



3RD CIS GAMES
AZERBAIJAN
2025

VICTORY
IN EVERY HEART!

WELCOME NOTE

Dear friends!

Azerbaijan is proud to host the 3rd CIS Games and is delighted to welcome participants, guests, and fans to one of the most significant sporting events for our country.

Our republic has already established itself as a reliable organizer of large-scale events of global importance. Azerbaijan has repeatedly become the stage for major sporting competitions that bring together the best athletes and thousands of spectators from around the world. Over the years, Azerbaijan has hosted the 1st European Games in 2015, the 4th Islamic Solidarity Games in 2017, the European Youth Olympic Festival in 2019, the UEFA Europa League Final in 2019, four matches of the 2020 UEFA European Football Championship, and the Formula 1 Azerbaijan Grand Prix, held annually in Baku since 2016.

All these events have not only strengthened Azerbaijan's image as a sporting hub of the region but also showcased the high level of organization, advanced infrastructure, and hospitality for which our country is renowned.

The 3rd CIS Games will make history in our country as such competitions will, for the first time, be held across the regions. Seven cities of Azerbaijan are ready to open their doors, to showcase their rich culture, warm hospitality, and modern sports infrastructure.

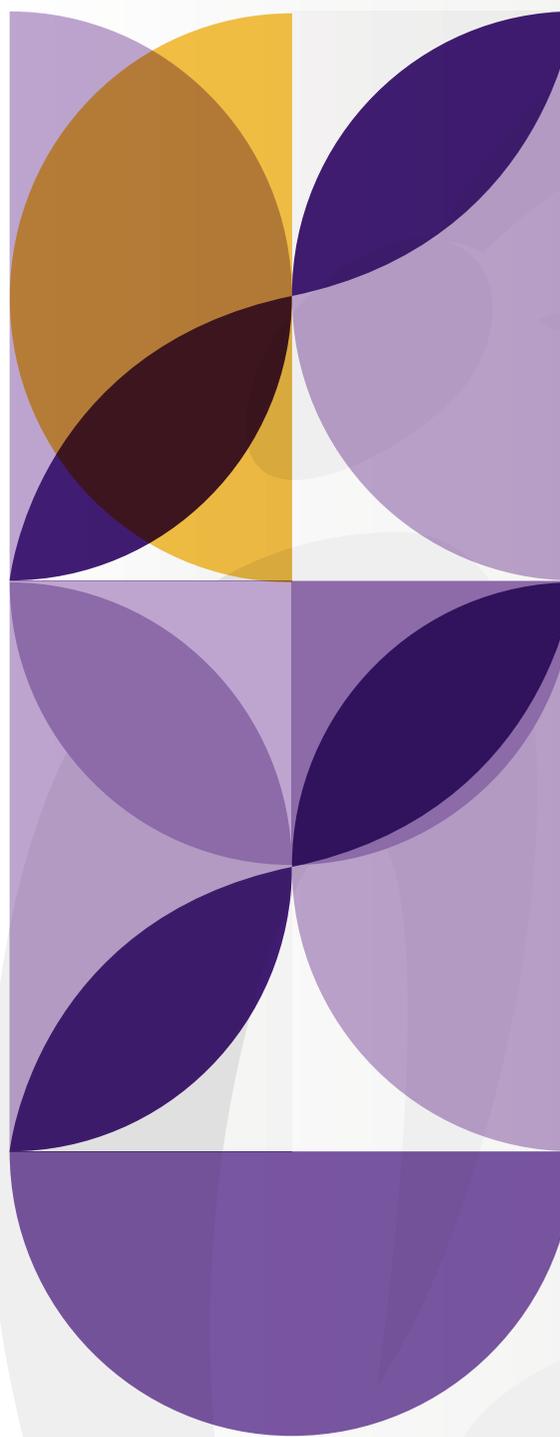
These Games will serve as a driving force for economic, sporting, and social development, will inspire young people, create bright memories, and leave a valuable legacy — new and renovated world-class sports facilities.

We have done everything possible to ensure the competitions are held at the highest level. An experienced and dedicated team has carried out all the necessary preparations. I am confident that we will provide the best conditions for our guests so they can fully enjoy this event. Together, we will create a celebration of sport that will be a source of pride not only for Azerbaijan but for the entire world.

I wish all participants brilliant victories, and our guests — warm impressions of Azerbaijan.
See you at the 3rd CIS Games!

Farid Qayibov

Minister of Youth and Sports of Azerbaijan Republic,
Deputy Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the 3rd CIS Games



Event Overview

What Are the CIS Games?

The CIS Games (Games of the Commonwealth of Independent States) were created to strengthen friendship, cooperation, and cultural exchange among member countries. First held in 2021, the Games bring together young athletes from across the CIS region, offering a platform to celebrate both sporting excellence and shared traditions.

The idea behind the CIS Games is not only about competition but also about unity. Through sport, participants learn the values of teamwork, mutual respect, and cross-cultural understanding. The Games serve as a modern symbol of solidarity, bringing nations closer through peaceful rivalry and cultural interaction.

Each edition of the Games is enriched with elements of national culture, traditional music, dance, and cuisine, reflecting the unique heritage of each country. In this way, the CIS Games help preserve and promote traditions while creating new friendships among youth.

In essence, the CIS Games are more than just a sporting event — they are a celebration of unity, diversity, and the enduring power of people coming together.

Statistics

Number of registered countries

13

including Azerbaijan

Total number of members of CIS delegations

2337

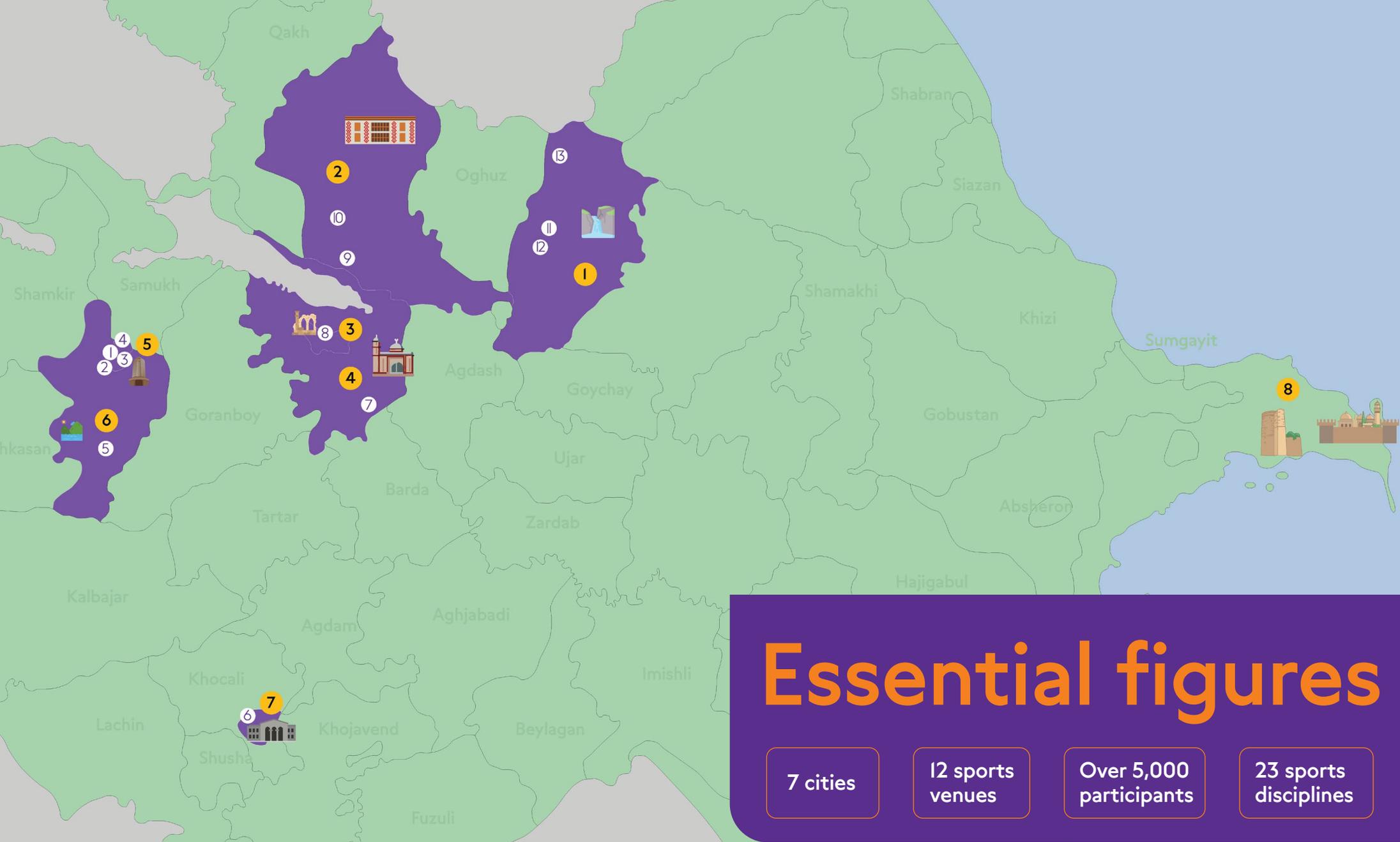
Number of athletes

1624



SPORTS

 Archery	 Badminton	 Basketball 3×3	 Boxing	 Canoe	 Chovgan
 Fencing	 Football U-16	 Greco-Roman Wrestling	 Boxing	 Rowing	 Rhythmic Gymnastics
 Rowing	 Sambo	 Shooting	 Shotgun	 Swimming	 Table Tennis
 Taekwondo	 Trampoline Gymnastics	 Volleyball	 Women's Wrestling	 Wrestling	



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| 1 Ganja Sports Palace | 5 Goygol Olympic Sports Complex | 9 Shaki Olympic Sports Complex | 13 Gabala Shooting Club | 1 Gabala | 5 Ganja |
| 2 Ganja Olympic Sports Complex | 6 Khankendi City Stadium | 10 Shaki City Stadium | | 2 Shaki | 6 Goygol |
| 3 Ganja Basketball Court | 7 Yevlakh Olympic Sports Complex | 11 Gabala Olympic Sports Complex | | 3 Mingachevir | 7 Khankendi |
| 4 Ganja Central Stadium | 8 "Kur" Olympic Center | 12 Gabala City Stadium | | 4 Yevlakh | 8 Baku |



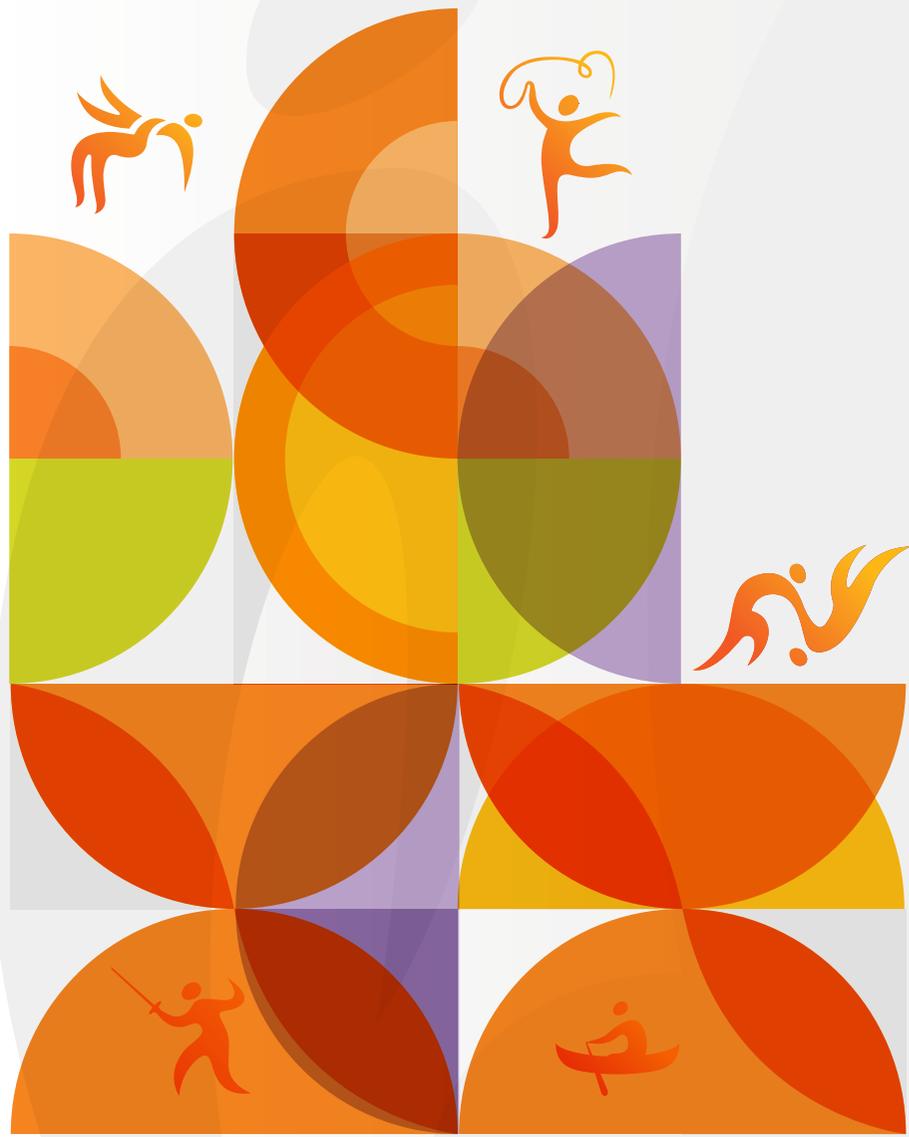
Preliminary Competition Schedule – 3rd CIS Games 2025

Note: This schedule is preliminary and subject to change. Please check for official updates.

Sports Venues / Cities	Sports	25-sep	26-sep	27-sep	28-sep	29-sep	30-sep	01-oct	02-oct	03-oct	04-oct	05-oct	06-oct	07-oct	08-oct	09-oct
City Stadium, Ganja	Opening & Closing Ceremonies				O.C.										C.C.	
"Kur" Olympic Training and Sports Center, Mingachevir	Rowing															
	Canoe															
Olympic Sports Complex, Ganja	Wrestling M/F															
	Greco-Roman wrestling															
Sports Palace, Ganja	Shooting															
	Swimming															
	Fencing															
	Volleyball															
Basketball Court, Ganja	3x3 basketball															
"Kur" Olympic Training and Sports Center, Mingachevir	Karate															
	Taekwondo															
Olympic Sports Complex, Goygol	Judo															
	Sambo															
Olympic Sports Complex, Shaki	Trampoline gymnastics															
	Rhythmic gymnastics															
Shooting Club, Gabala	Shotgun															
City Stadium, Gabala	Football U-16															
Olympic Sports Complex, Gabala	Badminton															
	Table tennis															
City Stadium, Khankendi	Archery															
Olympic Sports Complex, Yevlakh	Boxing															
City Stadium, Shaki	Chovgan															

O.C. Opening Ceremony C.C. Closing Ceremony Training days Competition days Awarding

OPENING & CLOSING CEREMONIES



OPENING CEREMONY

-  Date: September 28, 2025
-  Time: 19:00
-  Venue: Ganja City Stadium, the main stadium in Ganja

CLOSING CEREMONY

-  Date: October 8, 2025
-  Time: 19:00
-  Venue: Same Ganja City Stadium, where the Opening Ceremony was held



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Media Accreditation

ACCREDITATION CENTER LOCATIONS

GANJA SPORTS PALACE

Ganja Sports Palace. Nizami Ganjavi, Ganja, AZ2000

Pre-Opening Days: 25.09.2025 - 08.10.2025 / 09:00-19:00

Games Time: 27.09.2025 - 08.10.2025 / 09:00-19:00

GABALA SHOOTING CENTER

Gabala AZ 3600 Bum settlement

Pre-Opening Days: 25.09.2025 - 08.10.2025 / 09:00-19:00

Games Time: 27.09.2025 - 08.10.2025 / 09:00-19:00

GOYGOL OLYMPIC SPORTS COMPLEX

Fikrat Amirov Street, Goygol

Pre-Opening Days: 25.09.2025 - 08.10.2025 / 09:00-19:00

Games Time: 27.09.2025 - 08.10.2025 / 09:00-19:00

"KUR" OLYMPIC TRAINING AND SPORTS CENTER

Islam Islamzada street, 98A, Mingachevir

Pre-Opening Days: 25.09.2025 - 08.10.2025 / 09:00-19:00

Games Time: 27.09.2025 - 08.10.2025 / 09:00-19:00

SHAKI OLYMPIC SPORTS COMPLEX

Salman Mumtaz street, I, Shaki

Pre-Opening Days: 25.09.2025 - 08.10.2025 / 09:00-19:00

Games Time: 27.09.2025 - 08.10.2025 / 09:00-19:00

YEVLAKH OLYMPIC SPORTS COMPLEX

The southeastern part of Yevlakh city, right bank of the Kura River

Pre-Opening Days: 25.09.2025 - 08.10.2025 / 09:00-19:00

Games Time: 27.09.2025 - 08.10.2025 / 09:00-19:00

KHANKENDI BUSINESS CENTER - KHANKANDI

20, February str.

Pre-Opening Days: 25.09.2025 - 08.10.2025 / 09:00-19:00

Games Time: 27.09.2025 - 08.10.2025 / 09:00-19:00



How to Collect Badges

Accreditation procedures and badge collection

- Accreditation cards can be picked up by media representatives at any of the seven Accreditation Centers by presenting a valid passport/identification card (for local media representatives).
- Each participant varies responsibility for his/her accreditation card
- The accreditation pass is reflecting the permitted venues & zones during the event
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- The accreditation passes and the rights attached to it are personal to the party named hereon Organizing Committee, is non-transferable and must be clearly displayed at all times
- Photographing, Posting and/or Sharing Images of any accreditation pass online or via social media is strictly prohibited
- Accreditation cards which are damaged in such a way that the photograph and/or the personal information is not legible or that the access control system is not able to read the card, should also be returned for replacement at any accreditation facility that provides accreditation card printing
- Lost and stolen accreditation cards should be reported immediately to the nearest accreditation center or notified through email to security@cisgames2025.az





Immediate contact

Email: mediacervices@cisgames2025.az



Hot Line:

+994992084565



Help Desk

Contact Information:

Please contact the following numbers in case you have questions or need assistance:

PR and Communications:

Mobile: (+994) 55 839 1608

Media Accreditation:

Email: media.accreditation@cisgames2025.az

Mobile: (+994) 99 203 92 56

Media Accommodation, Catering, Transport and Venue Services Hotline:

Email: mediaservices@cisgames2025.az

Mobile: (+994) 99 208 45 65

Facilities at Center

- Press Room at all venues, equipped with power supply, high-speed internet, printer, workstations, and lockers.
- Media Tribune at all venues for media representatives.
- Photo Positions across all field of play to ensure optimal angles and coverage.
- Mix Zones or Flash Interview positions at all venues to facilitate interviews between athletes and media representatives.
- Refreshment Areas at all venues for media comfort and short breaks.
- Storage Facilities at Yevlakh Olympic Sports Complex and Ganja Sport Palace for safe keeping of media equipment.
- Media Help Desk at Ganja Sport Palace, providing on-site assistance and guidance for media representatives
- Media Meeting Points at all venues, designated as gathering areas for access to photo positions and mix zones
- Main Media Center at Ganja Sport Palace, featuring:
 - Open workspace with high-speed Wi-Fi and LAN connectivity
 - Media refreshment zone
 - Centralized media help desk
 - A3/A4 Printers





MEDIA CENTER WORKING TIME:

27.09.2025

every day from 09:00- 21:00

Media Center adress Ganja Sport Palace, Floor -1

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Each venue will have a designated Media Meeting Point to support coordination of media activities on site. Clear signage will guide media representatives to the meeting point upon arrival. At each Media Meeting Point, a representative from the CIS Organizing Committee's Media Team will be present to assist with any inquiries and provide guidance inside the venue.

SERVICES PROVIDED AT MEDIA MEETING POINT:

- Photo bib distribution (for accredited photographers) for access to Field of Play
- Mix Zone attendee registration
- Resolution of any Media related inquiries



PHOTO & VIDEO GUIDELINES (RIGHTS USAGE, ACCESS PERMISSIONS)

ACCREDITATION PROCEDURE

Upon arrival photographers must check in at Accreditation desk in host city with valid ID. After verification they will receive an accreditation card.

PHOTO BIBS

Photo bibs are distributed in Media Meeting Points at the venue. All photographers should wear bibs in order to access photo positions. All bibs should be returned Media Meeting Points at the end of the competition.

ACCESS CONTROL

Only accredited photographers are allowed into media-designated zones.

DESIGNATED AREAS

Photography is permitted only from approved locations.

MOVEMENT RESTRICTIONS

Movement between zones is regulated. No crossing into restricted areas during live competition

EQUIPMENT RULES

Gear may be inspected. Use only authorized equipment in field zones.

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Photography is permitted only from approved locations. Movement between zones is regulated. Photographers should use routes dedicated to media. Use of flash in the venues is strictly prohibited. Flickr will serve as the official photo sharing platform. All accredited users will have access to the platform to download the latest photos from the competitions. All photographers are required to adhere to the instructions issued by the media team."



Mixed Zone Interview Procedures

There will be Media Meeting Points inside all venues, clearly indicated with signage and roll-up banners. A Media Operations team representative will be stationed at each table to assist. Registration for Mixed Zones will take place at these points.

Once a media representative is registered, they will receive a complimentary badge labeled "Mixed Zone Access." A Media Volunteer will then escort the media representative to the Mixed Zone.





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Media Transport & Accommodation

ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE ASSISTANCE:

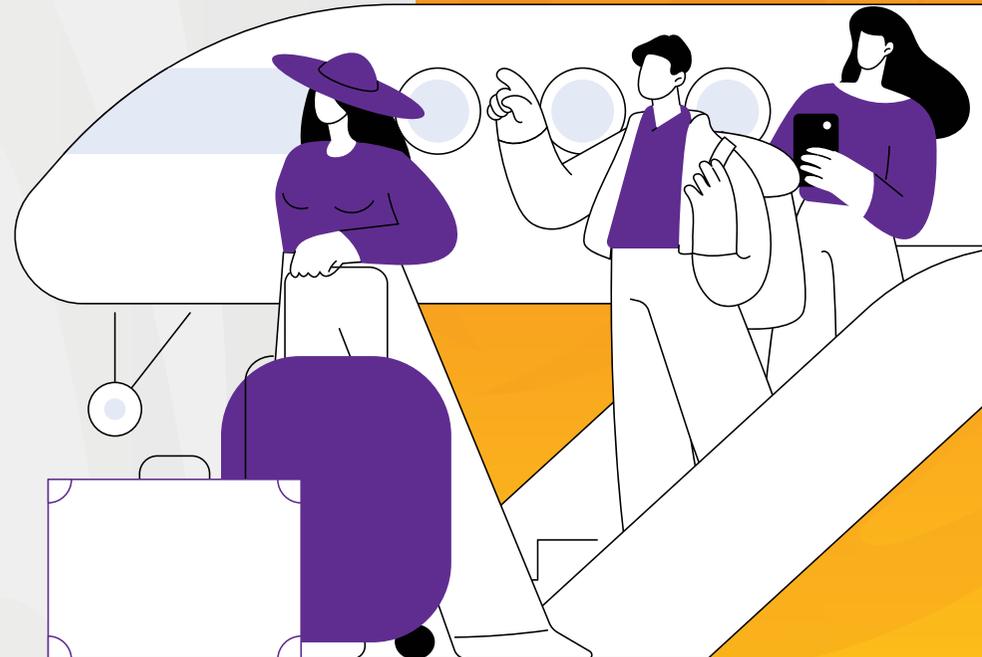
1. Arrival:

✈️ Airport → Media Hotel 🏨

2. Departure:

🏨 Media Hotel → Airport ✈️

Airside operations will be managed by the Arrival and Departure Team, serving as the first point of contact for international attendees of the CIS Games. Transport services will be provided to all CIS Games attendees who present either a valid accreditation confirmation letter or their official accreditation. Pre-scheduled group airport-hotel shuttle transfers will be arranged for international media arrivals and departures. During departure times, the CIS Transport Team will operate scheduled shuttle services from designated pickup points for all event attendees.



Registration Confirmation Message for Transport Access

Please ensure you bring a copy of this message with you—either printed or saved as a screenshot on your phone—as it will be required to access event dedicated transportation to the Accreditation Centre for collection of your accreditation pass.in russian.

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SHUTTLE №	GVD	Kurdemir		Deluxe Hotel		Leon Hotel		Ganja Hotel		Dashli Gala		Baku Hotel		Ramada Hotel		Sport Palace		GGL OIK		Naghil Baghi	
SHUTTLE 1	8:00	11:00	214 KM	14:20	168	14:30	1.8	14:40	1.3	14:45	1.5	14:55	0.5	15:05	2.6	15:15	1.2	15:55	27.1	15:55	0.7
SHUTTLE 2	12:00	15:00	214 KM	18:20	168	18:30	1.8	18:40	1.3	18:45	1.5	18:55	0.5	19:05	2.6	19:15	1.2	19:55	27.1	19:55	0.7
SHUTTLE 3	16:00	19:00	214 KM	22:20	168	22:30	1.8	22:40	1.3	22:45	1.5	22:55	0.5	23:05	2.6	23:15	1.2	23:55	27.1	23:55	0.7
SHUTTLE 4	20:00	23:00	214 KM	2:20	168	2:30	1.8	2:40	1.3	2:45	1.5	2:55	0.5	3:05	2.6	3:15	1.2	3:55	27.1	3:55	0.7
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SHUTTLE 1	8:00	11:00	214 KM	13:55	144	14:05	1.5	14:10	1.1	14:20	1	14:30	0.9	15:25	50.5	15:30	0.35
SHUTTLE 2	12:00	15:00	214 KM	17:55	144	18:05	1.5	18:10	1.1	18:20	1	18:30	0.9	19:25	50.5	19:30	0.35
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SHUTTLE №	GYD	Kurdemir		Garden Hotel Gabala		Karvansaray		Bless Hotel		Shaki Palace		Marxal Resort		Shaki Park Hotel	
SHUTTLE 1	8:00	11:00	214 KM	13:55	142	14:00	1.29	14:10	1.24	15:40	82.6	16:05	7.17	16:15	1.73
SHUTTLE 2	12:00	15:00	214 KM	17:55	142	18:00	1.29	18:10	1.24	19:40	82.6	20:05	7.17	20:15	1.73
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SHUTTLES

**Media Hotel - Media Centre / MC - Media Hotel (based on each city)
incl. dates shuttles will operate | Approximate Travel Time | Frequency**

There are two hubs: Naftalan and Shaki.

From the Naftalan hub, media representatives will travel to Ganja, Goygol, Mingachevir, and Yevlakh.

Travel Time from the Naftalan Hub to the host cities:

Naftalan - Ganja : 65 mins

Naftalan - Goygol : 60 mins

Naftalan - Mingachevir : 45 mins

Naftalan - Yevlakh: 40 mins

Those based at the Shaki hub will travel to Shaki and Gabala.

Shaki - Gabala: 90 mins

Khankendi Shuttle Services: The shuttle service will be on demand and will provide scheduled services for media representatives from Naftalan Hub and Ganja (Media Center).

Also, it will provide scheduled shuttle services from Ganja Media Center to the other host cities:

Ganja--> Mingachevir--> Yevlakh: Travel Time 1 hour 50 mins

Ganja--> Shaki --> Gabala: Travel Time 3 hours 15 mins

Host City Venue Shuttles: Host City Mobility will be provided by dedicated Host City Media Shuttles, facilitating seamless travel between host city event venues located in Ganja, Gabala, and Shaki. Host City Venue Media Shuttles will operate on a scheduled loop, ensuring regular and reliable transport between venues throughout the day.

Host City Shuttle travel time between venues: Maximum 20 mins.

Frequency: Every 30 minutes, shuttles will loop between host city venues.





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Media Catering

Meal Schedule Menus / Special Diets Info (if available) Refreshment table

Accredited media representatives will be provided with full-day meal support throughout the Games.

At Competition Venues:

Lunch: 12:00–15:00

Dinner: 18:00–21:00

At Hotels:

Breakfast: 07:00–10:00

Lunch: 12:00–16:00

Dinner: 18:00–22:00

Refreshment:

There will be refreshment tables in all Press Rooms and the Media Center. Contents of refreshment table: refrigerator, serving table, water boiler, still water, tea bags, milk, instant coffee, sugar, stirrers, disposable cups, and napkins. These stations will be available throughout the day.

Hot meals will be provided at Ganja Sports Palace during lunch and/or dinner hours, depending on the competition schedule.

 Packed meals will also be distributed from

 Snacks are expected to be available (TBC) this station

Meal Access System:
All meals will be provided
via a voucher system.



USEFUL INFORMATION - most likely universal across all cities



Banks and credit cards

There are a multitude of ATM machines located around Baku, most of which accept international debit and credit cards. Larger bank branches are open Mondays to Fridays (shorter day) but are closed on Saturdays and Sundays. International credit and debit cards are accepted in most restaurants and larger shops.



Currency

The national currency is the Azerbaijani Manat (AZN). One hundred Gepik (coins) equals one Manat, and Manat notes come in 1, 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100 denominations. It is not possible to exchange currency into Manat in countries other than Azerbaijan, so visitors will need to use the foreign exchange desk at the arrivals hall at the airport or withdraw from ATMs around the city.



Electricity

Standard electrical power in Azerbaijan is 220v. Electrical equipment and appliances use the standard European 220-240v two-pin plug.



Gratuities and tipping

Tipping is not expected across Azerbaijan but is common in Baku. Occasionally a service charge is included on the bill, particularly in more established hotels and restaurants. Like any other place in the world, tipping for above-average service will be appreciated.



Language

The official language is Azerbaijani but many people also speak Russian, Turkish and English.



General Opening Hours

Office hours are officially 09:00 to 18:00 Mondays through Fridays. Banks operate from 09:00 to 18:00, while service hours are from 09:30 to 17:00. Shops generally open around 09:30 or 10:00 and close around 20:00. Shops are open seven days a week. Bars and restaurants are open until at least 23:00.



Smoking

Smoking is permitted in public areas across Azerbaijan, including most restaurants and bars. Smoking will not be permitted in any III CIS GAMES venue, except for designated smoking areas.



Taxes (VAT)

VAT in Azerbaijan is similar to that in most European VAT systems, with tax levied on the supply of most goods and services and on the import of goods. VAT payers are entitled to recover the amount of VAT paid on purchases (input VAT) that exceeds the VAT received from their taxable supplies (output VAT).



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Discover Azerbaijan

Nizami Mausoleum

The resting place
of the great poet
Nizami Ganjavi

Ganja

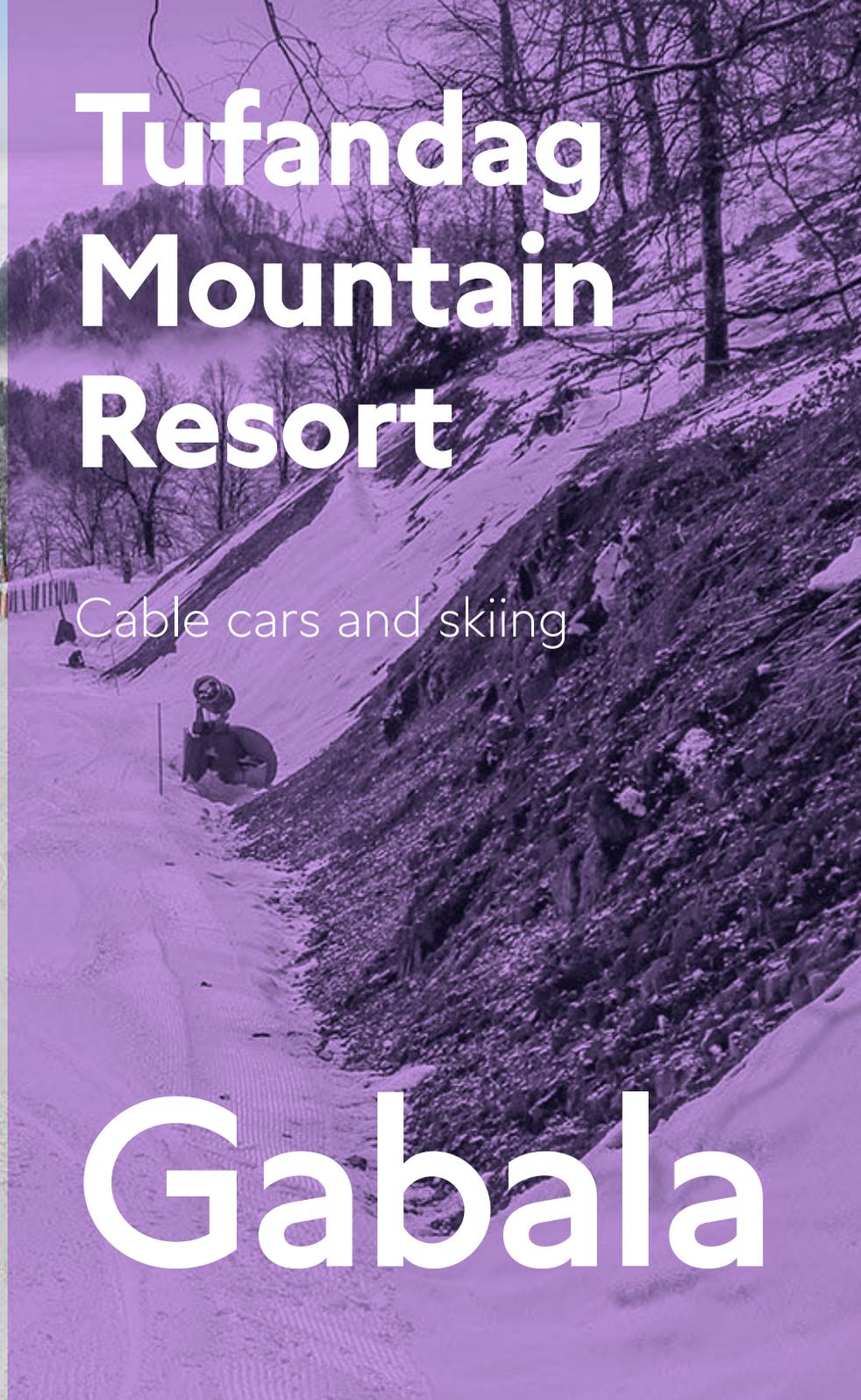




Tufandag Mountain Resort

Cable cars and skiing

Gabala



Gabaland Amusement Park

Family-friendly attractions

Gabala



Nohur Lake

Scenic lake surrounded
by forests

Gabala





Shaki Khan's Palace

Stunning 18th-century
palace with stained
glass windows

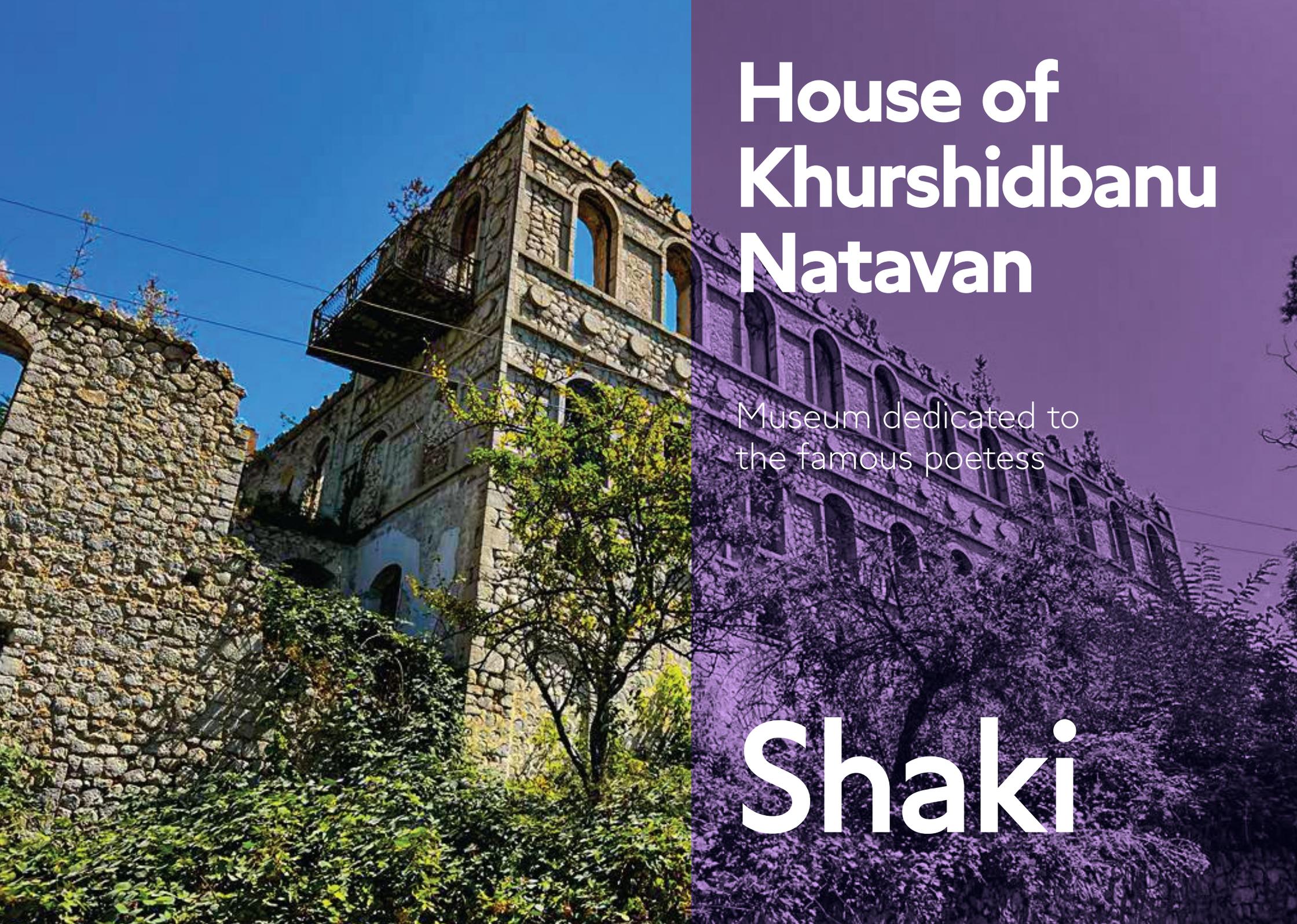
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Caravanserai

Ancient Silk Road inn turned
hotel and museum

Shaki





House of Khurshidbanu Natavan

Museum dedicated to
the famous poetess

Shaki



Yukhari Govhar Agha Mosque

Historic mosque
with twin minarets

Shusha

Shusha Fortress

18th-century citadel
with panoramic
mountain views

Shusha

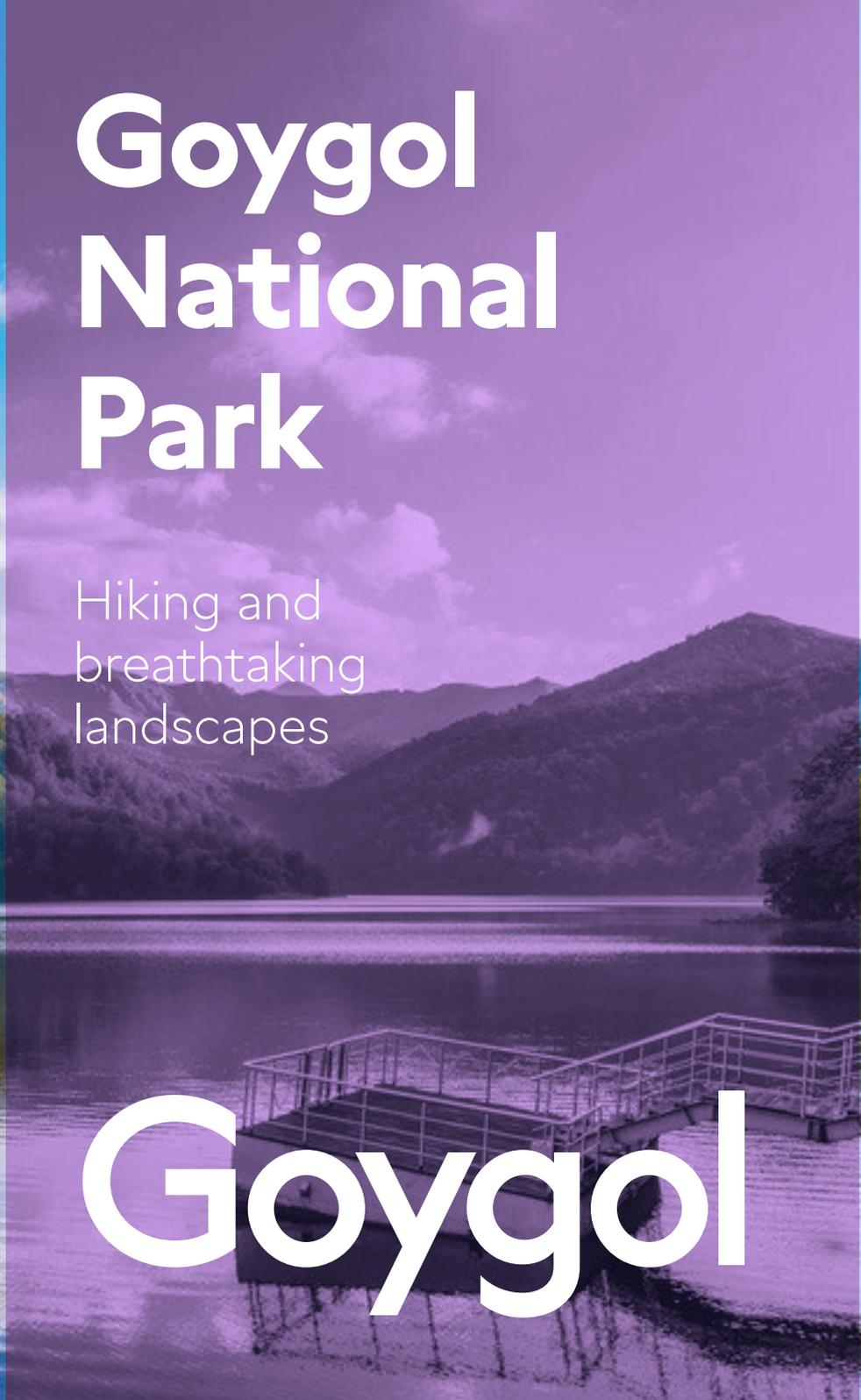
Shusha





Goygol National Park

Hiking and
breathtaking
landscapes



Goygol

Shaki Fortress

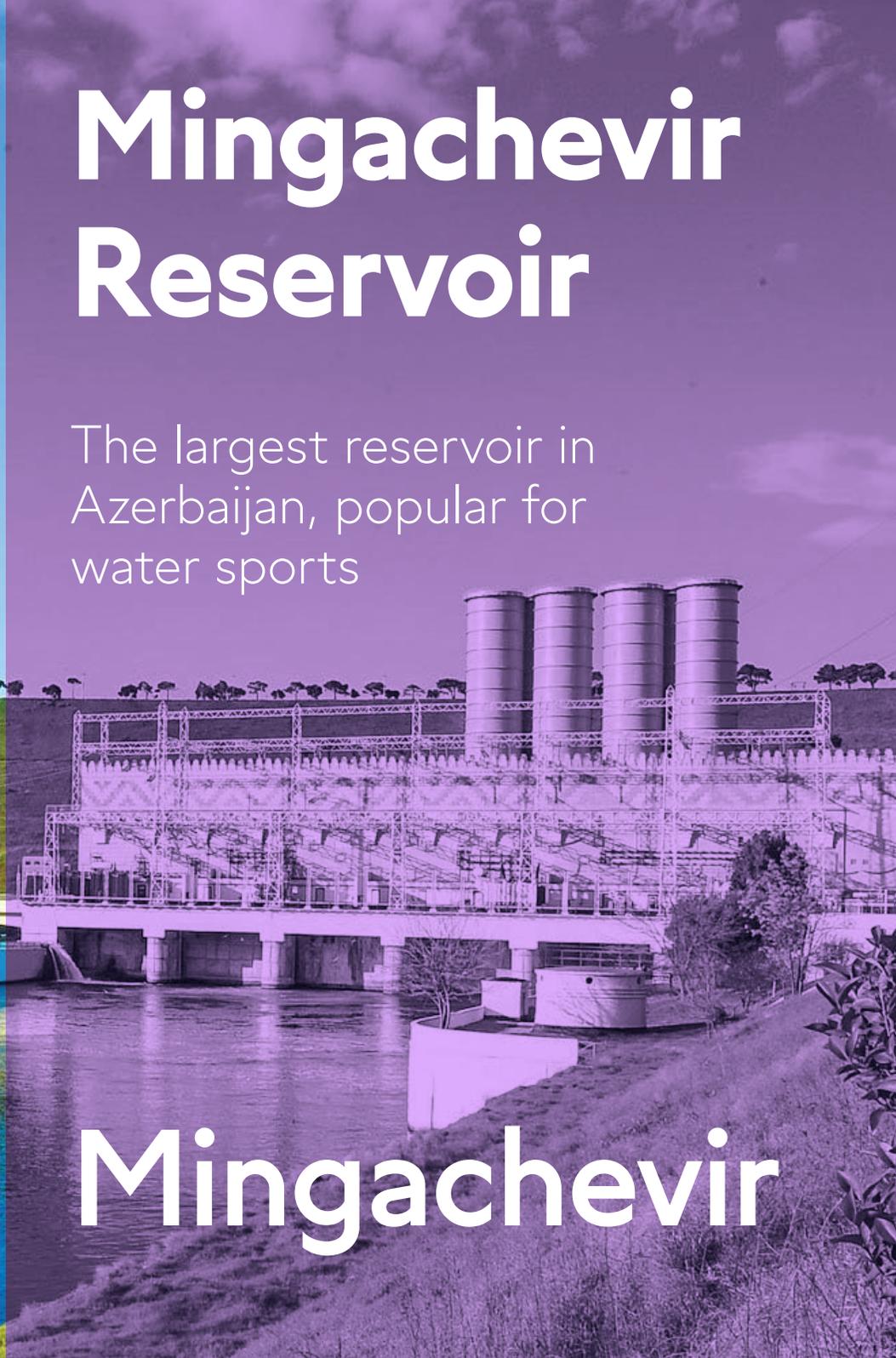
Ruins with panoramic
views

Shaki



Mingachevir Reservoir

The largest reservoir in Azerbaijan, popular for water sports



Mingachevir

Kur River

River cruises and
riverside cafes





Lake Goygol

Famous for its
crystal-clear alpine
water and nature
reserve

Goygol

Mehmandarovs Estate complex

Restored noble family complex
with a mosque and spring

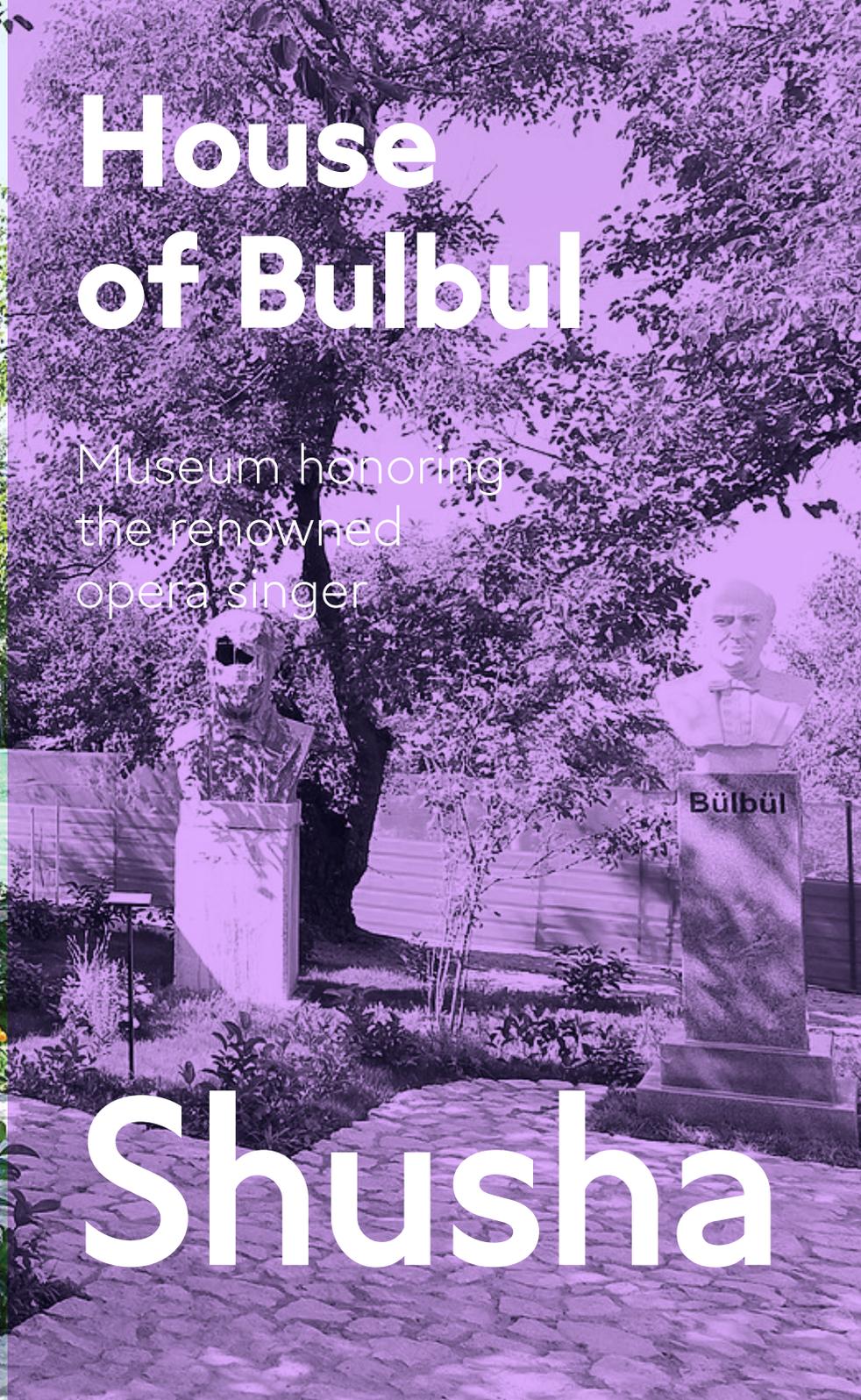
Shusha





House of Bulbul

Museum honoring
the renowned
opera singer



Shusha

Jidir Duzu

Scenic plateau known
for horse games and
cultural festivals

Shusha



A photograph of the Vagif Mausoleum in Shusha, Azerbaijan. The monument is a tall, slender structure with a lattice-like facade, set on a wide, paved plaza. The background shows a clear blue sky and some greenery. The image is split vertically, with the left side in natural colors and the right side in a purple tint.

Vagif Mausoleum

Memorial for poet Molla Panah Vagif with beautiful views

Shusha

Azerbaijani cuisine is on the UNESCO list.

Azerbaijani cuisine is rich, diverse, and deeply rooted in the country's cultural traditions and geography. Some specific culinary practices from Azerbaijan are recognized by UNESCO as part of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.



Dolma making and sharing tradition

**Inscribed: 2017
(shared with Turkey)**

About: The preparation of dolma — grape leaves, vegetables, or cabbage stuffed with minced meat, rice, herbs, and spices — is a symbol of hospitality and family gatherings. It's usually prepared together by family members or communities.

Lavash: traditional flatbread making and sharing culture

Inscribed: 2016 (shared with Armenia, Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkey)
About: Lavash is a traditional soft, thin flatbread, part of everyday meals and ritual ceremonies like weddings. In Azerbaijan, it's baked in tandir ovens and often made by a group of women.



Culture of Pahlavə (Pakhlava) & Novruz

Novruz itself is inscribed (2009, extended in 2016) as a multinational element (shared with several countries). Novruz traditions include preparing symbolic sweets like pakhlava (baklava) and shekerbura, which are essential parts of Azerbaijani festive cuisine.



CULINARY HIGHLIGHTS IN:

GANJA RESTAURANTS

AZERBAIJAN RESTAURANT
BIENVENUE RESTAURANT
ALTUNAY RESTAURANT
ZOLOTOY MANQAL RESTAURANT
MILLI SUFRE RESTAURANT
SHAH SARAY RESTAURANT

GOYGOL RESTAURANTS

CƏNNƏT MƏKAN GOYGOL RESTAURANT
OLIMPIYA RESTAURANT
GOYGOL LAKE RESORT RESTAURANT

KHANKENDI RESTAURANTS

ƏFSANƏ GƏMI RESTAURANT
QÜLLƏ RESTAURANT
SHUSHA RESTAURANT
HARMONIYA RESTAURANT

YEVLAKH RESTAURANTS

MIRVARI RESTAURANT
HƏMDƏM RESTAURANT
HAYAT RESTAURANT

MINGACHEVIR RESTAURANTS

ƏFSANƏ GƏMI RESTAURANT
QÜLLƏ RESTAURANT
HARMONIYA RESTAURANT
SHUSHA RESTAURANT

SHAKI RESTAURANTS

OLD TOWN SHEKI RESTAURANT
XAN SÜFRƏSI RESTAURANT
KARVAN RESTAURANT
SHAKI HOUSE RESTAURANT

GABALA RESTAURANTS

FONTAN RESTAURANT
ASQARD RESTAURANT
GABALA XANLAR RESTAURANT
CASPIAN FISH&SEAFOOD RESTAURANT
CHALET STEAK AND WINE HOUSE RESTAURANT

NAFTALAN RESTAURANTS

GARABAG SPA & RESORT
PALMA RESTAURANT
QALALTI SPA & RESORT

Media Tour to Shusha and Khankendi

Tour Date: 30.09.2025

Tour Plan :

08:00 - Departure (from the accommodation)

10:00 - Arrival in Shusha

10:15 - Breakfast at Yasəmən Hotel

11:15 - Exploring Shusha

13:00 - Arrival in Khankendi (20 minutes drive)

13:15 - Lunch in Khankendi

14:30 - Sightseeing in the city

15:30 - Return to Ganja

ATTRACTIONS:

Shusha:

Shusha Fortress

Shusha Administrative Building

Shusha Carpet Weaving Museum (+ activity)

Govhar Agha Mosque

Bul-Bul House Museum

Khankendi :

- Parliament Building
- Sightseeing in Khankendi

