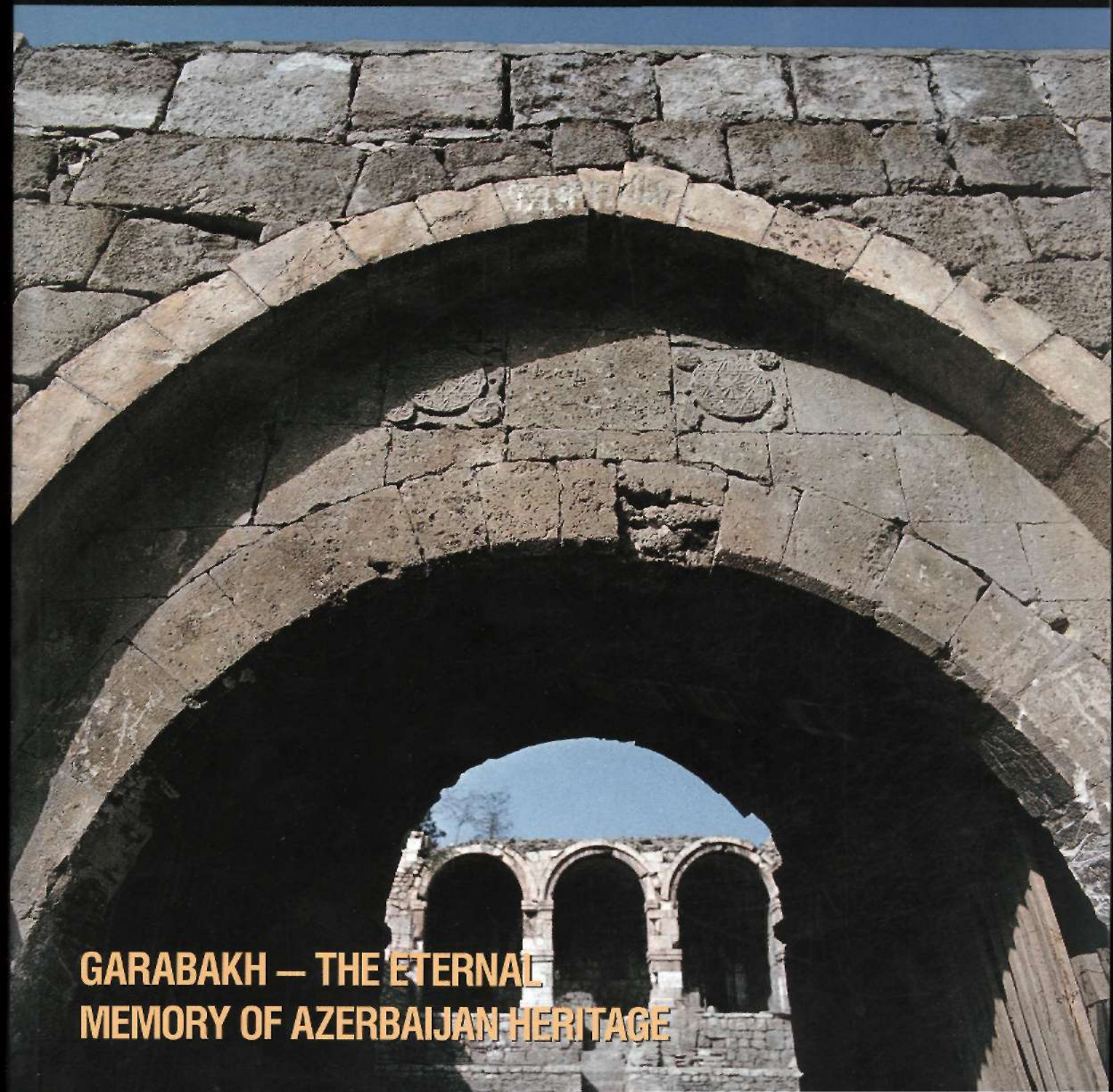


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Azikh cave

Azikh is the largest karstic cave in Azerbaijan, located in Khojavand Region, at a height of 900 m. There are 6 cells connected with each other. Azikh is one of those rare caves of the Palaeolithic period which started to be explored in 1960. In 1968, there was found a fragment of a lower jaw belonged to the ancient man lived 350 thousands years ago (Ashel period). This is the third found relic in the world. 10 cultural layers evidencing the ancient man's long-term presence in Azikh were discovered during the excavations carried out here. He was occupied with collecting, hunting and fishing. There were revealed some fireplaces with a large amount of charcoal and ashes remains. Azikh confirms that the territory of Azerbaijan was human inhabited 1 million years ago.