



# **GEORGIA**

## **EXCURSION 2019**

### **September 16 – September 29**

CACSEE EXCURSIONS is designed to provide you with in-depth insight into a country or region in Central Asia and the Caucasus.

Our cross-disciplinary educational program covers topics such as physical and economic geography, history and culture, agriculture, biology, nature protection and resource management.

Participants will receive certificates at the end of the excursion. Students may also receive **ECTS-Credits**.



Our field trip addresses students, and young scholars of Biology, Geography, Environmental Sciences, Agriculture, Forestry, and of Eastern European Studies.

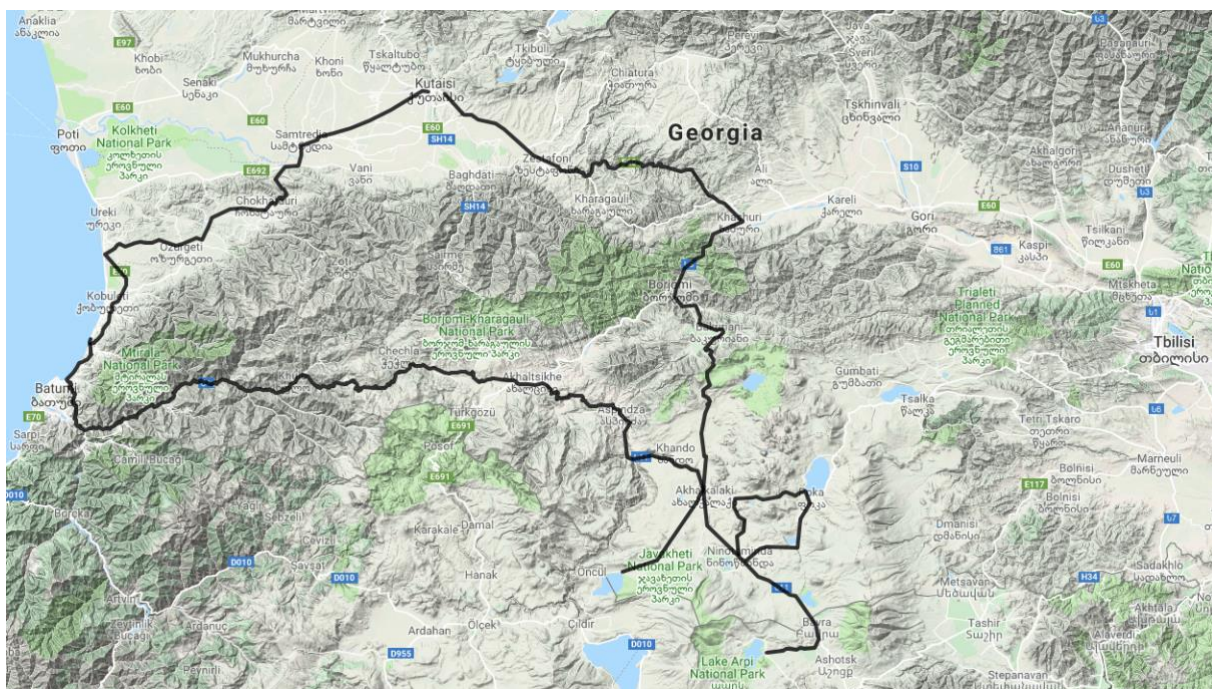
Environmentalists, Nature Lovers, Travelers and Adventurers of all ages are also most WELCOME!



## Route & Program

The excursion route and the draft of the program overview below are variable and may still change slightly. At this early stage of planning, we can not guarantee that all excursion destination points will be reached, especially due to adverse circumstances (weather, road conditions, etc.).

There is the possibility to target other places according to the interest profile of the group. Please note that not all stops are listed in the program overview.



Our route in Georgia is designed in close cooperation with WWF Caucasus, Kutaisi State University and Batumi State University, and local NGOs. It offers you a unique insight into the geography of Georgia, its natural landscapes, its cultural heritage and the region's present conditions in the framework of the global economy.



<b>Day</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>Camsite</b>
1	Arrival at <b>Kutaisi Airport</b> . Transfer to the campsite. Recreation & Adaptation.	Kutaisi
2	Drive to the campsite in <b>Uplistsikhe</b> . <i>History and Culture.</i>	Uplistsikhe
3	Daytrip to <b>Tbilisi</b> . Visiting the <b>WWF</b> -Office. <i>Caucasus Eco-Region.</i>	Uplistsikhe
4	Drive to the campsite in <b>Javakheti</b> .	Javakheti
5	Daytrip in <b>Javakheti National Park</b> . <i>Agriculture, Land Use, Nature Protection.</i>	Javakheti
6	Daytrip in <b>Lake Arpi National Park</b> . <i>Transboundary cooperation. Development Aid.</i>	Javakheti
7	Drive to the campsite in <b>Goderdzi</b> . Alpine Botanical Garden.	Goderdzi
8	Hiking in the surroundings. <i>Forestry and Land Use</i>	Goderdzi
9	Drive to the campsite in <b>Chaqui</b> .	Chaqui
10	Free day on the beach.	Chaqui
11	<b>Batumi Botanical Garden</b> or <b>Mtirala National Park</b> . <i>Botany, Forestry and Nature Protection.</i>	Chaqui
12	Drive to the campsite in <b>Kutaisi</b> .	Kutaisi
13	<b>Martvili Canyon</b> or <b>Prometheus Cave</b> . <i>Hydrology and Geomorphology.</i>	Kutaisi
14	Pack your bags and say Good Bye. Transfer to the <b>Kutaisi Airport</b> .	Kutaisi

This new route is drafted in order to skip the hotspots of tourism in Georgia and to provide the best possible educational program. We will particularly focus on international cooperation in planning and management of protected areas.

However, after our two-week excursion you will have a solid overview of Georgia's geography and tourism infrastructure, so can discover some further beautiful places in Georgia by yourself.

Of course, we will be glad to help you plan your own routes in Georgia after the end of the excursion.



## Organization & Logistics



### Accommodation

We usually camp at local farms and campsites. In some circumstances, it may be possible to rent tents and sleeping mats in Georgia. However, we strongly recommend bringing your own equipment.



### Transport

We offer cross-country busses or trucks for the transportation. They will be available during the whole duration of the excursion. This way we can stay flexible and will be able to offer different activities for smaller groups.



### Food

Local chefs and cooks will accompany the excursion. They will cook for us everyday. Of course, also **vegetarian or vegan**, if requested.

For day trips, picnics will be prepared. And in the evening we will gather around a campfire.



### Activities

The guided hikes in the mountains are not extreme tours and should be easily manageable for all participants under normal circumstances. In some areas, mountain hikes are somewhat more challenging due to their length and/or difference in altitude. This will be discussed in detail.



## Conditions of Participation

Participation costs apply for the specified duration and for a minimum participation of 20 persons. Due to changing costs for transportation and other services or in the case of a lower number of participants, the fee may increase by a maximum of 5%. The increase will be announced no later than one month prior to departure.

Standard price	€ <b>960</b>
PhD Students, Teachers	€ <b>860</b>
Students	€ <b>760</b>

**5% off, if you have already traveled with CACSEE!**

*Participation fee **covers** the following expenses:*

1. Full board (3 meals a day) provided by the field kitchen (except for lunch and diner costs in restaurants during city visits).
2. Kitchen staff and food supplies.
3. Transport costs and the team of drivers.
4. Scientific supervision, lecturers and interpreters.
5. Entry charges for protected areas.
6. Accommodation (camping fees).

*Participation fee does **not cover**:*

1. Flight tickets.
2. Visa costs (no longer required for EU citizens).
3. Foreign health insurance.
4. Rental fees for tents (we strongly recommend to bring along your own tent and equipment. If necessary – a tent can be rented in Georgia).



## Booking

### Application DEADLINE

**June 01, 2019**

1. Fill in the **REGISTRATION FORM** below, sign and scan.
2. Mail the scanned registration form and a copy of your **PASSPORT** to [info@cacsee.com](mailto:info@cacsee.com)
3. You will receive a confirmation of your **RESERVATION**.
4. Transfer the **PREPAYMENT** of € 400 to the bank account specified after reservation.  
Residual costs will be collected in cash after arrival in Georgia.
5. Book your **FLIGHT to Kutaisi** and convey your flight data to us.
6. After receiving the prepayment and the flight data your **BOOKING** will be completed.

In case of **CANCELATION** your deposit will be refunded, with a deduction of the cancellation compensation according to our cancellation policy.

More than 40 days	15 % of the prepayment
40 days to 30 days	30 % of the prepayment
30 days to 14 days	50 % of the prepayment
14 days to 7 days	70 % of the prepayment
7 days or fewer	90 % of the prepayment

For details, see the **General Terms and Conditions** on our website [CACSEE.COM](http://CACSEE.COM)

**LAST MINUTE** booking is possible if there are any free places or we will place you on a waiting list.

Please, contact: [info@cacsee.com](mailto:info@cacsee.com)



## CACSEE Registration Form

GEORGIA EXCURSION 2019	Participation Fee	
September 16 – September 29	1. Person	2. Person
SURNAME		
FORENAME		
DATE OF BIRTH		
ADDRESS		
PHONE		
E-MAIL		
STUDENTS University Field of study Semester		
Regular PARTICIPANTS Profession		

Tick **TWO** areas of studies or personal interests

Ecology	Forestry	Geology
Zoology	Agriculture	Geography

I have read the Conditions of Participation and I agree.  
I have read the General Terms and Conditions and I agree.

Place and Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_