



ROOMS HOTEL KAZBEGI A MEMBER OF DESIGN HOTELS™

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DESCRIPTION:

With peaks reaching a formidable 5,000 metres, the dramatic Caucasus Mountain Range delivers a spectacular backdrop for this retreat – the first of its kind – in northern Georgia. Comprising 156 guestrooms, each with breathtaking vistas, the warm structure of wood, glass and steel has been designed by young Tbilisi-based duo Nata Janberidze and Ketii Toloraia. A restaurant serving traditional Georgian fare interspersed with a host of international dishes is accompanied by a cozy bar with its own fireplace and cigar menu. Meanwhile a sweeping sun terrace provides a place to relax and soak in the rugged surroundings. Other facilities comprise a spacious lobby lounge, library, casino and indoor swimming pool, also with spectacular views of the mountains. For the more adventurous, a range of outdoor activities from quad-bike tours to heliskiing is on offer, while culture enthusiasts can explore the nearby landmark Gergeti Trinity Church.

LOCATION:

Close to the Russian border, in a remote part of northern Georgia, lies the formidable span of the Caucasus Mountains. In the center of the range, about halfway between the Black Sea and the Caspian Sea, is the small town of Stepantsminda. Formerly known as Kazbegi - after the poet whose epics are inspired by the rugged landscape - the village not only boasts the historic Georgian Military Road (the major route that runs between Georgia and Russia) but also features the must-see landmark Gergeti Trinity Church at an elevation of 2170 meters. However, it's the nearby dormant volcano, Mount Kazbek (Georgia's third highest peak, which was first climbed by three Englishmen from the London Alpine Club in 1868) along with a spectrum of wild flowers that has ensured this area as a long time favorite of mountaineers worldwide.

ACCOMMODATION:

156 rooms

AMENITIES:

Not yet provided

**FOOD & DRINK:**

Serving up a menu of traditional Georgian fare interspersed with some international classics, the restaurant's floor-to-ceiling windows allow for dramatic views and a light, airy space. Warming woods and leather furnishings provide an intimate hangout in the winter months, while the adjoining sun terrace entertains al fresco dining during summer. For an after dinner drink, why not retire to the comfort of the bar, with its cosy fireplace and specially designed cigar menu.

RECREATION:

Indoor swimming pool with views of the Mountains. Quad-bike tours. Hiking. Heliskiing. Bicycle rental.

MEETINGS & CONFERENCES:

One large conference room Large accommodating between 40 – 120 people. The small conference room accommodates between 10 – 40 people.

ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN:

This remote retreat was designed by young Tbilisi-based duo Nata Janberidze and Ketii Toloraia. Representing the new generation of young Georgian designers, the sleek hotel comprises a geometric structure with balconies and a sun terrace fashioned from steel, glass and timber, mimicking the local woodlands. Designed to be as discreet as possible, the lodgings blend into the surrounding landscape while the floor-to-ceiling windows in the lobby lounge and views through the rooms, keep the interior and exterior visually linked.

Also by the duo, the interior features a minimalist design that reflects the country's Asian and European heritage. Raw wood floors interspersed with embellished indigenous rugs and furnishings by Belgian brand Flamant and American outfit Restoration Hardware add a touch of rustic chic to the lobby lounge, which comprises a series of intimate sitting areas, cleverly divided by rustic wooden bookshelves. Cozy fireplaces and cocooning couches abound, while original vintage advertisement and movie posters from Georgia's Soviet Union times nod to the country's history. The rooms meanwhile are decked out in a palette of mushroom and taupe with the occasional splash of color, which adds warmth and interest to an otherwise chic and minimal space.

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