Adventure at the Kel-Suu Lake



Days: 7

Price from: 1200 USD

International flight not

included

Comfort: ★★☆☆

Difficult: ★★★☆☆

► Adventure ► Mountains

Fauna & Flora

This is a one week program, off the beaten paths. You'll see majestic natural spots and stay in yurts. Travel to an isolated region, to meet the few shepherds living in **Son Kul Lake**. Then head towards the caravanseral of **Tash Rabat**, before going to an even emptier and wilder region, the **Kel-Suu Lake**. This natural wonder with its turquoise water is a hidden gem.

This program is available from mid-June to mid-September.

Day 1. The green valley of Suusamir



Bishkek **♀ ⇔** 200km - **⊙** 4h 20m Kyzyl-Oi **♀**

Bishkek - Kyzyl-Oi

- Your guide will pick you up at your hotel at 9 a.m. You will head towards the splendid Suusamyr Valley, where you will have lunch.
- We then take a dirt road to the small village of Kyzyl-Oi. We follow the great Kekemeren River, where
 landscapes gradually change colors and take on a bright red tone. Once we reach the village, you can go for a
 walk in the surroundings.

¶¶ Lunch Prepared by your team
¶¶ Dinner Guest house
¶¶ Accommodation Guest house

Day 2-3. The Son Kul Lake



Kyzyl-Oi ♥ ♣ 180km - ② 4h Son Kul lake ♥

Kyzyl-Oi - Son Kul lake

- We continue our Kyrgyz adventure on a stunning road to Son Kul Lake. The road zigzags in a gorge, before climbing up to the **Karakeche Pass** at 3389 m altitude. We then reach Kyrgyzstan's marvel, Son Kul.
- We arrive on the shores of Son Kul Lake. This huge alpine lake is an important water reserve in Kyrgyzstan.
 Nestled in the celestial mountains, it is located at 3016 m (9895 ft) above sea level. Its crystal clear water changes colors depending on the weather, which can change every hour. The lake takes on blue, turquoise and sometimes even orange colors. It hosts nomadic shepherds and their herds in the warm months of summer.

Day 3

 You can enjoy the day, relax, and discover the daily life of our host family. You might be lucky enough to attend the production of Kumys, the local mare milk, or see how shepherds gather their herds.

You can also go for a small horseback riding adventure near the lake after lunch.

■ Breakfast	2 Guest house 3 Homestay
₹¶ Lunch	2 Prepared by your team3 Homestay
▼ Dinner	Homestay
★ Accommodation	Yurt Homestay

Day 4. Tash Rabat's Caravanserai



Son Kul lake ♥ ♣ 260km - ② 5h Tash Rabat ♥

Son Kul lake - Tash Rabat

Today, we travel in time with our visit of the Tash Rabat caravanserai. Located on the road to Khasgar,
China, this stone hotel is one of the best preserved monuments of the Silk Road. You'll be able to feel the
original atmosphere of this merchant spot when exploring the caravanserai. In the 15th century, it had many
rooms to host the traveling merchants, and sometimes their animals.

Breakfast	Homestay	
₩¶ Lunch	Local restauran	
▼ Dinner	camp	
★ Accommodation	camp	

Day 5. A wild and isolated lake: Kel Suu



Tash Rabat - Kel-Suu

• This morning, we leave to **Kel Suu Lake**. We head to the south via **Chatyr Kul**. We drive on a mountain road and cross a wooden bridge, before arriving in the Kel Suu Valley. We'll have to cross a river too, if the weather is good enough.

As we get closer to the Chinese border, we'll pass by a control point and have to register.

We then arrive at our camp, where we'll spend the night.

■ Breakfast	camp
Lunch	camp
Y Dinner	camp
★ Accommodation	camp

Day 6. Back to Naryn



Kel-Suu - Naryn

- After breakfast, we go explore the beauty of this mysterious and enchanting wild landscape. We take a horse
 to the Kel Suu Lake. Nestled at 3514 m altitude (11529 ft) between steep cliffs and caves, the lake has
 charming turquoise water.
- We take the road back to Naryn. The journey is a little easier, with only one pass to cross. We meet shepherds and their yaks on the way to the city.

Kel-Suu ♥

A 200km - ⊙ 5h
Naryn ♥

If Lunch camp

If Dinner Baktigul

A Accommodation Baktigul

Day 7. Kyrgyz culture



Naryn ♥
♣ 120km - ② 1h 40m
Kotchkor ♥
♣ 200km - ③ 3h 30m
Bishkek ♥

Naryn - Kotchkor

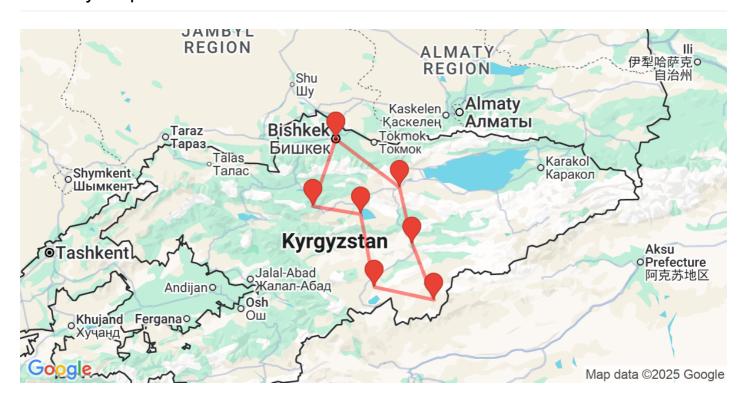
- We take the road to Bishkek, where we'll arrive in the evening. On the way, we stop by the village of Kochkor, famous for its local tourism development initiatives. We visit a women's association where they make felt rugs (sherdaks) and other handicraft.
- Then we'll get to see a traditional Kyrgyz music concert. The program includes the performance of a Manaschi, as well as national instruments and songs.

Kotchkor - Bishkek

- Finally, we arrive in Bishkek. Drop-off at your hotel where you'll be able to rest.
- We finish our trip with a visit of the Osh Bazar, one of the most fascinating markets in Kyrgyzstan. Enjoy the
 colors and the smells coming from stands of dry fruits and spices. You can also buy a few traditional
 souvenirs to bring home.

■ Breakfast	Baktigul
₩¶ Lunch	Local restaurant

Itinerary map



Individual price per person

2-2	3-3	4-4	5-8
2200 USD	1600 USD	1300 USD	1200 USD

Included

- 1 night in a guest house
- 1 night in a family
- 3 nights in shepherd's yurts
- 1 night in a yurt camp
- · All meals during the trip
- Mineral water
- · Driver, fuel and car
- English-speaking guide
- Local horse guides
- Horse rental
- Entry fees for museums and parks in the program
- Sleeping bags, cooking equipment and tent

Not included

- · International transport
- · Passport and visa fees
- Medical insurance
- Travel insurance
- Extra drinks / alcohol
- · Meals in Bishkek
- Phone calls
- · Any activity not mentioned in the program
- Extra fee for single room