

Beautiful Armenia



DAY 1:Arrival in Yerevan:

Arrival at the Zvartnots airport. Transfer to the hotel. Overnight in Yerevan.

DAY 2:City tour:

The contemporary capital of Armenia is 13th and is one of the oldest cities of the world founded in 782 BC. During tour visit Erebouni Museum of the History of the Foundation of Yerevan which stands at the foot of the Arin Berd hill, on top of which the Urartian Fortress Erebouni has been constructed. The next visit is Yerevan History Museum which throw light on the history of the city beginning from ancient times up to our days. Visiting Tsisernakaberd Memorial Complex. Return to the hotel. Overnight in Yerevan.

DAY 3:Yerevan - Ejmiatsin - Zvartnots - Yerevan:

Breakfast at the hotel. Morning visit to Matenadaran-one of unique Institutes of Ancient Manuscripts in the world. Excursion to centuries-old monuments Ejmiatsin andZvartnots listed on UNESCO World Heritage list. Visiting the churches of 3 Virgins: centre-domed cruciform church of Saint Hripsimeh (618), domical basilica of Saint Gayaneh (630) and 'domed gallery' type church of Shoghakat (1694). The Cathedral of Ejmiatsin(303) is an official residence of Armenian Catholicos. Visiting Zvartnots - a Temple of Vigil Forces. Return to Yerevan. Overnight in Yerevan.

DAY 4:Yerevan - Khor Virap - Noravank - Areni - Jermuk - Yerevan:

Breakfast at the hotel. First trip to Khor Virap the importance of which is connected with Gregory the Illuminator, who introduced Christianity in Armenia. On the way to Khor Virap you can enjoy the spectacular view of the sacred Ararat Mountain- an immortal symbol of Armenia. Then excursion to Noravank situated among amazing sheer rocks on the bench of a twisty gorge. After that you'll enjoy

your dinner in a grotto with a spirit of mystery and antiquity. On your way back You will visit Areni church. The village of Areni is famous also for its excellent wine, which You are welcome to taste. Drive to Yerevan. Overnight in Yerevan.

DAY 5:Yerevan - Garni - Gegard - Yerevan:

Breakfast at the hotel. Visiting History Museum of Armenia, where you will get acquaintance with the large collection of materials connected with history of Armenia and ancient eastern countries in the Armenian Highland. Drive to Garni temple(1st A.D.) which is the only "witness" of Hellenistic Epoch in the territory of CIS. After numerous Roman attacks, the temple was reconstructed and dedicated to Mithra, the God of Sun. Continue tour to Gegard Monastery(12-13thcentury..). Geghard initially known simply as Irivank (Cave Monastery). The name refers to the biblical lance used by Roman soldier to pierce the Christ's body. Hundreds of Khachkars and caves are built in the rocks surrounding the Monastery. Geghard and the Upper Azat Valley are inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List. Return to Yerevan with stop at the Charents's Arch. It is from here that the Greatest Armenian poet of 20th century. admired the view of the double-peaked Ararat. Drive to Hotel. Overnight in Yerevan.

DAY 6:DEPARTURE:

After breakfast checkout from hotel and transfer to the airport. Tour Ends



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