

# Five Days in Armenia: Exploring the Country's History, Culture, and Beauty

Welcome to Armenia! This is your first date with this incredible country, rich in historical and cultural landmarks, unique architecture, delightful cuisine, and, of course, hospitable and friendly people. Just like with any first date, we don't get a second chance to make a first impression, so we'll do our best to make you fall in love with Armenia right from the start.

#### Day 1: Arrival and Hotel Check-In

When you get off the plane at Zvartnots Airport in Yerevan, get ready for a warm welcome. We will meet you and transport you to your hotel.

#### Day 2: Yerevan City Tour

Today we are going to enjoy our city tour which will start right from your hotel and will include the Republic Square, Opera House, Cascade Complex, the statue of Mother Armenia, and other notable landmarks of our city.

After the excursion you'll have free time for rest and lunch.

Upon request, we can organize a tour with a tasting at the legendary Ararat Brandy Factory.

Meals Included: Breakfast Overnight in Yerevan.

# Day 3: Garni Temple - Geghard Monastery - Symphony of Stones - Vernissage Market

Our journey continues as we board the coach bound for the village of Garni. Here, a marvel awaits – the only surviving Greek-style pagan temple in Armenia, constructed in the 1st century AD. This remarkable site resonates with a unique energy; try to feel its presence!

Next, we'll travel to the Azat River gorge, where the natural wonder known as the Symphony of Stones awaits. Feel the invigorating breeze from the river as you capture the beauty of the "basalt organs" in your photographs.

Later, we'll have lunch at the village Garni with the local family.

Following the lunch, we'll explore Geghard Monastery, a UNESCO heritage site. This 13th-century wonder is partially carved into massive rock.

Afterwards, we'll return to the city, making a final stop at the Vernissage Flea Market.

Meals Included: Breakfast / Lunch Overnight in Yerevan.

#### Day 4: Lake Sevan - Dilijan - Haghartsin Monastery

Today, our journey continues as we board our coach towards Lake Sevan, affectionately called "our sea" by the locals. Lake Sevan ranks among the world's largest high-altitude freshwater lakes. Our first stop leads us to the lake's peninsula. Here we will visit Sevanavank Monastery, where you will enjoy an amazing view of the serene lake and the towering mountains.

Then the road will lead us to Tavush, the greenest region of Armenia. As we navigate the winding serpentine roads towards beautiful town Dilijan you will enjoy captivating views of Dilijan National Park. Then we'll have a short stop at the old town of Dilijan to visit some craftsmen of the town.

Then our journey continues to Haghartsin Monastery, nestled amidst lush green forests. This white beauty is home to a trove of captivating stories. And while you're here, be sure not to miss the opportunity to savor the local monastery honey!

After the excursion we'll enjoy a delicious lunch at a local restaurant.

Meals Included: Breakfast / Lunch Overnight in Yerevan.

#### Day 5: Departure Day

This is our final day in Armenia! Today we are going to check-out by 12:00 PM. We hope that we managed to fill your days with good emotions, lasting memories, knowledge, fun, and a desire to explore more. We do not say goodbye; we just say, "See you soon!"

Meals included: Breakfast.

Transfer from the hotel to the airport.

Attention! If desired, you can book additional excursions on the first and last day. For details, please contact us.

The cost per person in a double room is \$440. For single occupancy, please contact us.

## The price includes:

- 3\* hotel in the center of Yerevan with breakfast
- Airport-hotel-airport transfers
- Transport throughout the entire tour
- Guide services
- All the entry tickets
- 2 lunches at delicious restaurants and authentic guesthouses
- Refreshments and water

## The price excludes:

- Airplane tickets
- Any other expenses not mentioned
- Tips for the staff