

# Off-Road Riding in Khavsureti On the Slopes of Great Caucasus

Tour Name: Off-Road Riding in Khevsureti on the Slopes of Great Caucasus  
Best Season: June through September  
Max Altitude: 2676  
Total ride distance: 185 km  
Difficulty: hard  
Vehicle support: yes

**Attention!** Off-road cycling experience is recommended, a good level of fitness is essential. Most of the trip vehicles will be available to give lifts whenever people wish. This itinerary may be changed at the discretion of the guide depending on the weather conditions, physical ability of clients and the trail options we decide together.

*Recommended equipment:*

Helmet

Sunglasses

Hat

Sunscreen lotion (SPF at least 30)

Long-sleeved shirts

Long pants

Rain suit

## Day 1. Arrival to Tbilisi

Meeting at the airport. Transfer to the hotel. Accommodation.

**Overnight:** Hotel or Guest House in Tbilisi

## Day 2. Warm up in Tbilisi

**Sightseeing:** Metekhi Church, Narikala Fortress, Bath Quarter, Botanic Garden

**Difficulty:** moderate

**Road:** 6 km tarmac, 2km ground- gravel, off road trail

After breakfast unpack your own cycle and make it ready for the coming day trip. Leaving the cycle box where it was packed in the hotel. You'll find the box back here after the trip. Little warm up bike tour in old Tbilisi and off road riding in botanical garden (8km) will ended with welcome dinner in Gudauri 100 km northern from Tbilisi where you arrive by either car or bus.

**Overnight:** Hotel or Guest House in Gudauri



## Day 3. Barisakho – Roshka (transfer by bus)

**Sightseeing:** Aragvi Valley, Roshka village (2000m)

**Approximate Ride distance:** 25km

**Total Elevation:** positive: 800m

**Difficulty:** moderate hard

**Road:** 25 km ground - Gravel

After transfer from Tbilisi Cycling route starts near Barisakho on the gravel road through Aragvi gorge. After about 14km you'll face challenging (more than +500m altitude) climb on serpentine gravel-rocky road with rivers to cross to Beautiful Roshka village (2000m).

**Overnight:** Guest house in Roshka

## Day 4. Roshka - Gudani – Tsinakhadu - Gudani

**Sightseeing:** Old Khevsurian Villages

**Approximate Ride distance:** 35km

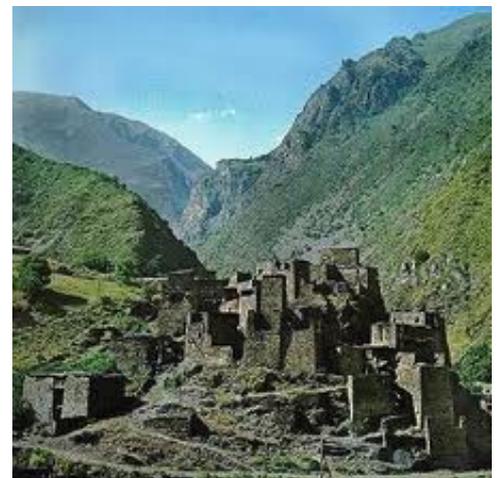
**Total Elevation:** positive: 600m negative: 700m

**Difficulty:** moderate

**Road:** 35 km ground – Gravel

After descending from Roshka route lays through old Khevsurian villages from Gudani to Tsinakhadu You'll be passing by Beautiful subalpine Fields and crossing water streams.

**Overnight:** Guest house in Gudani



## Day 5. Gudani – Datvis Jvari Pass (2667) - Shatili

**Sightseeing:** Khevsurian towers, Shatili castle

**Approximate Ride distance:** 35 km

**Total Elevation:** positive: 1100m negative: 1300m

**Difficulty:** hard

**Road:** 35 km ground - Gravel

This is one of the challenging day of the trip with 1100m altitude to climb crossing Datvis Jvari Pass(2667) and big descend to Shatili Castle.

**Overnight:** Guest house in Shatili castle

### **Day 6. Shatili – Mutso – Ardoti – Shatili**

**Sightseeing:** Shatili tombs, Mutso Castle, Ardoti castle

**Approximate Ride distance:** 35 km

**Total Elevation:** positive: 300m negative: 300m

**Difficulty:** easy

**Road:** 35 km ground - Gravel

Easiest day of the trip, terrain is relatively flat enough time to sightseeing ancient Khevsurian Castles Mutso and Ardoti.

**Overnight:** Guest house in Shatili castle



### **Day 7 Shatili – Korsha – Tbilisi (transfer)**

**Sightseeing:** Arguing river gorge, Kistani tower, Khevsurian museum in Korsha

**Approximate Ride distance:** 45 km

**Total Elevation:** positive: 1300m negative: 1400m

**Difficulty:** hard

**Road:** 45 km ground – Gravel

Tough day but a bit easier to ride up Datvis Jvari Pass (2667) than last time because of gradually ascending terrain. Of course you can choose cycling or use Vehicle assistance. First stop in Kistani to see closer beautifully preserved tower. After long descend to Korsha village you'll see Khevsurian museum.

**Overnight:** Hotel in Tbilisi



### **Day 8 Tbilisi (free day)**

Early in the morning transfer to the airport and saying good bye with the hope to see you again in Georgia for new adventures.

#### **Service included in the tour package:**

- Transfers to/from airport/hotel;
- Overnight in hotel or guest house with all facilities in Tbilisi and Stepantsminda;
- Overnight in guest house in villages Arsha and Juta;
- Half board
  - lunch packet on the ride up in the mountains (days 3-6)
- English speaking tour guide;
- Assistance car all the way of riding;
- Welcome and farewell dinners (day 2 and 7)
- A bottle of water per day per guest;

#### **Services not included in the tour package:**

- Travel insurance;
- Bicycle;
- Costs for repairing of bicycle;
- Meals other than included in tour itinerary.