

Hiking Trail

From Arajadzor village to Baghaberd fortress

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To get to the Arajadzor village, you can take a taxi or by walk. In this village there is another ARK Armenia camping place and house, where you can spend a night. The trail starts behind the camping site and follows the gravel road west. The largest ascent of this trail is in the first 4km. The first part of the trail goes from Arajadzor to Halidzor fortress and is already marked by wooden signs.

Total Distance: 16 km

Average hike time: 4.5 hours

Elevation change: 150 m



After following the trail for around 300m, you come to a crossroad. The left path is marked and is a part of Arajadzor – Halidzor trail and is a little bit shorter. The right one has vehicle tracks and is more used, therefore more maintained from vegetation.



Shortly after the lookout place, the trail to Halidzor fortress turns left down the hill. You follow the path straight, which later ascends.



After you climb a small hill, you come to a crossroad as seen on a photo. Take the smaller track left.



Following the trail, you come to the highest point. Enjoy the magnificent view. There are many small tracks. Follow the one, which is the closest to the forest on the left side. The track is not so easily visible on some parts of the upcoming descent, follow the direction to the village below you.

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The path should lead you out of a forest later. After coming to the border of the village, the trail joins the dirt road, which goes through it. Then behind the village, there is a crossroad. The larger road goes left and descends to the highway. Take the turn right on the damaged asphalt road, as seen on the photo.



Following the road, you enjoy many beautiful views on the valley below you. After you come to a crossing of four roads, go straight. By following this route, you will get to the highway. Don't be worried, you will not go on it for more than 100m. There is a water source marked with a traffic sign, refill your supply before the last climb to Baghaberd if needed. After that, turn right and follow the milestones and wooden signs.



Behind the crossing with the highway, the trail to Baghaberd is well marked by wooden signs and milestones. On the crossing of four paths, turn left towards the pipeline on the hill. The ascent is quite steep but the rewarding view from the castle is worth it!

