

Halal Tour to Armenia – 7 Days

Key information

Duration: 8 days / 7 nights

Best season: April - November

Tour type: Small group / individual (starting from 2 persons)

What's included:

Airport transfers, accommodation in hotels 7 nights (3 * / double rooms), meals – full board (in Arabic restaurants or special halal menu), 1 bottle of water per day (0.5lt.), all transfers in air conditioned vehicles, English speaking guide service for 6 days, all admission fees

What's not included:

Flights, visa fee, medical insurance

Itinerary in brief

Day 1 - Arrival - Yerevan City Tour

Day 2 - Geghard - Garni

Day 3 - Khor Virap - Noravank - Goris

Day 4 - Tatev - Jermuk

Day 5 - Selim Caravanserai - Lake Sevan - Dilijan

Day 6 - Vanadzor - Mount Arargats - Saghmosavank - Yerevan

Day 7 - Free day

Day 8 - Departure



Detailed itinerary

Day 1

After your arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel in Yerevan and checked in. You will start your trip with a city tour around the ancient capital of Armenia. According to the cuneiform inscription of Urartian King Argishti Yerevan was built in 782 BC. Some decades ago Alexander Tamanyan, the general architect of Yerevan draw the contemporary masterplan of the city which we can see today. The warm smiles of its inhabitants give a unique charm to this eternal city ancient and so young at the same time. One of the stops will be in Matenadaran Museum, which houses over 17,000 ancient and medieval manuscripts, making it the significant bearer of one of the largest collections in the world. Next, you will visit the Blue Mosque built in 1764-1768 by Husayn Ali Khan. The tour will end with the visit to the Armenian Genocide memorial complex dedicated to the victims of Genocide executed in 1915.

Overnight: *Hotel in Yerevan*

Day 2

This day you will drive to the scenic canyon of the Azat River. The 7th-century Geghard Cave Monastery is located deep at the bottom of the canyon and is listed by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site. The monastery complex is carved from the adjacent mountain as well as partially built from the local basalt stones. The tour will continue to Garni village, where is located Garni temple known for its unique architecture in Hellenistic style. Garni's complex also consists of a royal bath which exhibits a fascinating hypocaust along with a well-preserved original mosaic tiling.

Overnight: *Hotel in Yerevan*

Meals: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

Day 3

After breakfast, you will head to the south of Armenia to KhorVirap Monastery, a historic site located amidst the Ararat Valley. The monastery was built on the place of the royal prison in Artashat. Here in royal prison, Gregory the Illuminator suffered for 13 years for preaching Christianity in Armenia in the 3rd century. Nowhere else in Armenia you will see such an amazing view of the Biblical Ararat. You will continue through a narrow canyon to the valley of red rocks to Noravank Monastery. The overnight will be in Goris – a small town surrounded by beautiful cliffs and wooded hills.

Overnight: *Hotel in Goris*

Meals: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

Day 4

After breakfast, you will head to Tatev medieval monastery and university – the gem of Armenian medieval architecture located on the edge of the canyon. You will reach the monastery by the cable car which is the longest in the world and has the height of 320 m over deep Canyon of Vorotan River. The tour will continue to Jermuk – the resort town known for its healing mineral waters. In the town, you will visit the Water Gallery where one can try healing waters of different temperatures. You won't miss the popular natural sight of Jermuk – Jermuk Waterfall – second largest waterfall of Armenia.

Overnight: *Hotel in Jermuk*

Meals: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

Day 5

This day you will head to Lake Sevan, the “blue pearl of Armenia” and one of the highest freshwater lakes in the world located at about 2000 meters above sea level. The trip will continue to Dilijan, a lush town known as a spa resort. A stroll in the historical district will let you experience the atmosphere of the old town as it was in the 19th century. The imaginatively carved balconies so typical for the 19th century Dilijan display the region's historical love for fine woodwork.

Overnight: *Hotel in Dilijan*



Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 6

After breakfast at the hotel, you will head to Vanadzor town – the third largest city in Armenia and the administrative center of Lori region. The way will continue uphill to the Amberd fortress proudly standing on the foot of Mount Aragats which is the highest mountain in modern Armenia. Your next stop will be at the monument of Armenian Alphabet which was founded in 2005 to celebrate the 1600th anniversary of the alphabet foundation. This day you will also visit Saghmosavank Monastery located atop the yawning gorge carved by the Kasakh River. Amazing view of the canyon will open in front of you once you reach the monastery. In the evening you will be back to your hotel in Yerevan.

Overnight: Hotel in Yerevan

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 7

Free day in Yerevan for your leisure and shopping.

Overnight: Hotel in Yerevan

Meals: Breakfast

Day 8

Transfer to the airport, departure.





Booking terms and conditions

Once we received your application, confirmed all tour details with you, we will send a deposit invoice. After the deposit of 50-100 euro per person (depending on the tour price) is received, we will start your hotel reservation and other service booking and will send your Tour Voucher with all the trip details.

Payment Terms

After you have booked the tour, it is necessary to make a non-refundable deposit of 50-100 euros, which will provide our coordinators with the possibility to start organizing a trip (hotel reservation, food, transportation, etc.). Final payment could be made after your arrival on the spot. We reserve the right to cancel your booking and apply the relevant cancellation charges (detailed below) if we do not receive all payments at the due time.

Cancellation of the tour

If you or a member of your group wants to cancel the tour, please, inform our company as soon as possible in writing form. Please, note that the prepayment (50-100 euros) is non-refundable, however, you can use it throughout the year and book another tour. In this case, our company will have to charge an extra 100 euros for re-booking the hotel.

Rights and obligations

Tours provided by our company are planned for many months before its inception and are not the subject of change or cancellation. Under the obligation of forced circumstances (weather, holidays) we can make some changes in the itinerary, however, all that relates to services and attractions will remain unchanged.

Please note, that our tours require a minimum number of participants – 2 persons. We reserve the right to cancel the trip, if any tour will not have the minimum number of participants. We will inform you about the cancellation of the tour no later than 30 days before the start and will do the full refund of the amount paid, including the prepayment.

We also request immediately and promptly report all complaints and any claims during the tour. If possible, all problems will be solved. If the tourist does not report any complaint, the compensation will not be implemented.

Please, also note that the company AraraTour is not liable for services not included in the tour price. Our responsibility is limited only to the extent provided by our tour.

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