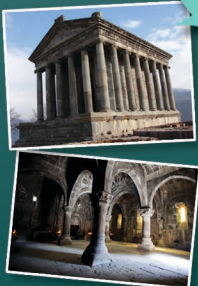
DAY 2 Echmiadzin, Sardarapat, Map winery

In the year 301 A. D. Armenia became the first official Christian country in the world. The **Echmiadzin Cathedral** has been the religious centre of all Armenians for 17 centuries. In 1918 the young Armenian army and militia managed to stop the Turkish army at the **Sardarapat Battle** Field though the quantity of Turkish troops was much larger. The **MAP winery** was founded in 1942. The whole cycle of wine and brandy making is based on classical technologies. Dinner is organized at the Armenian Unity Cross.



DAY 3 Areni Winery, Noravank

The **Areni Winery** is a young winery in Vayots Dzor region. The majority of their products are exported to Russia. **Noravank** is a 13th century monastery located on the edge of a canyon of astounding beauty.



DAY 4 Garni, Geghard, Yerevan Cognac Factory

Garni is a Hellenistic style pagan temple built in the 1st century A.D. **Geghard** is a 13th century cave monastery where the holy lance that pierced the body of Christ was kept. **ARARAT brandies** are produced by **Yerevan Brandy Company**. ARARAT is the most famous and successful brand of Armenian brandy in the world. Dinner is served in the Ararat Hall, with a live demonstration in Armenian cooking.



DAY 5 Dilijan, Haghartsin, Sevan

Haghartsin is a 13th century monastery located near the resort town of **Dilijan**. **Lake Sevan** is one of the few large lakes in the world at a high altitude of 1900m above sea level. There is a fantastic view over the lake from the Monastery of Sevan built in the 9th century. Dinner is served with fish.



DAY 6 Armenia Winery, Perch Proshyan's Museum, Saghmosavank, Qursi

"**Armenia Wine**" is the largest Armenian winery. The factory produces Armenian wine as well as cognac and vodka, and has it's own array of vineyards.

DAY 7 Genocide Memorial, Noy Winery, Tumanyan Pandok, Matenadaran, Farewell party at Afrikyan's Pandok

On the Tsitsernakaberd Hill the **Genocide Memorial** was erected in 1967 to commemorate the victims of the Armenian Genocide. The most unique and largest collection of manuscripts are displayed in the **Matenadaran Museum**. **Noy Winery** - one of the largest wineries in Armenia is located on the grounds of the former Yerevan Citadel.



DAY 8 Departure

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