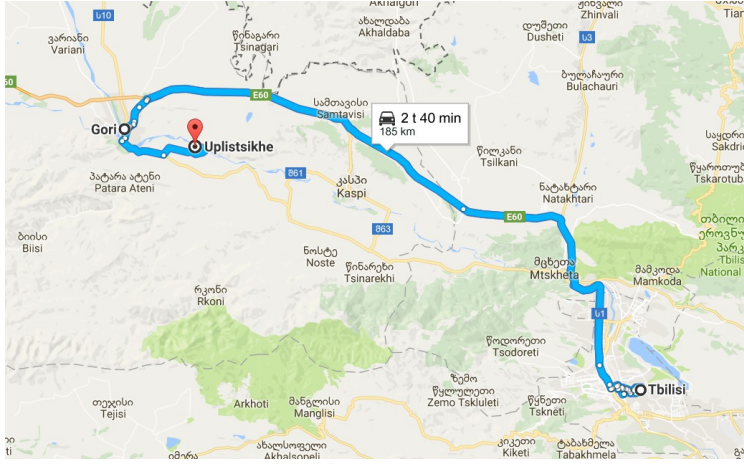


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Day 7, September the 7th, we were on a trip to [Gori](#) and [Uplistsikhe](#). Gori was founded in the 1100s. It was destroyed by an earthquake in 1920. In 2008 it was bombed and conquered by Russian forces.



First stop was at [Josef Stalin Museum](#) in Gori. It was opened in 1957. Gori is the city where [Josef Stalin](#) was born. Stalin was the leader of the Soviet Union from 1924 to 1952.



Outside the museum stands the statue of Stalin. It stood formerly outside the town hall in the city.



Inside the museum is a smaller replica of the statue.



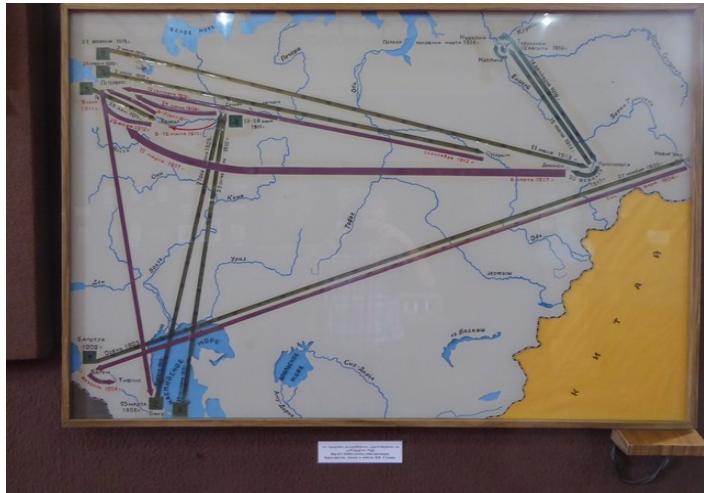
Here we are in the entrance hall.



This is the statue that stands at the top of the stairs.



In the various halls on the 2nd floor there are items from Stalin's life



Before Stalin came to power, he was arrested six times (1902-1913). This is illustrated in this image.



Model of a house that Stalin lived in.



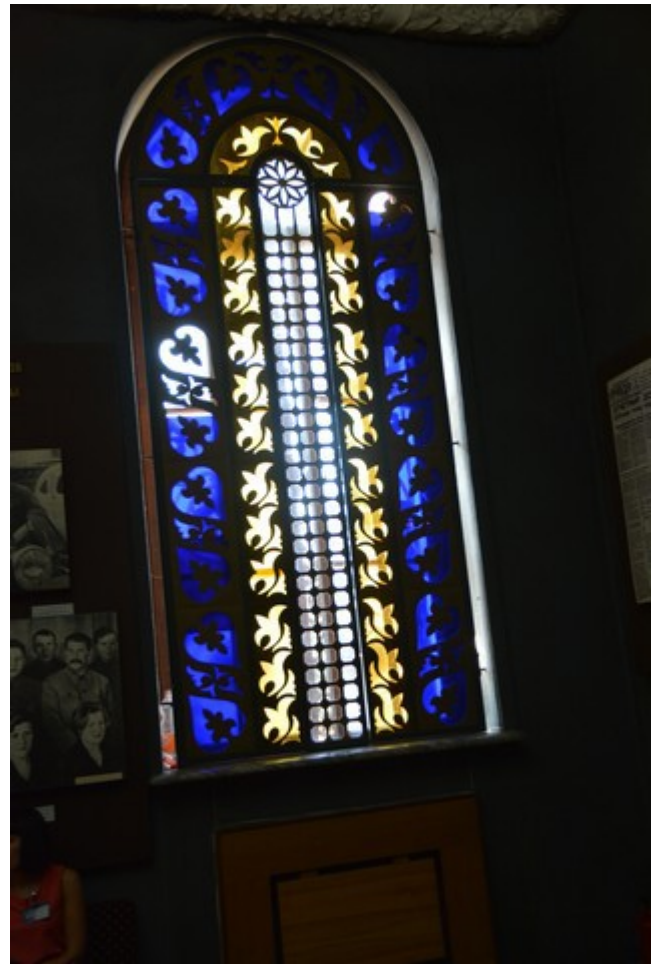
A model of the house where Stalin was born in 1878.



A suitcase.



The accordion was a gift.





Here is the house where Stalin was born.



Bed.



Inside the apartment where the family lived.



It would be election in Georgia on October 8, and we saw several demonstrations in connection with the elections.



The house where Stalin was born on the left and the Stalin Museum in the background.



Stalin's private railroad car.



Inside the wagon.



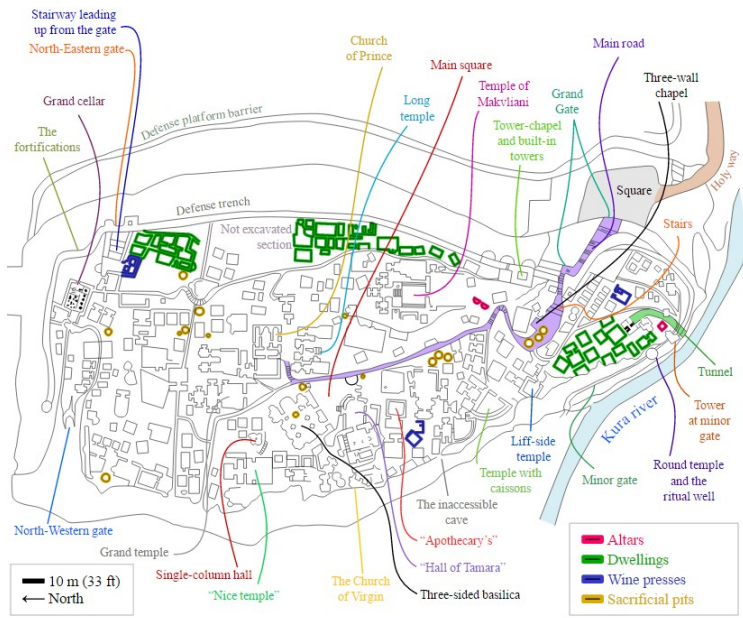
Next stop was in [Uplistsikhe](#). Here we are almost there and we ride across the river Kura.



We could see up to a large building. A basilica from 1000's.



This is at the entrance. We had to show ticket.



A drawing taken from Wikipedia that shows that it was a large and diverse area.



Then we are on the way up, but first we will be looking at the vegetation in the area.



This is an old tree.



In some places it is quite steep.

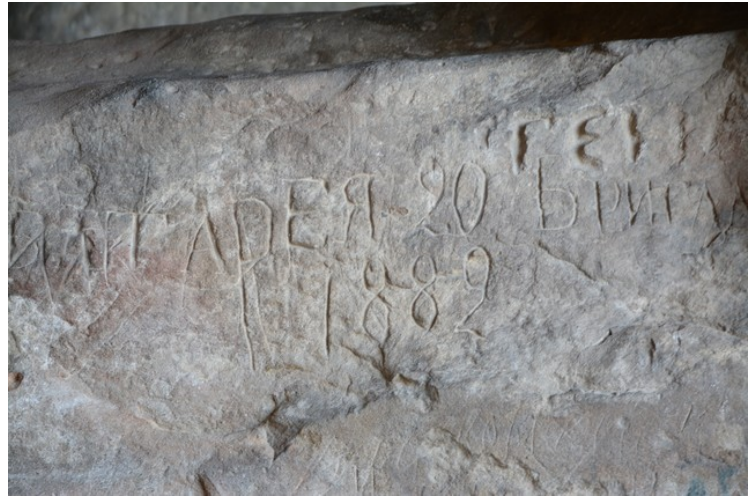


Then follows a series of pictures from the area.









Tourists have certainly toiled long to make this.





A door opening.



The rain water gather up here.



The rain comes in through this hole in the roof.



There are also ruins on the plain below.



Anne Berit and another in the group are taking a break.



She took pictures of me while I walked around and photographed





When we went down from the area, we walked down through this tunnel.



Here, we are outside.



This guy sat outside and fished in the river.



Amphora.



We ate lunch at a restaurant on site.



Inside it was covered for all of us.



The host retrieves wine in jars in the ground.

