



Wine Tour to Kakheti

May 20

Airport pick-up at 4 AM (LOT flight from Warsaw).

Transfer to Telavi. Early check-in around 7 AM (twin rooms with breakfast and private bathrooms).

Option 1: Esquisse (nearby Telavi):

<https://www.booking.com/hotel/ge/esquisse-boutique.en-gb.html>

Option 2: Zuzumbo Hotel (at the top of Telavi) - more expensive:

<https://www.booking.com/hotel/ge/old-telavi-resort-amp-spa-zuzumbo.en-gb.html>

Breakfast is usually till 12, so around 12:30 we can start with a brief walk in Telavi and the tasting program. The historical part is small, but if the weather is fine, walking and getting some background information is good. Visiting the local agricultural market is also possible!

Around 14:00: **Sandro Milorava** is awaiting! We'll also have lunch with the family.

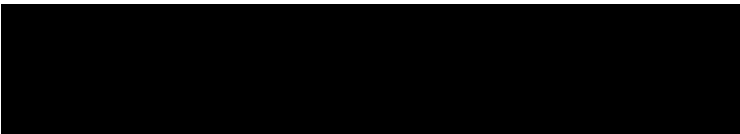
Around 16:30: Moving towards our second winery visit in Telavi: Tasting at **Chona's Marani**.

Return to the hotel - if the weather allows, it's possible to spend time at the open pool and order something from the bar.

May 21

Breakfast till 10 AM.

At 10:30 - Departure to the workshop of **Zaza Kbilashvili, the qvevri maker** in the fourth generation, to see how the traditional winemaking vessels are being made.



Around 12:30 - Visiting **Levani's Marani** in Akhmeta for a tasting - small cellar, really good amber wines and spirits await! The cellar is old, but it's been accepting guests for a couple of years only.

Around 14:30 - visit **Lagazi Wine Cellar** in Alvani to have an organic wine tasting and a great Tushetian lunch with locally grown bread. Shota Lagazidze comes from Tusheti. He is a winemaker and brewer who also makes beer for Lost Ridge Inn in Signaghi. Everything served is only homegrown and homemade!

Around 17:00 - Visiting **Lopota Lake** and **Chateau Buera** for wine tasting, some snacks, and a big local business showcase.

Return to the hotel by 20:00, free time.

May 22

Breakfast till 10 AM.

Departure to **Gremi Archaeological Complex** around 10:30. Sightseeing and a bit of walking around the historical place that once was a capital of the Kakhetian kingdom.

Around 12:30 - Visit to **Nekresi Estate** for a wine tasting with snacks.

Around 14:00 - tasting in the **Wine Cave of Khareba Winery**. The location is pretty unique, as it is a real wine bunker, built in the 60s. The wines are generic, but seeing the place is worth it.

Around 16:00 - visit **Papari Valley** winery for tasting and proper food.

In the evening, around 19:00 - a visit to **Tsinandali Estate** and a couple of glasses of still and sparkling wine in the Prince Alexander restaurant (1 sparkling and 1 still wine is included into the price).

Return to the hotel around 21:00, overnight.



May 23

Breakfast till 10:00.

If necessary, PCR tests in the lab in Telavi!

12:00 - Tasting in Teleda/Orgo winery, run by Gogi Dakishvili. However at the moment it's not possible to guarantee Gogi's presence.

14:30 - Lunch and tasting at **Togonidze Wine Cellar**

17:00 - Visiting **Giorgi Ghvardzelashvili** for a tasting

20:00 - khinkali and beer in Alkhanaidze Brewery in Telavi

Return to the hotel afterwards, packing, rest

May 24

Departure to Tbilisi at 00:30

Arrival at the airport at approximately 02:30. Check-in and departure.

PRICE (Zuzumbo/Esquisse)

10 - 12 people: 850/750 EUR/person

What's included:

4.5 travel days, 4 overnights with breakfasts, 12 wineries, at least 2 historical heritage sites, all above mentioned tastings, meals and entrance tickets, professional English speaking guide, driver on a clean Mercedes Sprinter



What's not included:

PCR tests in Telavi (if necessary), extra coffee or desserts in places like Nekresi Estate, Buera, Tsinandali Estate, tips if necessary (guide and driver work for more than 10 hours a day, so something symbolic would make sense)