8 Days Classic Azerbaijan Tour

Day 1 - Baku

Arrival in Baku: After passing passport control Greetings by Turizm.Az representative Transfer to hotel

Check-in at hotel

Day at leisure at hotel

18:00 Meeting with tour guide at hotel's lobby and proceed for Panoramic tour - **Panoramic view of Baku city** and Baku Bay from Highland Park - Martyrs Alley, marvelous view of Flame Towers

Continue with Crystal Hall (was held 2012 Eurovision song contest) Dinner at local restaurant

Back to hotel

Overnight in Baku

Day 2 - Baku City Tour

Breakfast at the hotel

Visit **Old city – Icheri Sheher:** Entrance gates of Old Baku; fortification tower; Caravanserai complexes – Bukhara and Multan; *Maiden Tower from outside (under UNESCO protection); old mosques; bathes; Miniature Book Museum; Shirvanshahs' Palace (under UNESCO protection); narrow small cobbled stone streets

Continue with **Nizami Street** – a large pedestrian and shopping street in downtown Baku

Lunch at the national restaurant

Visiting National Carpet museum

Visiting **National Museum of History of Azerbaijan**: the former mansion of Azerbaijani oil magnate and philanthropist H.Z.Tagiyev

Walking on Baku Boulevard, Boat Tour on windless weather Dinner at national restaurant Back to the hotel **Overnight in Baku**



Day 3 - Baku - Gabala

Breakfast at the hotel. Check-out from the hotel Passage to Baku – Gabala route: on the way visit to Diri Baba Mausoleum in Maraza

Continue to **Juma Mosque, Mausoleum of Yeddi – Gumbez** in Shamakhi city

Lunch at the national restaurant

Drive through Girdimanchay River's canyon to visit **ancient Lahij village**. Visiting workshops of blacksmith, potteries, carpet weaving shop, cobbled stone streets. Lahij was one of the main points on Great Silk Road.

Visiting **Nohur Mountain Lake** in Nohurgishlag village in Gabala **Arrival in Gabala:** Check-in at hotel

Visiting ***Tufandag Mountain** with mountain cable car

Dinner at the national restaurant

Back to the hotel **Overnight in Gabala**



Day 4 – Gabala – Sheki

Breakfast at the hotel. Check-out from the hotel Passage to Gabala – Sheki route: on the way visiting Chotari Albanian Church and Udi house in Nij village

Arrival in Sheki: Check-in at hotel Visiting **Kish village**: the first church of Caucasus

Master Class of local " qutab and Sheki piti"(traditional cuisine of ancient Sheki city) and Lunch at the national restaurant

Visiting **Old Sheki**: medieval fortress, The Palace of Shaki Khans – a summer residence of Shaki Khans, Historical Museum; Round temple (outside); handicrafts workshop of Shebaka, national musical instruments', takalduz Continue with **Sheki Caravanserai** – a historical monument in Sheki.

Dinner at the national restaurant Back to the hotel **Overnight in Sheki**



Day 5 - Sheki - Mingachevir - Ganja

Breakfast at the hotel. Check-out from the hotel Visiting local **Eastern Bazaar** of Sheki

Passage to Sheki – Ganja route: on the way visiting Migachevir city on Kur River Side.

Lunch at the national restaurant

Visiting **Helenendorf** - former German colony settlement from Baden-Wurttemberg: German Lutheran Church

Wine degustation in Ganja "Goygol Winery" Helenendorf

Arrival in Ganja: Check – in at hotel

Walking tour in Ganja city: visiting caravansary; Shah Abbas Mosque (XVII cc.); Javad Khan Mausoleum; Azerbaijan First Parliament Building (today Agriculture University); Khan's Garden; Aleksandr Nevski church

Visiting bottle house (outside)

Dinner at the national restaurant Back to the hotel **Overnight in Ganja**



Day 6 - Ganja - Gobustan - Baku

Breakfast at the hotel. Check-out from the hotel Passage to Ganja – Baku Route: on the way visiting Mausoleum of Nizami Ganjavi

Lunch at the national restaurant Visiting **Mud Volcanoes near Gobustan**

On the way visiting **Mud Volcanoes near Gobustan** – Mud volcano is landform created by the eruption of mud, water and gases. Several geological processes may cause the formation of mud volcanoes. Mud volcanoes do not produce hot lava. The Earth continuously exudes a mud – like substance.

Visiting **Gobustan National Park** (under UNESCO protection): primary people carved their daily life styles on rocks. There are more than 6000 carvings on the rocks near the Caspian Sea Side.

Dinner at local restaurant

Arrival in Baku **Overnight in Baku**



Day 7 – Absheron Peninsula tour

Breakfast at the hotel

Absheron Peninsula Sightseeing tour:

Fire Worshippers' Temple – Ateshgah: The temple was built over a pocket of natural gas that fuelled a vent providing an 'eternal' fire which Zoroastrians used to worship.

Visiting **Qala Archaeological and Ethnographic Museum Complex:** the open air museum where monuments are preserved in the territory of the Qala Village. Petroglyphs covering the period from 3rd and 2nd millennia B.C. to the Middle Ages, gavaldash, ceramics, domestic and adornment items, weapons and coins, conserved remnants of an ancient residential complex etc. found in the Absheron Peninsula were placed at the Complex.

Lunch at local restaurant

Visiting Ramana Castle (outside)

Continue with **"Yanardag" – "Fire Mountain":** a natural gas fire which blazes continuously on a hillside on the Absheron Peninsula near Baku which itself is known as the "land of fire." Flames jet into the air 3 meters from a thin, porous sandstone layer

Visiting **Oil Derrick Forest –** the guide will give you information about oil history of Azerbaijan

Visiting the Heydar Aliyev Center (from outside) Farewell dinner at the national restaurant

Back to the hotel Overnight in Baku



Day 8 - Baku

Breakfast at the hotel. Check-out from the hotel Departure to the airport. End of Program

Prices are per person in DBL / Twin room

Period	10 Pax	SGL Supplement
Jan – Dec 2020	USD 1049	USD 188
	15 Pax	SGL Supplement
	USD 948	USD 188
	20 Pax	SGL Supplement
	USD 881	USD 188

Prices included service	Prices not-included services
 Airport - hotel - airport transfer A/C comfortable transport Mercedes 403 bus (45 seats) throughout the tour Professional English speaking guide throughout the tour Entrance fee to museums Cable ride in Tufandag Mountain resort Local transport to Mud Volcanoes Local transport to Lahij Village Local transport to Kish temple 1 x Bottle of water (0,5 L) p/p per day Breakfast at the hotel 6x Lunch and 6x Dinner at national restaurant 1 Gala Dinner (National Music, National Dance) Wine degustation in Goygol Winery Helenendorf 	 Prices not-included services Alcohol with meal Camera charge in museums if needed Tips Any other extra fee which is not shown in the program
 Accommodation: 4 x overnight at 4* Nobel Hotel or similar category in Baku 1 x overnight at 4* Karvansaray Hotel or similar category in Gabala 1 x overnight at 4* Sheki Saray Hotel or similar category in Sheki 1 x overnight at 4* Vego Hotel or similar category in Ganja 	

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