

4 DAYS

Essence of Azerbaijan



1ST DAY- ARRIVAL. BAKU CITY TOUR

The mysterious city of Baku, which combines the unity of ancient and modernity, has become an area of interest for many tourists. Our first destination will be the sights of the attractive city of Baku, which is of interest to both local and international community.

Baku Boulevard, known for its magnificent fountains and greenery, stretches along the coast of the Caspian Sea. Known as the most crowded area of Baku in the evenings, you will be surrounded by amazing street music on the boulevard. Thus, a pleasant and warm atmosphere is created in this tourist area of Baku. From the highest spot of the Baku "Highland Park", you will see major buildings of charming Baku, such as Flame Towers, Natinal Flag Square, Crystall Hall, etc.



The 15th Century **Shirvanshahs Palace**, registered in UNESCO in 2000 and recognized as one of the masterpieces of world architecture, is considered one of Baku's oldest attributes.

One of the most beautiful tourist attractions in Baku is the **Maiden Tower**. This castle gives the city special beauty and grandeur. The 29-meter-high tower was built in the 12th century architectural style. There are various stories about the castle on which the ancient paintings are carved on the walls. These stories you will learn from our guide.

One of the sights that attracts tourists to Azerbaijan is the **History Museum**. Here is a piece of the main history of Azerbaijan. The museum consists of 3 parts. Part 1 preserves human bones and tombs with medieval items. The second part presents personal belongings of famous people of the country, and the third part presents items belonging to the Nagiyev family.

2ND DAY- GABALA TOUR

Thereafter, be ready for the exciting trip to the Gabala. On the way to Gabala you will have a short stop near the **Diri Baba Mouseleum**. The monument is one of the most interesting examples of medieval Azerbaijan architecture due to its original architectural form, proportionality, elegance of decorative elements, harmony with natural surroundings and other qualities.

After the reaching Gabala, you will enjoy the panoramic view of this village. One of the scenic lakes **Nohurgol**, surrounded by the magnificent mountains and the woods that lay like a carpet on these mountains, will definitely admire you. And of course it wouldn't be the lake without a good long hike — so to walk off lunch you will follow our professional guide, by which time the mist has cleared to reveal breath-taking views.

Nij, the largest village in Gabala, known for its elegance, charming homes and large courtyards, is 100 square kilometers and is known for its productive



gardens. Most of the products, including fruits and nuts grown here, are marketed. There are ancient Albanian churches with inscriptions on the buildings in Udinese, which were built in the 17th century. We will not forget to visit the **local market (bazaar)**, where the all blessings of the fertile land are sold.

The **Tufandag Mountain Resort** has all the facilities for winter and summer tourism. You can go to the ski center via the wing line and enjoy a relaxing stay in the gorgeous views of nature. You can see via cable car the whole city of Gabala on the mountain slopes, 2.5 km long and 1660 m above sea level.

One of the eye-catching destinations **Gabaland Entertainment Center** (Caucasus Park) is the largest entertainment center not only in Gabala, but also in the region. With a total area of 16 hectares, this huge amusement park consists of more than 40 recreational facilities - attractions, carousels, catamaran artificial lakes, pools, water parks, football, basketball, volleyball courts, and carting.

3RD DAY- SHAKI TOUR

The ancient city of Shaki, ranked among the 18 attractions of the world, is located on the Silk Road, and will impress you with its charming nature.

More than a hundred historical sites in Shaki are preserved by the government. Speaking of historical monuments in Shaki, it is impossible not to mention the **Sheki Khan Palace** here. The main facade of the building consists of a network of windows and doors, which are divided into small, geometric figures that have no analogues in the world, and are decorated with different colored glass. Most interestingly, no adhesive was used in the interior decorations of the building. One of the magnificient buildings is **Shaki Carvansarai**, which is one of the most historic buildings in Shaki that attracts tourists' attention. In ancient times, traders from the Middle East were mainly engaged in caravan trading.



Shaki is considered to be the center of Greater Caucasus Albania, and the famous **Kish Alban Temple** (Church) is one of the immemorial monuments that can become your object of interest.

The House Shekikhanovs, a historical building aged about 300, is considered one of the unique pearls of Sheki. The most of the room, except the exterior wall, is decorated with a "network" of ornaments.

When you travel to Shaki, it is impossible to end your journey without tasting the famous **Piti dish**. With its original cooking and eating method, Piti will lead you to the heights of gastronomic bliss. It takes approximately 7-8 hours to prepare this dish and the taste of Piti you can not be found in the cuisine of any other country in the world.

Shaki is also famous of its own sweet **Pakhlava**. This tasty sweet is attracted tourists to this area. Make sure to try the Pakhlava sweet in Sheki (also called as Sheki Halva). It would be a sin to go back without tasting Pakhlava.

4TH DAY- DEPARTURE

After having breakfast at the hotel in Baku and free time about 2 or 3 hours, you will be transferred to the airport.



HIGHLIGHT

DAY 1: Transfer from Airport to hotel

Accommodation in the hotel

Baku city tour

DAY 2: Gabala tour

DAY 3: Shakitour

DAY 4: Departure

1ST OPTION

Riviera Hotel, Baku, Standard Double Room (2 Nights) Kaspia City Hotel, Gabala, Standard Double Room (1 Night)

Nº OF PEOPLE	<u>01</u>	<u>02</u>	<u>03</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>05</u>	<u>06</u>	<u>07</u>	<u>08</u>	<u>09</u>	<u>10</u>
PP PRICE IN USD	<u>739</u>	<u>474</u>	<u>430</u>	<u>374</u>	<u>342</u>	<u>320</u>	<u>310</u>	<u>297</u>	<u>287</u>	<u>280</u>

Single Supplement: 60 \$

2ND OPTION

Rich Hotel, Baku, Standard Double Room (2 Nights)
Qafqaz Karvansaray Hotel, Gabala, Standard Double Room (1 Night)



Nº OF PEOPLE	<u>01</u>	<u>02</u>	<u>03</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>05</u>	<u>06</u>	<u>07</u>	<u>08</u>	<u>09</u>	<u>10</u>
PP PRICE IN USD	<u>787</u>	<u>522</u>	<u>479</u>	<u>423</u>	<u>390</u>	<u>368</u>	<u>359</u>	<u>343</u>	<u>336</u>	<u>329</u>

Single Supplement: 123 \$

INCLUSIONS

- Accommodation in twin rooms
- Daily breakfast at the hotel
- Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- Professional English-speaking tour guide and driver
- Taxi Fees to Mud Volcanoes and Kish Albanian Temple (Church)
- Entrance Fees (Shirvanshah Palace, Maiden Tower, Heydar Aliyev Center, Shaki Khan Palace, Kish Albanian Temple)

EXCLUSIONS

- Personal expenses
- Single room supplement
- Optional activities
- Lunch and dinner during the tour
- Cable car activity supplement in Gabala (16 \$)

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