

Snow Day Fun Day in Tsaghkadzor (2-day winter tour)

Leave the warmth of your beds for an amazing winter adventure accompanied by unspoiled natural landscapes, crispy fresh mountain air, glistening powder snow, and fun... lots of fun. One of the best short trips from Yerevan is undoubtedly to **Tsaghkadzor**. The most popular season to visit Tsaghkadzor is winter because of the famous ski resort and beautiful winter landscapes.

During this 2-day tour there will be plenty of things to do for everyone - explore the city, make a snowman or snow angels or just rush down the hills on a sled. Use your hotel's luxurious facilities -**hammam, indoor pool, sauna, spa** and much more. It is also possible to **zipline** from the central park, **drive ATVs, hike in parks**, do snow shoeing and enjoy the beautiful nature that surrounds the town.

And finally, to turn this trip into a real adventure, you can spice it up with **skiing or snowboarding**. No matter what's your experience level is, your day on the slopes will put a huge smile on your face.

Compliment your winter tour with **cultural and heritage** elements. Experience **lavash baking, folkloric songs and performances** in one of the rarely preserved lavash baking houses with unique armenian architecture, have lunch in a restaurant with a local cuisine and menu **influenced by world renowned Michelin Chef and Danish Noma Restaurant Co-founder - Mads Refslund** , and visit her majesty **Lake Sevan**.



Start: Yerevan, Armenia
Finish: Yerevan, Armenia
Tour Theme: Winter Tour (family and child friendly)
Are you fit for this tour?

Days: 2 days/1 night
Ages: Min 18 or Family
Trip Availability: December – March

While this trip doesn't require an advanced athletic level of fitness, it's recommended to be fit if you want to partake in some optional activities. You can find further details in the itinerary.

Itinerary

Days 1: Tsaghkadzor

08:00 – Departure from Yerevan towards Tsaghkadzor

Once we arrive, we will have a nice stroll in the heart of the city. Tsaghkadzor translated, means “Gorge of flowers” and it truly deserves the name because during spring, Tsaghkadzor is covered with lush, green forests and flowers and the views are just mesmerizing. However, it is mostly popular in winter because of its ski resort.

We will visit Kecharis Monastery - located in the northern part of town, the unique church was erected at the beginning of the 11th-century and is considered one of the historical gems of Tsaghkadzor. It is a well-kept facility surrounded by beautiful mountains and ancient cross-stones (khachkars). Kecharis Monastery is a great place to get in touch with the history of Tsaghkadzor.



Those who want to ski or snowboard and need to rent equipment, will visit a local rental shop to get the necessary gear.

From the top skiing point at an altitude of 2819 meters, opens a spectacular view of Lake Sevan and the Ararat Mountain. It's the perfect place for professionals and beginners to master their skills while enjoying the picturesque Armenian scenery. Level of tracks is designed mainly for the middle level of riding, but there are tracks for both professionals and beginners.

Not tired yet or didn't get enough of skiing or snowboarding? Slopes are even open for the fans of night riders from 07.00pm - 11.00pm.



It is also possible to Zipline from the central park and have warm cup of tea, coffee or a tasty bite from the Panorama restaurant with a beautiful panoramic view, drive ATVs, do snowshoe hike in parks, and enjoy the beautiful nature that surrounds the town (request in advance).



Accommodation

- Overnight in Tsaghkadzor.

Meals Included

- Breakfast at the hotel

Included Activities

- Tsaghkadzor city tour
- Kecharis Monastery

Day 2 / Tsaghkunk, Lake Sevan, Sevanavank Monstic Complex, Yerevan

Breakfast at the hotel.

Another fun morning at Tsaghkadzor till check out time. Enjoy the fresh mountain air and the serenity of white landscapes before we return to busy Yerevan.

Check out from the hotel and depart to [Tsaghkunk](#) located in small mountain village not far from Tsaghkadzor, to discover something new, to let ourselves be surprised and perhaps to be part of something wonderful. Here you will experience lavash baking masterclass, participate in folkloric songs and performances in one of the rarely preserved lavash baking houses (Glkhatun) from 18th century with unique Armenian architecture. It can be a great experience both for children and adults.



Lunch will be in **Tsaghkunk Restaurant** where the genuine and authentic Armenian cuisine was influenced by **Chef Mads Refslund**—a cofounder of the original, wildly influential **Noma in Copenhagen**—and a team of other restaurant geniuses. He immersed himself in learning traditional recipes and meeting purveyors, and then worked with the staff at the Tsaghkunk Restaurant to create and serve a series of unforgettable dishes.



Before heading back to Yerevan, we will have a stop at Sevan. **Lake Sevan** - the highest freshwater mountain lake in Europe, and surrounded by the Lesser Caucasus mountain range. Set 1900m above sea level, Sevan is the largest lake in the Caucasus, it's also one of the largest freshwater high-altitude lakes in the world. Its colors and shades change with the weather and by its own mysterious processes, from a dazzling azure to dark blue and a thousand shades in between. Almost no visit to Armenia is complete without visiting one of the highest mountainous lakes in the world. Get ready to tick off another bucket list location in Armenia. On the Sevan Peninsula, we visit which dates back to the 9th century.



Heading back to Yerevan.

Meals Included

- Breakfast at the hotel

Included Activities

- Lavash baking master class
- Tsaghkunk restaurant
- Folkloric songs and performances
- Lake Sevan and Sevanavank Tour

***Important Notes

We will be distributing details and next of kin information such as brochures with useful info about the resort and the ropeway, maps, places to eat and things to do around. Technical details about the resort, lifts, slope lengths and elevations, maps you can find in the information package given to you.

Our best piece of equipment advice is a simple one – **Bring your own gear with you!** The equipment rental places are available at the resort; however, the experienced skiers/snowboarders will know that in order to get the best skiing experience, you need to have your own gear and accessories with you. In case you need to rent on piste equipment, based on your prior equipment rental request, we will make them ready for you in advance, you just need to try them on. You are free to choose other equipment on spot, if necessary. Your request might not be available when it comes to specific equipment brands and sizes, therefore once again we recommend to bring your own gear.

Those who need a professional **ski/snowboard instructor** at the slopes, we can provide lessons at extra cost. Please request in your application form in advance.

The ropeway administration has the right to close some of the slope levels due to specific weather conditions, fog or strong wind for safety and security of guests. Slopes for night skiing are open daily from 07pm-11pm at additional cost. However, the lifts may not operate due to weather conditions, fog or strong wind.

Included

- Accommodation in Tsaghkadzor on BB/DBL basis (1 night)
 - Meals on BB basis
- Transportation
- Tour guide
- Lavash baking master class
- Maps and other important information
- Souvenirs

Not Included

- Optional activities (at extra cost upon request)
- Entrance tickets to slopes (at extra cost upon request)
- Ski/Snowboard instructor (at extra cost upon request)
- Ski/Snowboard rental (at extra cost upon request)
- Meals and alcoholic beverages outside the itinerary
- Tips (optional)