

Catski & Backcountry Experience in Adjara, Georgien

In winter 2019/2020 we opened up a new area in Adjara. Our base is an alpine hut at 2,400 meters, which we renovated in summer 2019. The hut can accommodate a group of around 10 freeriders. The area is high alpine, quite remote and lies directly at the foot of the highest mountain in the region: Sarkornia [2,755m]. In the winter nobody else is in this alp village.



Itinerary

- **Saturday:** Pick up at the airport & transfer to Bakhmaro and then to the new base in Adjara (about 2 hours by minibus and then 2.5 hours by snowcat).
[Situationally, it could be necessary to do an overnight stay near the airport on arrival and/or departure day.]
- **Sunday:** safety-meeting, catskiing in the mountains of Adjara.
- **Monday till Friday:** catskiing in the mountains of Adjara.
- **Saturday:** after breakfast transfer to the airport Kutaisi (KUT).

Services included

- Pick up at Kutaisi airport and transfer to the mountain hut and back.
- 7 nights in a simple mountain lodge.
- Breakfast, packed lunch and Georgian dinner.
- 5-6 days catskiing including guide (depending on weather conditions downdays are possible)
- English speaking contact persons with local knowledge.

Dates

- Dezember 2020 till March 2021

December is usually already a safe powder month. It can get warm in March, so we also offer a combination of catskiing and ski tours in March.

Price: 2'450,-€ per Person (2'100,-€ in December 2020 & March 2021)



Requirements

- safe freeriding in alpine terrain.
- safe technique in all snow conditions.
- Experience in backcountry behaviour and avalanche safety
- Fitness for short ascents.
- Patience (for alpine conditions, weather and the situation in a transition country like Georgia).

Please keep in mind that there must always be a reserve for a safe expedition. We move here in undeveloped terrain. External support is virtually impossible. We are on our own. Experience shows that in particular weaker participants suffer injuries more often than average.

Accommodation & Food

The hut has got three basic rooms with bunk beds accommodating up to 12 freeriders. On the ground floor there are two toilets, a shower and a sauna with a relaxation room. On the first floor there is a cosy living room with a sofa corner, wood stove, a small bar and a dining table.

Our local team cooks for you. In the morning there is an extensive breakfast, for lunch we take a lunch box and in the evening we cook typical Georgian dishes. Georgian cuisine is hearty and varied. In Georgia, food is served in bowls and plates and everyone takes what they like.



Guiding & Team

Our groups are led by an experienced guide. We scouted the tracks and freeride areas last winter. Our local Pistenbully driver has been trained by us and has known the terrain since childhood. We provide safety training and English lessons for the local team to increase or quality and safety standards every season.