

GEORGIA TRANSPORT & MOUNTAIN OFFLINE CHEAT SHEET

Marshrutkas, trains, airports, insurance, money & emergency essentials

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BEFORE YOU LEAVE RELIABLE WI-FI

- ☐ Save your accommodation name, phone number, map pin and address - preferably also in Georgian.
- ☐ Download an offline map for the full route, especially before Kazbegi or other mountain trips.
- ☐ Save the exact departure station for your marshrutka or train.
- ☐ Keep some Georgian lari (GEL) in cash for minibuses, markets and small guesthouses.
- ☐ Keep your travel-insurance policy available offline in English or Georgian.
- ☐ Save emergency number 112. It can be called in Georgia even without a SIM card.

TRANSPORT QUICK CARD

Situation	What to do
Marshrutka	Confirm the exact station and destination before boarding. Didube serves many northern/western routes, but not every route.
Train	Georgian Railway sells tickets online/app and at ticket offices. Tickets are generally available up to 20 days before departure.
Tbilisi Airport	Municipal bus 337 links the airport and city centre. Current official fare: 1 GEL for 90 minutes; bank cards can be used.
Kutaisi Airport	Official airport shuttle serves Kutaisi centre; bus companies also connect the airport with Tbilisi and Batumi. Save the current timetable before landing.
Mountain trip	Check weather and road conditions before losing signal; remote services can be seasonal or limited.

For Kazbegi or other mountain destinations, save the exact return option too - not only the outbound route.

MARSHRUTKAS & MOUNTAIN TRAVEL

1 Find the right station	Tbilisi has several departure points. Confirm the station for your specific destination rather than assuming Didube.
2 Show the destination	Keep the destination written in Georgian or English on your phone. Confirm the day and approximate departure time for remote routes.
3 Carry cash	Lari is the safest payment backup. Do not rely on contactless payment in a shared minibus.
4 Ask about luggage	Large bags may go in the rear or on a roof rack. Keep valuables with you.
5 Have a plan B	If a route is full, seasonal or not running, compare train, coach, taxi/shared ride or an overnight stop.

SHOW THIS FOR KAZBEGI

ყაზბეგში მინდა წასვლა.

I want to go to Kazbegi.

TRAIN TICKET NOTES

- Official passenger guidance says tickets can be bought up to 20 days before departure.
- Bring the same identification document used for the booking; ticket sales stop 10 minutes before departure.
- Save the ticket locally on your phone before leaving reliable internet.

MONEY, DATA & ARRIVAL

- Currency: Georgian lari (GEL). Cards are common in cities; keep cash for local transport and small businesses.
- A local SIM is useful, but mountain coverage can still disappear. Keep maps and key pages offline.
- At Tbilisi Airport, bus 337 is the low-cost public option; at Kutaisi Airport, decide your onward city before leaving airport Wi-Fi.

INSURANCE, EMERGENCY & UPDATE CHECK

MANDATORY TRAVEL INSURANCE

- Since 1 January 2026, tourists entering Georgia must have health and accident insurance.
- Minimum insured amount: 30,000 GEL.
- The policy may be shown on paper or electronically and must be in Georgian or English.
- Border officers are authorized to check that the tourist holds the policy.

EMERGENCY: 112

112 is Georgia's single emergency number for police, fire/rescue and ambulance. The official service says it works 24/7 across Georgia and can be called from a mobile phone without a SIM card. English and Russian are among the languages supported by call-takers.

OFFICIAL SOURCES TO RE-CHECK ONLINE

- 112.gov.ge - emergency service
- matsne.gov.ge - Georgian legislation
- railway.ge - Georgian Railway
- airport.ge - Tbilisi Airport transport
- kutaisi.aero - Kutaisi Airport transport



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Scan when you have internet to open the latest Georgia Essentials offline pack. This PDF is designed as a backup, not a substitute for checking current weather, road conditions or entry rules.

<https://georgiaessentials.com/offline.html>