

Alaverdi monastery



Cultural sights Kakheti

Georgian Eastern Orthodox monastery located 25 km from Akhmeta, in the Kakheti region of Eastern Georgia. While parts of the monastery date back to 6th century, the present day cathedral was built in the 11th century by Kvirike III of Kakheti. The monastery was founded by the Assyrian monk Joseph (Yoseb) Alaverdeli. At a height of over 55 meters, Alaverdi Cathedral is the second tallest religious building in Georgia, after Holy Trinity Cathedral of Tbilisi. The monastery is the focus of the annual religious celebration Alaverdoba.