

Last call: don't miss the great event of Georgia!!

The amazing Black Sea and Georgian Backgammon Championship are waiting for you! Come to Chakvi and enjoy Georgia! **ADDED MONEY-PRIZE OF 10.000 EURO**

Georgia is truly a beautiful country, rich in tradition and with an important cultural heritage stretching back thousands of years. The ancient name of Georgia was Colchis, a territory that gave rise to myths and legends that are famous throughout the world, such as Medea and the Argonauts. Both the history and culture of Georgia are European even if its territory is in Asia, located on the Eastern shores of the Black Sea. It was one of the first kingdoms to declare Christianity a state religion in 337AD.

Georgia has a sub-tropical and thanks to this it is a large producer of mandarins, lemons and tea. Today Georgia is an independent republic and currently enormous efforts are being made to equip it with important infrastructure.

In particular Batumi, which is the main Georgian resort on the Black Sea and has an international airport, is being rapidly transformed into the Monte-Carlo of the Black Sea. Situated in the Southern region of Ajara, close to the border with Turkey, Batumi has some major hotels such as the Hotel Sheraton and the Hotel Radisson, and shortly an impressive Hotel Kempinski, a Holiday Inn and a Hilton will open. Construction has begun on the Batumi Trump Tower, which will dominate the city. There are currently five casinos but other gaming companies are planning their entry into the area. During my visit to Georgia in May, I was able to verify the quality of hotel facilities: I stayed at Hotel Oasis in Chakvi, 15 minutes from Batumi, where the Georgian Backgammon Championship will be hosted and where players will receive a 15% discount on the normal rates. It is a very comfortable hotel, surrounded by a eucalyptus forest and has Hyatt style furnishings. The leisure facilities by the sea are especially



Overview of Batumi bay

well-kept and meet all requirements. We shouldn't forget that Georgia is also very well-known for its special cuisine and its fine wines.

Goderdzi Bukia, Gogi's brother and the tournament's chairman/sponsor, wants to organize two free trips in and around Batumi in collaboration with the Department of Tourism in the Autonomous Republic of Ajara, to show foreign guests the beauty of the area.

Marco Fornasir, General Secretary of WBF, Worldwide Backgammon Federation



MAIN POINTS OF THE TOURNAMENT PROGRAM

On Wednesday 1st August, 2012 at 16:00 tournament play commences with opening rounds in the Warm-up (free-of-charge - for registered players only), the preliminary Swiss competition of the Georgian Nardi Tournament, Quarter Entries, One Point Matches, Jackpots;

On Thursday 2nd August, 2012 at 15:30 play continues in the Warm-up (second part - free-of-charge - for registered players only) and the final part of the Georgian Nardi Tournament. Quarter Entries, One Point Matches, Jackpots also continue. At 21:30 play commences in the Georgian Doubles Consulting Championship;

On Friday 3rd August, 2012 at 11:00 day trip to Batumi (free-of-charge); at 15:00 play continues, at 20:00 we will have the Welcoming Cocktail followed by commencement of the Main Tournament;

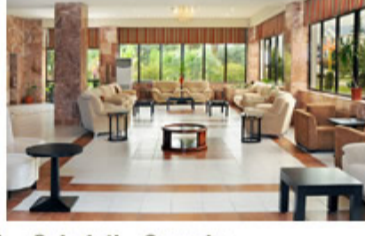
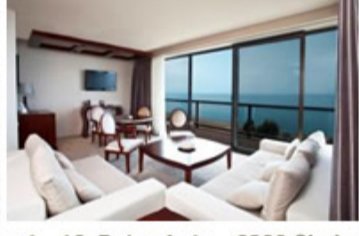
On Saturday 4th August, 2012 at 14:00 Main and Losers Brackets events are scheduled. The Ladies Tournament, Georgian Team against the World Challenge will also begin. At 20:30 night trip to Batumi (free-of-charge). At 23:00 play continues and also start the Super-Jackpot;

On Sunday 5th August, 2012 at 13:00 the Last Chance Tournament and at 13:30 Finals will be played, followed by the Gogi Bukia Memorial traditional Georgian dinner party and Awards Ceremony.

PRIZES

ADDED MONEY-PRIZE OF 10.000 EURO

100% of all entry will be returned as money-prize. The family of Gogi Bukia will donate 10.000 euro as added money-prize, that will be divided as follows:
 5.000 euro added for the Master winner
 1.000 euro added for the Intermediate winner
 2.500 euro added for the Doubles Consulting winners
 1.000 euro added for the Georgian Team against the World Challenge
 500 euro added for the Georgian Nardi Tournament winner



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Book immediately your room in the Oasis Hotel!

If you wish to access the **SPECIAL RATES (-15%)** for players, use the password "Backgammon".

We suggest you fly Turkish Airlines - www.turkishairlines.com



BACKGAMMON ON THE BEACH

16/19 August, 2012
BACKGAMMON ON THE BEACH 2012 - Grado Beach (Gorizia, Italy)
 The traditional summer Backgammon on the Beach as usual will take place on the main beach in Grado (Italy) the week-end after the 15th August. Two days of classes (Thursday 16th and Friday 17th August, 2012), The Isola d'Oro tournament (Saturday 18th August, 2011) and the Friuli Venezia-Giulia Championship (Sunday 19th August, 2012). The event is really good for junior player, they can start the game with the lessons and/or improve the game with the tournament. The tournaments are free-of-charge, but we appreciate a donation for the organizational costs. For the winners there will be cups, a complimentary WBF Golden Card 2013 and a Backgammon board.
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Stay tuned!
 The Mitteleuropa Backgammon Championship maybe will come back to Nova Gorica
 The HIT Park Center of Nova Gorica (Slovenia) where the Championship is born and where we organized from the 1991 till 2009 this traditional international tournament, after two years in Baden bei Wien, maybe will come back to Nova Gorica. The managers of the HIT companies thinking to host again this event.
 In case of confirmation, the tournament is scheduled the week-end 7/8/9 September, 2012 with two days of interesting satellites the 5 and 6 September, 2012.
 Stay tuned to know the news about it and if you want come, please, let me know.

THE XIV AUSTRIAN BACKGAMMON OPEN

The XV Austrian Backgammon Open, Austrian Doubles Consulting Championship & 25th Italian Backgammon Championship are scheduled at the traditional Hotel Veronika**** (Seefeld, Austria), from Wednesday 26th till Sunday 30th September, 2012.
 A new tournament will be dedicated to the junior players: Saturday afternoon the children will play in a tournament dedicated only to them. Bring your children in Seefeld this year!
 It is the best way to spend the last week-end of September in one of the most classic mountain resorts in Austria!
 The Hotel Veronika is waiting for you. See how beautiful it is at www.hotel-veronika.at
 Book your room now sending an email to veronika@seefeld.at
 The entire program will be soon on www.wbf.net.



Hotel Veronika, Seefeld (Austria)

WBF GOLDEN CIRCUIT MAIN EVENTS

- 13th / 15th January, 2012 - 2012 ISTANBUL OPEN BACKGAMMON CHAMPIONSHIP
Istanbul Armada Hotel (Istanbul - Turkey)
- 11th / 15th April, 2012 - XXIV EUROPEAN BACKGAMMON CHAMPIONSHIP, 9th EUROPEAN DOUBLES CONSULTING CHAMPIONSHIP, 11th VELDEN BACKGAMMON OPEN
Casino Velden (Velden - Austria)
- 25th / 27th May, 2012 - 2012 MEDITERRANEAN BACKGAMMON CHAMPIONSHIP
Sealife Family Resort Hotel (Antalya - Turkey)
- 1st/05th August, 2012 - 6th GEORGIAN BACKGAMMON OPEN - MEMORIAL GOKI BUKIA
Hotel Oasis (Chakvi - Georgia)**
- 5th/9th September, 2012 - 21st MITTELEUROPA BACKGAMMON CHAMPIONSHIP
HIT Casino Park (Nova Gorica - Slovenia) - To be confirmed
- 26th/30th September, 2012 - XV AUSTRIAN BACKGAMMON OPEN & AUSTRIAN DOUBLES CONSULTING CHAMPIONSHIP - Hotel Veronika (Seefeld - Austria)

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