



## ARMENIA (Autumn & Winter Package) 5 DAYS 4 NIGHTS



This is a destination where you will be intrigued by history, awed by monuments, amazed by the landscape and charmed by down-to-earth locals... travelling here is as rewarding as it is revelatory".

Trip Highlight Day 2: Yerevan City tour Day 3: Tsakhkadzor - Sevan - Dilijan Day 4: Aragats - Saghmoavank - Alphabet Alley

Package is quoted in USD per person in a Twin / Double room and includes:

- 04-Night accommodation at the hotel of your choice in Yerevan
- Bed & Breakfast basis
- 🖶 Transfer: Airport hotel Airport
- Four with English speaking driver
- Travel insurance covering Covid
- I Validity: November Y24 till February Y25 (Excluding Dec 26<sup>th</sup> 2024 till Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> 2025)
- Entrance fees are excluded and must be paid directly on location if any
- $\odot$  Package excludes airline ticket

Star	Hotel Name	Pack Price	
4	Ani Grand Hotel	\$	491
4	Yerevan Place Hotel	\$	491
4	Paris	\$	507
4	Doubletree by Hilton	\$	513

#### Important Notices:

- Prices are subject to change according to Availability at the Time of Booking.
- The Itinerary or activities might be subject to change in light of logistic and/or technical issues.
- In case the mentioned hotel is unavailable, then alternate hotel of similar category will be provided.
- Package price excludes City tax and must be paid Directly at the hotels
- Package price excludes entrance fees to monuments or museums when not mentioned
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## ITINERARY:

Day 1: Arrival to Yerevan, meet & assist at airport. Transfer to the hotel for overnight. Day 2: YEREVAN CITY TOUR



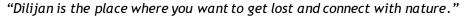
- Breakfast then Walking Tour of the Pink-Capital. Most of its buildings are garnished with a pink shade of "tuf" stone which is quarried in Armenia.
- Head towards the GUM Market (dried fruits, nuts, sweets); Yerevan City Hall; Mashtots Avenue; Marshal Baghramian avenue, one of the main arteries of the city and named after World War II Soviet army marshal Hovhannes Baghramyan; Presidential Residence; National Assembly; Mother Armenia statue symbolizes peace through strength when prominent female figures such as Sose Mayrig and others took up arms to help men against Turkish troops.
- Free Time for Lunch.
- Visit the Cascade and Opera. Stroll along the North Avenue to Abovyan Street, then head to the Republic Square. Back to hotel.
  - <u>Notes to See</u>
- Gaze through the centuries at the ruins of Erebuni Fortress erected in 782 BC, Erebuni Museum built 29 years before the Eternal City of Rome.
- Visit the impressive monument, the Tsitsernakaberd Memorial of the Genocide Victims of 1915.
- Visit Matenadaran one of the biggest depositors of ancient manuscripts.



### Day 3: TSAKHKADZOR - SEVAN - DILIJAN

- Breakfast at hotel. Trip to Tsakhkadzor "Valley of Flowers", located in one of the most beautiful areas of the country
  and surrounded by forests on the eastern slope of Mt. Tsaghkuniats. It is considered to be one of the most popular
  winter resorts of Armenia, situated on Teghenis Mountain. It is surrounded with virginal woods and alpine meadows.
- The ski resort Tsakhkadzor is located in the Kotayk Province. For skiing and snowboarding, there are 27 km of slopes,
   6 lifts. The winter sports area is situated between the elevations of 1,966 and 2,819 m.
- Free Time for Lunch.
- <u>Notes to See</u>
- Kecharis Monastery, 11<sup>th</sup> century Kecharis monastery. The monastery includes four 4 churches and ruins of the mausoleum
  of Grigorius Pahlavuni. Sevanavank monastery beholds a stunning depiction of Jesus Christ made by the rarest crossstones. Return to Yerevan.
- En route, visit Lake Sevan, "the pearl of Armenia", situated at an altitude of almost 2000m above sea level. It is one of Europe's highest altitude fresh-water lakes, ringed by dramatic mountains.
- Journey to Dilijan the Switzerland of Armenia.
   Dilijan is known for its beautiful forest landscapes, rich biodiversity, medicinal mineral springs and unique cultural monuments. Diverse hiking trails through green forests, isolated monasteries and lead to the picturesque Parz Lake.







Day 4: ARAGATS TILL SNOW - SAGHMOAVANK - THE ALLEY OF ALPHABET



- Breakfast at hotel. Journey to Aragats mount. If the road is open, will visit lake Kari.
- Continue to Saghmosavank monastery.
- Visit the Alley of Armenian Letters (Alphabet Alley), built on Mount Aragats' slopes, in honor to the 1,600<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the creation of Armenian alphabet. This monument is unique not only in Armenia, but all around the World. Back to Yerevan.

Notes:

- Mount Aragats (Armenian: Upwquub, pronounced [ara'gats]) is an isolated four-peaked volcano massif in Armenia. Its northern summit, at 4,090 m above sea level, is the highest point of the Lesser Caucasus and Armenia.
- The Saghmosavank is a 13th-century Armenian monastic complex located in the village of Saghmosavan in the Aragatsotn Province of Armenia. Saghmosavank Monastery stands on the edge of the deepest part of the Kasakh gorge (200 m). From this picturesque place you can also see Mounts Ararat, Aragats and Ara. The history of the monastery begins in the 4th century, when the first Armenian Catholicos Gregory the Illuminator built a church on this site and turned it into an epiccopal cee. We teaches as almost to the prests so the prests of the principle.

a church on this site and turned it into an episcopal see. He teaches psalms to the priests, so the psalms would continuously sound in the church. This is where the name Saghmosavank (monastery of psalms) came from.

To celebrate 1,600 years of Armenian alphabet, created by Mesrop Mashtots, the 39 letters are scattered across the rocky plain by the side of the road.

Nestled on the eastern slopes of majestic Mount Aragats, Armenian Alphabet Alley offers a unique journey through the heart of Armenian language and culture. More than just a tourist destination, it's a monument to the enduring spirit of a people and their devotion to their written word. The monument includes sculptures of the 39 letters of the Armenian alphabet and monuments of Armenian greats.

**Day 5**: Breakfast then transfer to Zvartnots International Airport to journey back home.





# ARMENIAHISTORY

Armenia is a land of mysticism that will at once capture your imagination evoking past centuries, while awakening your senses to the present.

Armenia is a country with ancient history and rich culture. It is one of the oldest countries in the world. Scientific research, numerous archaeological findings and old manuscripts prove that the **Armenian Highlands** are the very **Cradle of Civilization**. In fact, the world's oldest leather shoe (5,500 years old), sky observatory (7,500 years old), depictions of agriculture (7,500 years old) and wine-making facility (6,100 years old), were all found in the territory of Armenia.

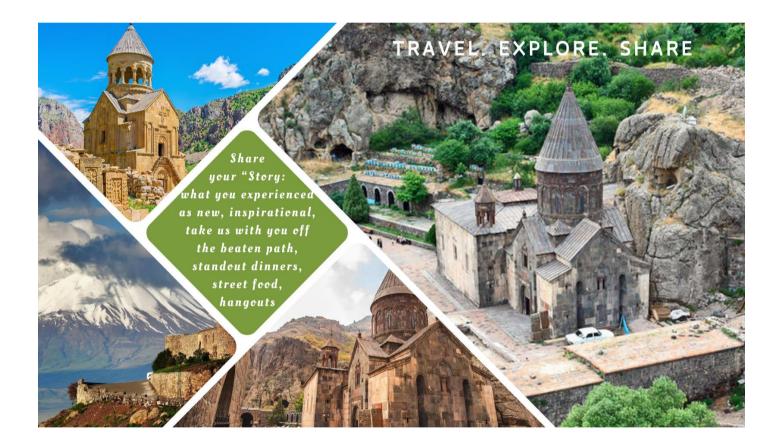
The current Republic of Armenia makes up only a small part of what the historical lands used to hold. Armenians are native to the land of the Armenian Highlands which covers over 400,000 km<sub>2</sub>.

Since prehistoric times, the territory of Armenia has been populated by different tribes. The first evidence of **human** settlement in Armenia dates back to 90,000 BC. Further findings in caves and stone inscriptions are a proof of human settlement in Armenia through Paleolithic period.

Yerevan is a delightful capital. Its wide, leafy boulevards are lined with cafés and wine bars where Armenians like to sit chatting late into the night.

Look up to the horizon and there, towering over everything, is the magnificent, awe-inspiring snow-capped peak of Mount Ararat, 5,165m high.

Did you know? Armenians produce what they say is the best brandy in the world, Ararat brandy. Armenia is home to 345 of Europe's estimated 530 bird species.



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