

ქალაქ ქუთაისის მუნიციპალიტეტის მერი MAYOR OF KUTAISI CITY MUNICIPALITY

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To: Mrs. Caroline McLachlan

Chair of Newport Kutaisi Twinning Association

Dear Caroline,

Our warmest greetings from Kutaisi.

Many years of friendship and partnership connect our cities. As you know, during these years, Georgia has overcome many challenges to become a truly independent democratic country. Today, the country and our city are facing new challenges.

On June 21, 2019, the Russian Federation banned flights to Georgia, which could prevent Russian tourists from visiting Georgia. In response to this, a new campaign started with the slogan "Spend Your Summer Holidays in Georgia", which is aimed at supporting Georgian tourism industry. Because tourism is one of the most dynamically growing sectors of our city, we would like to ask you as our twinned city and great partner to join the campaign and spread information about Kutaisi as a tourist destination. As you know Kutaisi International Airport offers very convenient directions for tourists, namely citizens from 24 towns of 15 countries can arrive by direct flights in our city:

The wizz air, low cost airline offers the following directions: Italy, Spain, Austria, Czech Republic, England, France, Germany, Hungary, Poland, Greece, Cyprus, Lithuania, Latvia.

- 1. Rome
- 2. Milan
- 3. Barcelona
- 4. Vienna
- 5. Prague
- 6. London
- 7 Paris
- 8. Berlin
- 9. Memmingen
- 10. Dortmund
- 11. Budapest

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- 12. Warsaw
- 13. Krakow
- 14. Wroclaw
- 15. Gdansk
- 16. Katowice
- 17. Athens
- 18. Thessaloniki
- 19. Larnaca
- 20. Vilnius
- 21. Riga

From September wizz air adds 6 new directions:

- 1. Brussels, Belgium
- 2. Copenhagen, Denmark
- 3. Basel, Switzerland
- 4. Eindhoven, Holland
- 5. Bar, Italy
- 6. Tallinn, Estonia

Other directions:

- 2. Kharkiv, Ukraine
- 3. Odessa, Ukraine

The answer to the question why to visit Georgia and Kutaisi can be found in our image clip on the following link: https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1757405371037820

On the website of our Tourism center

https://www.facebook.com/tourismcenterofkutaisi/?hc_location=ufi you can find plenty of special offers of the private sector for tourists.

Finally, if possible, we would like to ask you to put this clip on your communication channels using the hashtag **#Spend Your Summer In Georgia Kutaisi**. This will be an invaluable aid for our country and city, and another proof that the relationship between our cities is fruitful, result-oriented and productive.

We are counting on your support.

Thank you in advance!

With Regards,

Giorgi Tchigvaria

Mayor of Kutaisi Municipality

