

ARMENIA & KARABAGH 2012

This 15-day tour focuses on the unique cultural, religious and historic sights of Armenia and Karabagh. Some of the key points of interest include Holy Etchmiadzin Cathedral, numerous monasteries included in the UNESCO World Heritage list, the vibrant and inviting city of Yerevan, and the beautiful, mountainous region of Nagorno Karabagh.



Etchmiadzin Cathedral

What's Included:

- Airfare
- Quality Hotels
- 22 Meals
- Transfers
- Medical Insurance
- Guided Daily Excursions



TOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1 - DEPART U.S.A.

Overnight transatlantic flight.

DAY 2 - ARRIVE YEREVAN

Take a connecting flight for an evening arrival into Yerevan. Check-in to your hotel.

DAY 3 - YEREVAN CITY TOUR

Your city tour includes a visit to the Erebouni Museum, the statue of David of Sassoun, Matenadaran, St. Gregory the Illuminator Cathedral, and the Tsitsernakaberd Memorial Monument and Museum. **B**

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DAY 5 - TSAGHKADZOR, SEVAN & DILIJAN

Visit the resort town of Tsaghkadzor, a winter paradise and tourist destination year round. Continue your journey to Lake Sevan. Climb up Sevan peninsula and see 'Sevanavank' atop the mountain. The excursion follows into Dilijan, where you will visit Haghartsin Monastery. **B L**

DAY 6 - ETCHMIADZIN & SARTARABAD

Visit the church of the Holy Virgin St. Hripsime. Pilgrimage to Etchmiadzin Cathedral, the first official Christian church in the world, built in 301 A.D. Depart Etchmiadzin to Sartarabad, symbol of Armenian pride and survival. Visit the Monument and Ethnographic Museum. **B**

DAY 7 - HAGHBAT & SANAHIN

Excursion to the province of Lori. Visit Haghbat, one of the largest medieval monasteries of Armenia. Next visit the Sanahin Monastery. The Haghbat and Sanahin Monasteries are considered to be jewels of medieval Armenian architecture, preserved by UNESCO and included in the World Heritage List. **B L**

DAY 8 - KHOR VIRAP, NORAVANK, KARAHUNJ & GORIS

(Overnight in Goris)

Depart Yerevan to Goris. Along the way visit the historic Khor Virap Monastery, site where St. Gregory the Illuminator was imprisoned. On the way enjoy Armenian wine at the Areni village winery. Follow the trip to the Province of Vayots Dzor and visit Noravank Monastery. Continue on to Karahunj - the oldest Stonehenge and astronomical observatory. Arrive Goris, the southern cultural center for the sciences and arts. Check-in to your hotel. **B L D**

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DAY 9 – GORIS, TATEV, SHUSHI & STEPANAKERT (Overnight in Stepanakert)

Excursion to Tatev Monastery: Arrive in Halidzor station. Experience the World's Longest Aerial Tramway to Tatev Monastery. Spanning 5.7 kilometers across the spectacular Vorotan River Gorge with its deepest drop at 360 meters above ground. Depart Goris for Karabagh. Enter the town of Shushi. Visit the beautiful Surb Amenaprkich Ghazanchetsots Church (19th century) and the monument of the Liberation of Shushi - "Tank". Finally you will arrive Stepanakert and check-in to your hotel.

B L D

DAY 10 - STEPANAKERT & GANDZASAR (Overnight in Stepanakert)

Stepanakert city tour, including the Artsakh State Museum, Revival Square and the Memorial Monument to the soldiers of Artsakh. Excursion to the great Gandzasar Monastery (13th century) and Tatik-Papik statue. **B L D**

DAY 11 - STEPANAKERT TO YEREVAN

Depart Stepanakert to Yerevan. Along the way, stop and visit the resort town of Jermuk. Depart Jermuk to Yerevan and check-in to your hotel. **B L**

DAY 12 - FREE DAY

An opportunity to relax, shop, or revisit your favorite sites. **B**

DAY 13 - YERABLUR, VICTORY PARK & SHOPPING

Visit Yerablur, Three-Hills Memorial devoted to the heroes of the Karabagh war, and Victory Park. See the statue of Mother Armenia and Cascade. Enjoy shopping at Vernisage. Visit Armen Carpet rug factory, Grand Candy and the Tashir Mall. **B**

DAY 14 - AMBERD & OSHAGAN

Excursion to Amberd Fortress located on the picturesque slope of Mt. Aragats, the highest peak in Armenia. Also see Artashavan and the village of Oshagan, burial site of Mesrob Mashtots near Ashtarak. Farewell dinner & entertainment at a trendy restaurant. **B D**

DAY 15 - DEPART YEREVAN

Board your homebound flight, which will arrive in the U.S. the same day.

B = Breakfast | **L** = Lunch | **D** = Dinner



INTRODUCTORY PRICES:
Group space is limited. Prices subject to increase at any time.

Depart - Return	Airline	Hotels	Tour Price*
May 20 - June 3	Virgin Atlantic	Ani Plaza	\$ 1,990 + tax
May 20 - June 3	Virgin Atlantic	Marriott	\$ 2,390 + tax
June 27 - July 11	Virgin Atlantic	Ani Plaza	\$ 2,490 + tax
June 27 - July 11	Virgin Atlantic	Marriott	\$ 2,790 + tax
July 30 - August 13	Virgin Atlantic	Ani Plaza	\$ 2,490 + tax
July 30 - August 13	Virgin Atlantic	Marriott	\$ 2,790 + tax
August 26 - September 9	Virgin Atlantic	Ani Plaza	\$ 2,390 + tax
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September 15 - September 29	Virgin Atlantic	Ani Plaza	\$ 2,290 + tax
September 15 - September 29	Virgin Atlantic	Marriott	\$ 2,690 + tax

* Tour prices shown are based on Los Angeles departure and for double occupancy. Departures from all U.S. cities are available. Please call (800) 826-7960 for details and pricing.



ARMENIA & RUSSIA

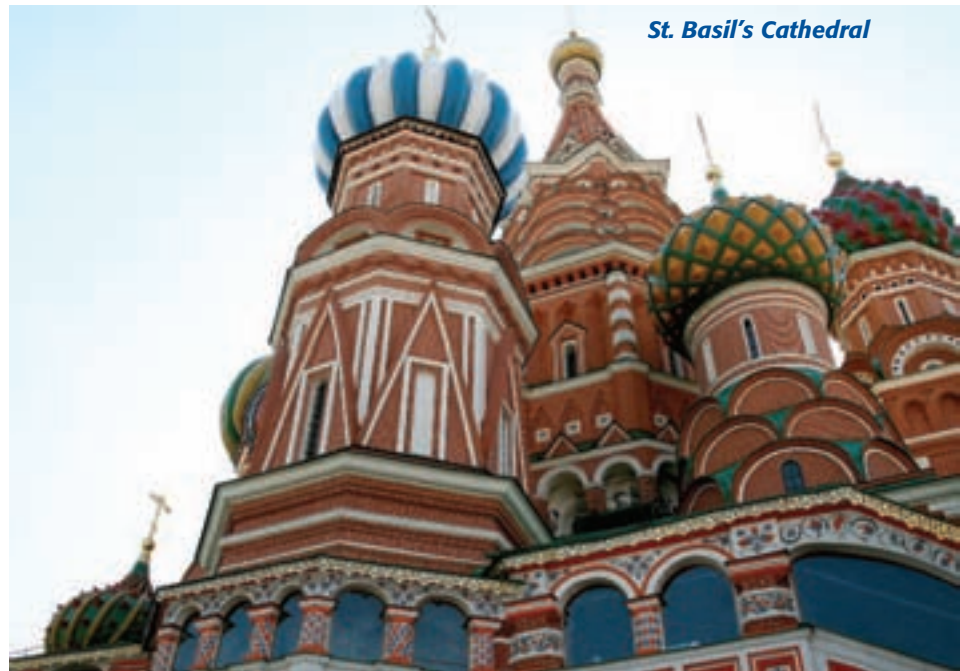
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This 16-day tour highlights Russia's beautiful city of St. Petersburg, "Venice of the North", known for its palaces, monuments and bridges and Russia's robust capital city of Moscow, with its historic Kremlin and Red Square. The tour continues to Armenia, where you will stay in the capital city of Yerevan and take daily excursions to key historic, religious and cultural sites in Armenia.



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St. Basil's Cathedral

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Take a connecting flight from Paris for an evening arrival into St. Petersburg. Check-in to the Petro Palace Hotel.

DAY 3 - ST. PETERSBURG CITY TOUR

Visit Peter and Paul Fortress, the oldest monument of history and architecture in St. Petersburg, which is home to the Cathedral of SS Peter and Paul. Also visit the State Hermitage Museum, which houses works by Rafael, Leonardo da Vinci and Picasso. **B L**

DAY 4 - PETERHOF & ST. ISAAC'S CATHEDRAL

Visit Peterhof, the "Russian Versailles." The world-famous palace, fountain and park ensemble of Peterhof is an outstanding landmark of Russian artistic culture from the 18-19th centuries. Also visit St. Isaac's Cathedral. **B L**

DAY 5 - ST. PETERSBURG TO MOSCOW

Check-out from your hotel and transfer to the airport. Depart St. Petersburg to arrive in Moscow the same day. Transfer to the Hotel Novotel Moscow Centre. **B L**

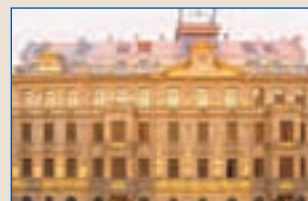
DAY 6 - MOSCOW CITY TOUR

Visit Red Square, and explore St. Basil's Cathedral. Visit the Grand Kremlin Palace and Armoury Museum, oldest museum in Russia with unique collection of crown jewels. **B L**

DAY 7 - KOLOMENSKOE, ARBAT STREET & METRO

Visit the Kolomenskoe Museum and grounds, the old imperial estate nestled in the steep west bank of the Moscow River. Take a walking and shopping tour along Arbat Street and the Moscow Metro, which is the world's most heavily used metro system. **B L**

Four Star Tour Hotels in Russia



Petro Palace Hotel - St. Petersburg



Novotel Moscow Centre - Moscow

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Overlooking Yerevan with Mt. Ararat in the background

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Opera House in Yerevan

TERMS & CONDITIONS

RESERVATION: Reservations are made upon receipt of \$1,000 per person, by check or money order only. Balance is due 60 days before each departure date. Trip Cancellation Insurance of \$129/\$169 per person is due separately. Sidon Travel reserves the right to treat the booking as cancelled if the balance due is not paid on time.

FARES AND RATES: All rates used in this document are those in effect at the time of printing and are subject to increase without notice due to increases in air tariffs, ground services, hotels and government taxes and currency fluctuations. Airfares are for information only and are to be confirmed at the time of ticket issuance.

PASSPORTS & VISAS: When traveling outside the U.S., a passport is required and valid for at least six months after your return. You are responsible for all visas, permits, necessary health requirements, and any other documents as required by law, regulation and/or order of the countries visited.

NOT INCLUDED: Not included are passport, visa, insurance, laundry, tips to drivers and guides, excess luggage, services of personal nature, alcoholic beverages, meals or services other than those mentioned specifically.

BAGGAGE PER PASSENGER: International baggage allowance policies are changing rapidly. Up to date information will be provided during the group orientation meeting, and/or delivered to you with your travel documents. At time of print, travel on flights to/from U.S. on Air France has a free baggage allowance of 1 checked bag up to 50 pounds, and 1 carry-on up to 22 pounds. Travel within Russia on Aeroflot has a free baggage allowance of 1 checked bag up to 44 pounds (20 kg) and 1 carry-on up to 12 pounds (5 kg).

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: In addition to hotels listed in the brochure, any first class twin-bedded rooms with private bath or shower in categories listed as classified by respective governments may be used. A limited number of single rooms are available at higher rates upon request. Triple/Quad rooms are available upon request at varying prices.

INSURANCE: A LIMITED amount of medical and trip insurance is included in the cost of your tour. Sidon Travel & Tourism, Inc. strongly recommends the purchase of additional insurance for your tour to cover trip cancellation, and any additional coverage you choose.

CANCELLATION CHARGES: If you cancel your tour for any reason (including illness or hospitalization), we will refund your payment, but will be obliged to deduct the following penalties (provided all requests for refund are made in writing):

Prior to 90 days before departure	\$200 Operational fees
From 89 to 60 days before departure	20% of total tour price
From 59 to 30 days before departure	40% of total tour price
From 29 to day of departure	\$1,500 for all Armenia & Karabagh tour participants \$2,500 for all Armenia & Russia tour participants

CANCELLATIONS DURING THE TOUR: Due to pre-arranged services and pre-paid hotel rooms, any days of tourism you miss or choose to skip will not be refundable. In case of any illness that may cause you to cut your trip short, or not stay with the group's itinerary, it is wise to keep your hospital receipts, as travel insurance companies will require them to make a claim. Sidon Travel will not be responsible for hotel rooms and tours not used, and cannot provide a refund for them, once the tour has begun.

SPECIAL REQUESTS (Seats, Meals, Airline Miles): Seats assignments and special meals can be requested at time of booking. Sidon Travel cannot guarantee confirmation of preferences, as airline group policies dictate availability. Frequent flyer miles can be accrued on most major carriers (up to 25% for Air France), but upgrades using mileage is not permitted. For more information, call the airlines directly once you reserve your tour.

SAFETY: Please be aware that during your participation on tours operated by Sidon Travel, certain risks and dangers may arise beyond our control including, but limited to the hazards of traveling in undeveloped areas; travel by automobile, bus, aircraft or other means of transportation; the forces of nature, political unrest, acts of terrorism and accident or illness in remote regions without means of rapid evacuation or medical facilities. Sidon Travel will not have liability regarding provisions of medical care or the adequacy of any care that may be rendered.

RESPONSIBILITY: Sidon Travel & Tourism, Inc., its affiliated entities, its and their employees, shareholders, directors, and officers (collectively, Sidon), except for a ground handling office in Armenia does not own or operate any entity which is to or does provide goods or services for my trip and any other travel services which Sidon may book for me, including, for example, lodging facilities, transportation companies, local ground operators, including, without limitation, various entities which may utilize the Sidon name, guides, entertainment, food or drink providers, equipment suppliers, etc. As a result, Sidon is not responsible for any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any such person or entity. In addition, Sidon is not responsible for any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any person or entity it does not own or control, nor for any act or inaction of any other third party not under its control.

Sidon is not liable for any direct, indirect, consequential, or incidental damage, injury, death, loss, accident, delay, inconvenience or irregularity of any kind which may be occasioned by reason of any act or omission beyond its control, including, without limitation any willful or negligent act, failure to act, breach of contract or violation of local law or regulation of any third party such as an airline, train, hotel, bus, taxi, van, guide or local ground handler whether or not it has a corporate affiliation with Sidon, financial default or insolvency of any supplier which is, to, or does supply any goods or services for this trip. Similarly, Sidon is not responsible for any loss, injury, death or inconvenience due to delay or changes in schedule, overbooking or downgrading of accommodation, default of any third party, attacks by animals, sickness, the lack of appropriate medical care, evacuation to same, if necessary, insurance coverage or payments relevant to same, weather, strikes, acts of force majeure or government, acts of terrorism or the threat thereof, war, epidemics or the threat thereof, quarantine, criminal activity, or any other cause beyond its control.

Sidon reserves the right to decline or accept or retain any person or to change or cancel the tour, if necessary, for any reason.

ARBITRATION AGREEMENT: I agree that any controversy or claim arising out of or relating in any way to these Terms & Conditions, to the brochure, website or other literature or any information relating in any way to the trip or to the trip itself or to any other travel services arranged by Sidon shall be settled exclusively by binding arbitration in Los Angeles County, California, USA, in accordance with the then existent commercial rules of the American Arbitration Association. Such proceedings will be governed by substantive California law (but not procedural law) excluding any application or consideration of the California Arbitration Act.

PARTICIPATING CARRIERS: In addition to Virgin Atlantic, Lufthansa, Aeroflot and BMI, the services of any IATA/ARC airline may be used.

HOW TO REGISTER

1. Please complete form, sign and send with your deposit of \$1,000 (per person) written to Sidon Travel.
2. Also send a photocopy of your passport, to include your name, passport number and passport validity.
Mailing Address: Sidon Travel - 428 S. Central Avenue, Glendale, California 91204

REGISTRATION FORM

Tour Departure Date: _____ 2012 Armenia & Karabagh Armenia & Russia

LAST NAME (Names must match passport.)

FIRST NAME

BIRTH DATE

1. _____ / _____ / _____
 2. _____ / _____ / _____
 3. _____ / _____ / _____
 4. _____ / _____ / _____

Address: _____ Home Telephone: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Work/Cell Telephone: _____

E-Mail: _____ Special Requests: _____

TOUR AGREEMENT

I confirm to have read, and accept all the Terms & Conditions related to my tour. I have been advised that Trip Cancellation Insurance is not included in the tour price, and must be purchased separately. All names listed on the registration form are correct and all travelers have been advised of the above.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Office Use Only:

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 Tour Price Taxes Deviations Visas Discount Misc. Total Amount (p/p)

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Why should I purchase Trip Cancellation Insurance?

You are planning an annual vacation, and non-refundable payments are expected of you. We know that there are circumstances out of your control which may be reason to cancel or interrupt your trip plans.

Travel insurance coverage provided by



Trip Cancellation Protection**:

Provides reimbursement for non-refundable trip payments and deposits if you must cancel your trip before you get started.

Trip Interruption Protection**:

Provides reimbursement for non-refundable trip payments and out of pocket expenses if your trip is interrupted after you have left.

Protect your investment with the purchase of Trip Cancellation/Interruption Insurance:

**For Only \$129* pp (Armenia & Karabagh Tours)
 or \$169* pp (Armenia & Russia Tour):**

The following travel insurance benefits are included in our tours at No Cost to you**

Medical Expense***	\$25,000
Emergency Evacuation & Repatriation of Remains	\$250,000
Accidental Death & Dismemberment	\$25,000
Baggage & Personal Effects Loss	\$1,500
Baggage Delay	\$250
Trip Delay (Maximum of \$150 per day)	\$750
Missed Connection	\$250

*Travel Insurance valid only if purchased while you are medically able to travel at time of purchase. Payment due by check only and is non-refundable. ** For an explanation of covered reasons and exclusions, benefits and limits to coverage, please inquire with us. ***Medical expense for pre-existing conditions will only be covered in case of purchase to trip cancellation/interruption protection.

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Sidon Travel welcomes you to explore the beautiful and historic destinations Armenia & Russia have to offer. With over 40 years of experience, Sidon Travel, with offices in Los Angeles and Yerevan, is the premier tour operator to Armenia. Taking a Sidon Travel tour will allow you to experience Armenia through a professionally organized, worry-free, entertaining and informative trip.

Contact us today to reserve your spot on one of our tours and start on the journey of creating memories and friendships that last a lifetime.

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