CULTURAL TOUR IN THE MACHAKHELA GORGE

Route type: Vehicle Length: 25 km.

Travel duration: 1 day

Road type: Asphalted road, ground road

Difficulty: Easy

Distance from Batumi: 21 km

Altitude: Start - 26 meters, Finish - 522 m

Cellular network coverage: Full

The route offers visitors to see one of the oldest and most beautiful part of Adjara region- Machakheli gorge. A touristic route starts from the Batumi - Akhaltsikhe highway and goes upward the Machakhela gorge. Starting from the confluence of the rivers Chorokhi and Machakela, it goes to the Gvara fortress, which is located very close to the rivers confluence. From the Gvara fortress the route fully follows the gorge. To the village Ajarisaghmarti, it is asphalted road, after which continues with the ground road. At the Ambrazura (Cannon place) crosses the river Squrdidi and then continues to the Machakhela gorge again. On the road we meet Tskhemlara beautiful arched bridge and following the gorge encountering the villages Kveda and Zeda Chkhutuneti. Here there awaites for the visitors amazing, not very high waterfall and Machakhela ethnographic museum. It is noteworthy that there are many interesting exhibits in the museum, which were characteristic for the local peoples life. From the Machakhela museum the route continues to the direction of the Chkheri bridge and waterfall. This section of the route goes along the narrow road across the steep slope of the gorge. During our way there can be seen impressive panoramic views over the Machakhela gorge. From the Chkheri bridge our route goes down the bottom of the gorge and passing through the Chkhutuneti fortress ruins ends at the Qoqoleti arched bridge.

There are several guesthouses and catering facilities in the gorge, where if visitor wishes, one can spent the night, and have the opportunity to taste the local cuisine.



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Mosque

Synagogue

Guesthouse

Police

Medical centre

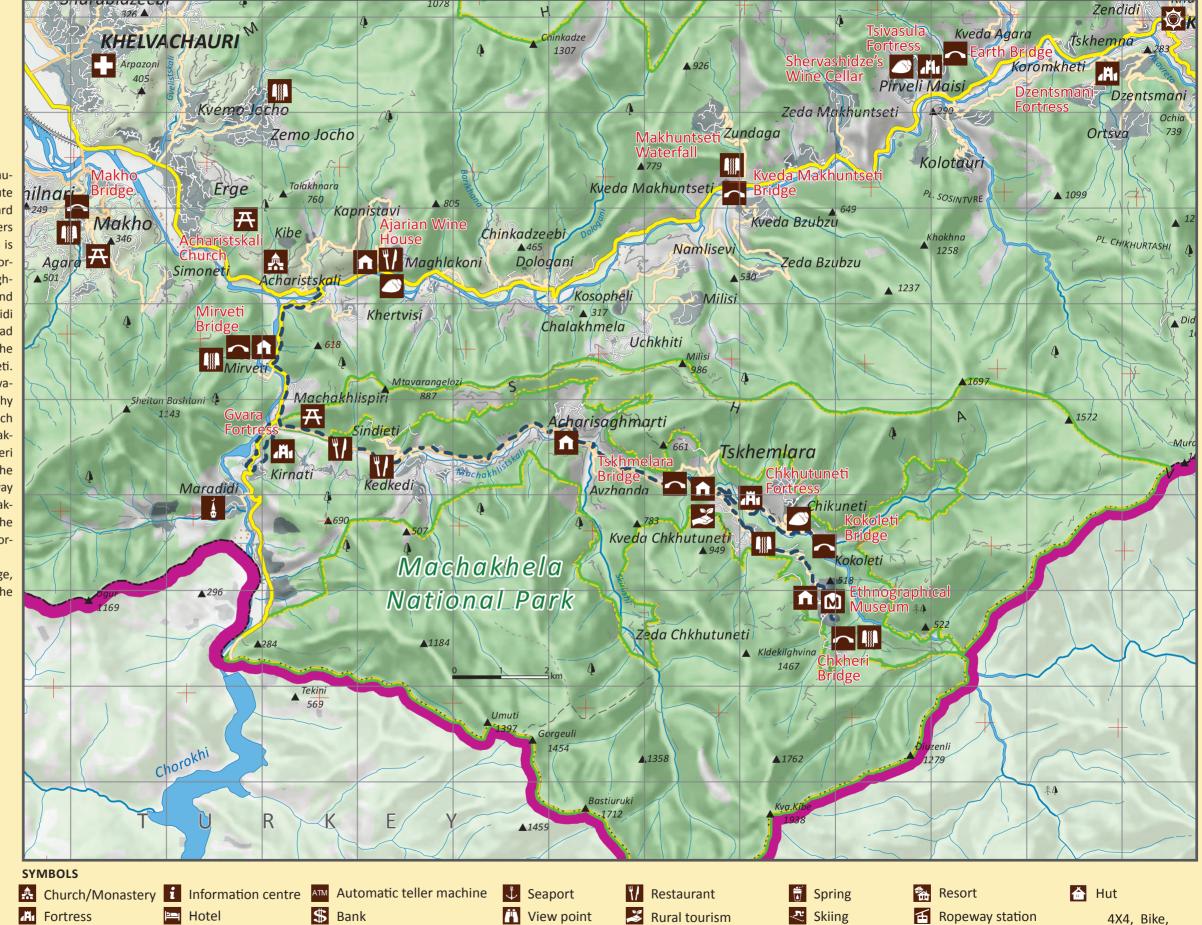
Gas station

Customs

Visitor centre



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Wine tourism

Birdwatching

Natural monument

Canyon

Airport

Waterfall

Cave

Grave

Landmark

Arch bridge

Camping

A Picnic area

Horse, Walking