

Snow Slopes and Epic Thrills; Ski Armenia

(Ski Tour – Snowboarders are Welcome to Join)

Anyone who's skied even a meter in fresh snow knows that there's something electrifying about it — something **addictive**.

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**. Want to make this adventure **more** than just another snowboarding tour, you can choose to **spice it up** with **optional activities**. Leave the warmth of your bed! Shred, carve, freestyle and satisfy your addiction...



Start: Yerevan, Armenia

Physical rating: (3 out of 5)

Finish: Yerevan, Armenia

Group size: Min 2

Tour Theme: Skiing

Ages: Min 18 or Family

Days: 5 days/4 nights

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 at Zvartnots International Airport.

Arrival, Meet and Greet at Zvartnots International Airport.

Welcome to 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. Those who need to rent skiing equipment will visit a local rental shop to get the necessary gear.

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 ski 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 skiing 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 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. 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 skiing 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, therefore once again we recommend to bring your own gear.

The weather in Armenia and at the resort is cold at this time of the year, make sure you are well prepared and have your proper skiing outfit, thermal clothes and base layers and all the necessary accessories.

Day 2 – Day 3 / The Slopes are Calling!

09:00 / Breakfast at the Hotel

The slopes are calling! Transfer to ropeway for on piste skiing. 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 skiing? Slopes are even open for the fans of night skiing from 07.00pm - 11.00pm.



Accommodation

- Overnight in Tsaghkadzor.

Meals Included

- Breakfast at the hotel

Included Activities

- On piste skiing on Mount Teghenis

Optional Activities at extra cost

- 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)

Important Notes

Those who need a professional **ski instructor** at the slopes, we can provide ski 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 skiing 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 **Yerevan** – a 2807-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.

15:00-16:00 / We will visit **NOY Brandy-Wine Factory** - 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.



Free time until dinner.

Accommodation

- Overnight in Yerevan.

Included Activities

- Yerevan City Tour

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 Brandy-Wine Factory
- ✓ 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