

# Ride along the Valley of Lori

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## 5 riding days/ Intermediate

### Ride Overview

Immerse yourself in colorful nature when embarking on a riding experience through Armenian mountains and cantering across lush green gorges. The mountain forests and grasslands are full of biodiversity, and your trails along verdant canyons, valleys, and countryside offer the best natural views and tours to important historical sites. Picnic cuisine includes locally grown vegetables, native cheeses, bread, and wines served under the shade of oak trees. The camping tents will be set up over scenic hillsides where you will explore centuries-long traditions of the local lifestyle.

### Itinerary

**Day 1:** Arrive at Lori province and be welcomed with local food and drinks in the equestrian center. Start your ride through cultivated fields then continue across the Dzoraget Canyon. Pass through riverside orchards and find huge bare rocks and medieval hilltop forts along the way. On the opposite bank of the river, you

will also explore the medieval Hnevank. Following lunch, you will mount up again and continue on the old Stepanavan road towards the southern rim of the canyon. Dinner and overnight camping are in Dzoragiugh village lying on the verge of pine forests.

**Day 2:** Today's route follows along the Debed Ravine. Pass by Vahagni crossing the river over the bridge and appear in picturesque Yeghegnut (an area full of reeds). Next, your trek follows the ancient Dsegh road. Used by locals for more than 200 years the trail provides a fantastic opportunity to explore the natural beauty on horseback. Overnight stay in Concept Hotel by COAF.

**Day 3:** Your third day on the saddle starts with a scenic ride on sinuous and wooded paths leading to Dsegh. In the center of the village, you will Ride along the Valley of Lori multiday rides There lies the Valley of Lori, where the crags On either side, with deeply knitted brows, Stand unruffled face to face With a steadfast and unblinking gaze. Hovhannes Toumanyants visit the Hovhannes Tumanyan house-museum. Your next stop is the glorious Mamikonyants princely cemetery where you will explore a vast number of medieval khachkars as well as four-sided obelisks. On leaving Dsegh you may do some canter or a gallop on the field trails to reach the marvelous hillside Lake Tsover, surrounded by lush forests. Overnight in Tsover campground.

**Day 4:** This morning you will be left free to enjoy the beauty of lakefront scenery and experience other outdoor recreations. Following lunch, your descending path will lead you across the wooded Marts River Gorge. Then pass over the cascading river stream and reenter the woods bypassing Marts village. At sunset, you will reach the hillside village of Qarinj opening a panoramic view over the forested landscapes of the gorge. Dinner and camping in rural orchards.

**Day 5:** Your final destination is the medieval Qobayr monastery. Carrying on up and down across the hillside roads, you can enjoy the peace and the scenery of Debed valley. Finally, the trail leads you across the river toward the 12th-century monastic complex of Qobayr, prominent as a cultural, writing center, and the greatest point of strategic importance. After your tour is over you will be transferred back to your hotel in Yerevan.

### Ride Details

**Dates:** April to November

**Trip pace:** Moderate

**Route type:** Loop

**Daily riding hours:** 4

**Distance:** 56.5 km (35.1 mi)

**Horses:** Local,

**Group Size:** 2-10

**Weight limit:** 110 kg (240 lbs)

**Languages:** Armenian, English, and Russian

**Price:** AMD

<b>PAX</b>	<b>2-4</b>	<b>5-7</b>	<b>8-10</b>
<b>PP Price</b>	<b>220.000</b>	<b>200.000</b>	<b>180.000</b>

**Included: Meal (b, l, d), horses, guide, 5d accommodation, all transfers Not includes: all services are not mentioned as included**

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