

# 4 DAYS

# Nature and Culture in 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- GOBUSTAN-ABSHERON PENINSULA TOUR

Second morning of trip is opened with visiting historical Absheron and Gobustan. Exploring natural and architectural sights in Absheron Peninsula and Gobustan, you will gain invaluable information about Azerbaijan's history.

Our first stop will be Bibiheybat Mosque, which is known as one of the most ancient mosques in Baku. After arrival to Gobustan, you will visit **Petroglyphs museum**, **Mud volcanoes and** the **Gobustan National Park** in this area.

The most of Mud volcanoes (350 of 800) is in Azerbaijan, especially in Gobustan area. They began their activity in the territory of Azerbaijan 25 million years ago.

Then we will continue our trip by visiting most famous fire temple - **Temple of the Fire** and **Fire Mountain in Yanardag**, which has a ten meters long wall of



fire, that never extinguishes and is burning continuously alongside the edge of the hill. This breathtaking view at the foot of the mountain will definitely amaze you.

#### **3RD DAY- SHAMAKHI-LAHIJ-GABALA TOUR**

On the way to Shamakhi 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.

Shamakhi Juma Mosque, one of the oldest Muslim temples in the South Caucasus and the Middle East, was built in 743 in honor of the arrival of his brother Muslim ibn Valiyad to Azerbaijan during the reign of Khalifa Khalid ibn Valiyad. The domes are decorated with ornaments in ancient architectural style. The corridor of the mosque is remarkable for its unique design. With your guide informing you in detail, you will be left with a pleasant and unforgettable experience from this place.

Only four of the tombs in the **Seven Dome Tombs (Yeddigumbez Kompleksi)**, where Shirvan khans and their families are buried, have reached us today (XVIII century).

Lahij village is located in Ismayilli, on the southern slopes of the Greater Caucasus Mountain Range at a height of 1211 meters above sea level. Lahij is a notable place with its beautiful handicrafts traditions, particularly related to copper. The village's carpet and rug crafts are very popular in the South Caucasus. Lahij has an old sewage system (built 1000 – 1500 years ago).



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.

#### **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: Gobustan-Absheron Peninsula tour

DAY 3: Shamakhi-Lahij-Gabala tour

**DAY 4:** Departure



1<sup>ST</sup> OPTION

Gorgud Hotel, Baku, Standard Double Room (3 Nights)

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>626</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>361</u>	312	<u>283</u>	<u>263</u>	<u>254</u>	<u>243</u>	<u>236</u>	<u>229</u>

Single Supplement: 62 \$

### **2ND OPTION**

Central Baku Hotel, Baku, Standard Double Room (3 Nights)

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>640</u>	<u>409</u>	<u>374</u>	<u>326</u>	<u>297</u>	<u>277</u>	<u>268</u>	<u>257</u>	<u>249</u>	<u>243</u>

Single Supplement: 58 \$



#### **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
- Entrance Fees (Shirvanshah Palace, Gobustan Museum, Fire Temple (Ateshgah), Fire Mountain (Yanardag))

## **EXCLUSIONS**

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

**Click here to Submit Enquiry** 

(BT-08/10/2019)