

# **SMILE! This is Snowboarding**

(Snowboarding Tour - Skiers are Welcome to Join)

White slopes are the only thing in your mind right now? Craving for new challenges, colorful emotions, meeting like-minded people and fast heartbeat? Then get your gear out of storage for disclosing a new hidden winter destination - Armenia.

Get the real taste of the genuine and authentic **Armenian cuisine** and **culture** and taste **Churchill's favorite brandy**, the legendary **Ararat**, and taste the delicious **Armenian wine** that has its origin dating thousands of years back. Want to make this adventure **more** than just another snowboarding tour, you can choose to **spice it up** with **optional activities**.

Dive into white Armenian landscapes on your snowboard that will for a while shut you off from everything so you can live within that moment.



**Start:** Yerevan, Armenia **Finish:** Yerevan, Armenia **Tour Theme:** Snowboarding

**Days:** 5 days/4 nights

**Physical rating:** (3 out of 5)

**Group size:** Min 2 **Ages:** Min 18 or Family

**Trip Availability:** December – March

# Are you fit for this tour?

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



## **Itinerary**

# Day 1/Arrival, Tsaghkadzor

Arrival, Meet and Greet at Zvartnots International Airport.

Welcome to Yerevan, the capital city of Armenia. Our tour leader will greet you at the airport and help you with all the ground handling services.

Transfer to Tsaghkadzor Resort. After a welcome briefing meeting with the tour leader, you will check in to your hotel.

For the rest of the day you'll have free time on your own to explore the resort or go out for a nice dinner at a local restaurant for your first encounter with Armenian cuisine or just recap from your travel and get a good night's sleep before tomorrow's snowboard adventure.



### Accommodation

Overnight in Tsaghkadzor.

# **Important Notes**

It's important that you attend the welcome meeting, as 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.

Our best piece of snowboarding touring equipment advice is a simple one – Bring your own gear with you! The equipment rental places are available at the resort; however, the experienced snowboarders will know that in order to get the best 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. To make things more convenient for you, the equipment you chose will be



stored and reserved for you at the rental shop storage room, under your name during your entire trip. The shop is right at the slopes. Just pass by the shop in the morning, put them on and take the lift to the slopes. You are free to choose other equipment on spot, if necessary. You can also swap them with another equipment, if during snowboarding you realize they are not the best fit for you. Your request might not be available when it comes to specific equipment brands/names and sizes, therefor once again we recommend to bring your own gear.

# Day 2 - Day 3 / Snowboarding days

The amazing slopes are calling! Transfer to ropeway for on piste snowboarding. We have a beautiful day ahead for conquering the wintery summits of the Teghenis Mountains (2851m). Leave the warmth of your beds for an amazing adventure accompanied by unspoiled natural landscapes, crispy fresh mountain air, glistening powder snow, and peace.

Free time. Explore the city, there are plenty of good restaurants, markets and shops for essentials or perhaps join your new travel companions for an optional group dinner. Use your hotel's luxurious facilities -hammam, indoor pool, sauna, gym, spa and much more.

Not tired yet or didn't get enough of snowboarding? Have an amazing and unique experience of night snowboarding. Slopes are open for the fans of night snowboarding from 07.00pm - 11.00pm.



## Accommodation



Overnight in Tsaghkadzor.

## **Included Activities**

• On piste snowboarding on Mount Teghenis (6 - day ski pass tickets included)

# **Optional Activities at extra cost**

- Night snowboarding can be done daily (11,000 AMD includes 10 entries)
- You can rent snow shoeing and do some hiking around
- You can rent skidoos and ATVs and explore the area (1 hour 25,000 AMD)
- You can enjoy Zip lining over the white landscapes (10,000 AMD)

#### **Meals Included**

Breakfast at the hotel

## **Important Notes**

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

Technical details about the resort, lifts, slope lengths and elevations, maps you can find in the information package given to you.

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 snowboarding are open daily from 07pm-11pm at additional cost. However, the lifts may not operate due to weather conditions, fog or strong wind.





Day 4 / Yerevan City Tour, NOY Brandy-Wine Factory

**09:00** / Breakfast at the Hotel and check out **10:00** / Starting the tour

**11:00 – 13:00** / Time to explore the Armenian capital <u>Yerevan</u> – a 2806-year-old and modern city, located in the shadow of the biblical Mount Ararat. You will explore The Republic Square,



Cascade, Opera House, North Avenue. From the impressive Cascade you have a panoramic view of the whole capital and Mount Ararat.







13:00 - 14:30 / Lunch in Yerevan.

Free time until dinner.

15:00-16:00 / We will visit <u>NOY Brandy-Wine Factory</u> - one of the best corners of Yerevan city to enjoy your time.

The administrative building of the factory built in Shustov's times, has turned into a museum where the information about Armenian brandy making and about the people who had a contribution to the development of the factory is kept. Here you may take a tour and get acquainted with the glorious past and present of Armenian brandy and wine making and spoil your taste buds by tasting Portwein 1944-year reserve, Cognac 5- and 10-years reserve.





## Accommodation

• Overnight in Yerevan.

## **Included Activities**

- Yerevan City Tour
- NOY Brandy-Wine Factory



## Meals Included

Breakfast at the hotel

## Day 5 / Departure

09:00 – Breakfast in the hotel and check out Departure 3 hours before your flight.

**See you soon in Armenia.** We hope that while looking at Armenia pinned in your travel map, will bring back unforgettable memories and experience during your five days with us!

### **Meals Included**

• Breakfast at the Hotel.

### Included

- ✓ Accommodation
- ✓ Total Hotels/Guest houses in each destination 4 nights
- ✓ Meals BB meals
- ✓ Transportation and all transfers
- ✓ All museum and entrance tickets according to the program
- ✓ Wine and Brandy Degustation at NOY Wine-Brandy Factory
- ✓ Tour Guide
- ✓ Optional Activities (at extra cost upon request)

# **Not Included**

- Air tickets (will be provided upon request)
- Visas (will be provided upon request)
- Travel Insurance (will be provided upon request
- Any meals that are not specified in the itinerary