

## **MEMORIAL HANS GUTMANN TOURIST RALLY 2016**

Friday August 5<sup>th</sup> – Saturday August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016

# GEORGIA AND THE EUROPEAN CAUCASUS



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## 2016 RALLY – STATUS MARCH 30<sup>TH</sup> 2016

### 2016: 5<sup>TH</sup> EDITION OF MEMORIAL HANS GUTMANN TOURIST RALLY 2016



The month of August 2016 brings private pilots from near and far in Europe to the glorious skies of "Georgia and the European Caucasus".



Like all of the Hans Gutmann memorial tours, this year's edition of the "Georgia and the European Caucasus", will incorporate mountains, deserts and National Parks, including some new destinations--as well as different slants on previous ones -- in Eastern Europe.



### Pilots can either:

- Fly to Georgia, Europe with their own or club plane
- Rent a plane in Romania, Bulgaria (or Turkey) and fly from there to Georgia
- Rent a plane in Georgia (at least one C172 and one C182 available)

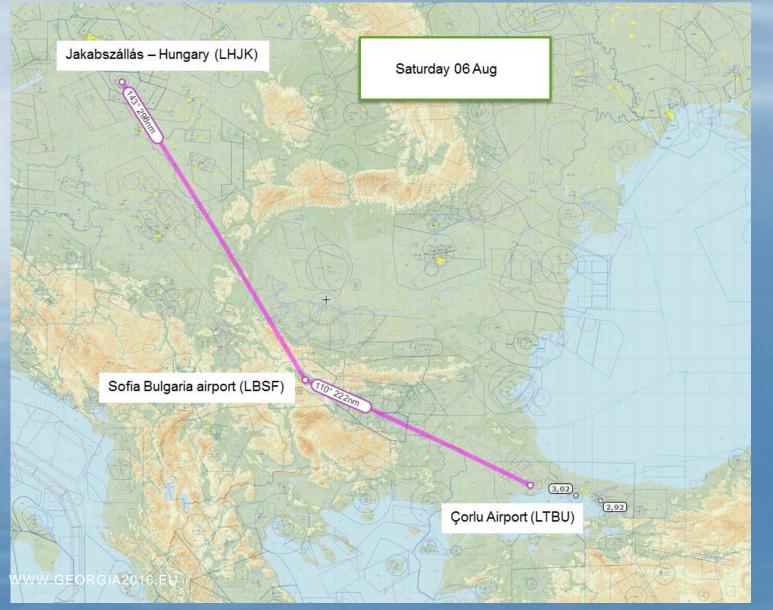
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### 2016 TOUR PROGRAM



Date	Departure	Landing	NM	Details
Friday 05 Aug	Anywhere in Europe	Jakabszállás – Hungary (LHJK) – wonderful private airport with hotel on the airfield		Offical starting point rally – welcome dinner – rally briefing
Saturday 06 Aug	LHJK	Fuel stop at Sofia Bulgaria airport (LBSF) 300 NM– arrival in the afternoon at Tekirdağ Çorlu Airport (LTBU) 220NM - This is a military and public airport in Çorlu, west from Istanbul	530	Flight into Turkey. Overnight stay at Corlu Customs, AVGAS
Sunday 07 Aug	LTBU	Samsun Carsamba airport (LTFH) refueling stop* - lunch at coastal/sea airport of Ordu Giresun airport (LTCB)* - Batumi Georgia (UGSB)	600	Flying along the black sea of Turkey arrival in subtropical Batumi- beach dinner
Monday 08 Aug	UGSB	Natakhari airfield (UGSA)	150	Arrival at the general aviation airfield north of the capital Tbilisi, which will be our home basis in Georgia
Tuesday 09 Aug till Sat 13 Aug	UGSA	Local flight to Tblisi Georgia (UGTB) - Official welcome by Georgian Government authorities in the morning. A dedicated tourist program will be put in place covering all the Georgian highlights. Local flights to mountains and wine region. Details to be published. Farewell dinner on Sat Aug 13th – End of rally		
Sunday August 14 WWW.GEORGIA2010	UGSA <sup>6.EU</sup>	Returning to anywhere in Europe		29 March 2016 5

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# From our hub nearby Tbilisi, Georgia pilots have options to either:

- Participate in the tourist program, which will be put together
- Discover the Georgian regions by plane
  - Svaneti and fly to the newly opened Mestia airport high in the Caucasus
  - Shkhara the highest peak in Georgia at 5200 meter ! and a part of the most beautiful and popular alpine climbing mountain chain – Bezengi
  - Discover the Kakheti wine region in passing landing in Telavi
  - Discover sub tropical Batumi at the Georgian black sea coast
- Individual fly outs to Armenia and Azerbaijan

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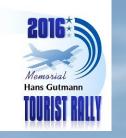


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## **EXPLORATION TOUR 2015**

### **2015: EXPLORATION TOUR OF GEORGIA**

An exploration tour of Georgia was organized in August 2015 with all 4 members of the 2016 FAI organizing team

We were welcomed by Georgian Minister of State for EU and NATO integration, Davit Bakradze, (Picture 1) who showed a profound interest to support general aviation in his country.

Meeting with Georgian Civil Aviation Agency officials (Picture 2), also showing commitment to help European pilots with practical issues

Relations were developed with Serviceair Vanilla Sky airfield owner (Picture 3), who's also owning the Natakhari general aviation airfield

Contact established with Tbilisi int. Airport director.

Airfields of coastal Batumi, mountain airfield Mestia and wine region airfield Telavi as well as Tbilisi intl airport were visited from our base at Natakhari airfield (Vanilla Sky operations)

Tourist highlights and the famous cuisine of Tbilisi and Georgia were explored

Contacts with the tourist board of Georgia were established, willingness to help WWW.GEORGIA2016.EU
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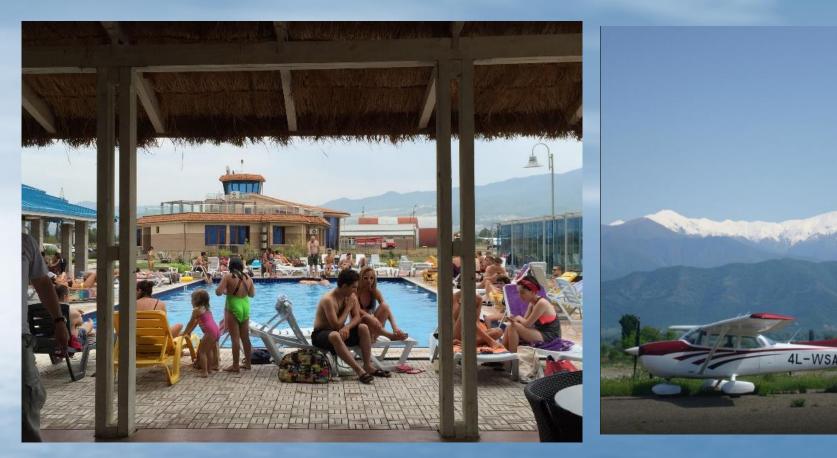
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OFFICE OF THE STATE MINISTER OF GEORGIA ON EUROPEAN AND EURO-ATLANTIC INTEGRATION Pic 1: our delegation was welcomed by Georgian State Minister Davit Bakradze in person and we discussed for more than an hour with him about general aviation topics. He is committed to actively support our 2016 rally to his country

Pic 2: a fruitful meeting was held with the Georgian Civil aviation agency - willingness to support

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Pic 3: warmly welcomed by the owner Amiran of Service air and Vanilla Sky who is the first privately held company developing and promoting General Aviation in Georgia



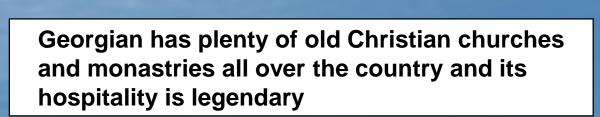
Georgian cuisine is one the best and richest ones of the world



Natakhari airfield (33 km north of Tbilisi intl airport) from is an excellent and modern concept general aviation airport: it includes a restaurant, a hotel with swimming pool directly next to the tower.



Runway - (10/28) 948mX18m; Surface - cement concrete; Taxiway - no1; Rescue and Fire Fighting category - II; No ICAO Code Aerodrome used by Visual Flight Rules (VFR);



RUSSIA

Ts'khinvali

Gori

T'bilisi

ARMENIA

44°

Bolni

Tiflis) Rustavi

T'elavi

AZERBAIJAN

25/50 km

50 mi

GEORGIA

Zestap'oni

Borjomi

Khashuri (

Georgia

Sokhumi

Tquarch'eli

Zugdidi

Samtredia

K'obulet'i

Bat'umi

42°

Ozurgeti

TURKEY

Chiat'ura

Senaki
 K'ut'aisi

Gudaut'a

Gagra

Black

Sea

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Georgia: there are palm trees in Batumi and the highest mountains and the most scenic views

New Mestia airport