# Births in the steppe



| Days:       | 14   |
|-------------|--|
| Price from: | 1100 EUR<br>International flight not<br>included |
| Comfort:    | ★★☆☆☆  |
| Difficult:  | ★★☆☆☆  |
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Nomadic lifestyle Travel with children

A stay **among nomads in Arkhangai** organized especially during the period of **birth of the animals**, from mid-March to May. You'll take part in all the nomadic activities bound to the births with several families of Arkhangai.

A stay prepared and organized in cooperation with AVSF and the Ar Arvidjin Delgerekh cooperative, respecting the habits of a \_\_\_\_\_\_ fair and sustainable tourism\_\_\_\_.

### Day 1. Arrival at Ulan Bator and visit of the city



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- Arrival at the airport, meeting with our driver. Transfer to your hotel, settling in, and rest.
- Appointment at 12 o'clock at your hotel with your guide. He will take you to the restaurant of your choice.
- Let's immerse ourselves in the heart of the Mongolian history, in the wonderful National History Museum.
   Three floors of a rich, glorious, violent and noble past, from prehistory to Soviet period, including the creation of the great Mongolian Empire by Genghis Khan.
- Walk in the centre of Ulan-Bator. Discovery of Gengis Khan Square and the House of Parliament.
- At 18 o' clock, Mongolian traditional show at Tumen Ekh: folkloric dances, contortion, and of course khoomi, the overtone singing.
- Accommodation

2 stars hotel

### Day 2. On the way to mini-Gobi



Ulan Bator ♥ ♣ 280km - ④ 4h 30m Khogno Khan ♥

#### Ulan Bator - Khogno Khan

- Visit of Gandantegchinlen Monastery. In the morning, lamas get together to pray. They will answer your questions at the Mongolian Buddhist Centre.
- We arrive at the splendid rocky formations of Khogno Khan. Discovery of the park : semidesert steppes, taiga, stunning rocky formations, 80-kilometre (49,71 miles) long sand dunes, are characteristic of this arid area nicknamed "*Mini-Gobi*".
- Pony trek until Erdene Khambiin Monastery. "Monk Erdene's Monastery" dates from 17th century and was built in the mountain. Zanabazar built it in honour of his teacher, monk Erdene.
- Visit of the sand dunes of Elsen Tasarkhai.

Breakfast

2 stars hotel

Lunch

Made by your team

T Dinner

Accommodation

Yurt for guests with a family

# Day 3. Hot baths in hot springs



Khogno Khan ♥ ♣ 185km - ② 3h Tsagaan Sum hot springs ♥

### Khogno Khan - Tsagaan Sum hot springs

• Arrival at **Tsagaan Sum hot springs**, to rest at a family homestay, and from where you can lounge in the hot springs of the near camp.

| Breakfast      | Made by your team             |  |
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| <b>Y</b> Lunch | Made by your team             |  |
| ▼ Dinner       | made by the family            |  |
| Accommodation  | Yurt for guests with a family |  |

### Day 4-5. Birth and combing out the animals



Tsagaan Sum hot springs ♥ ♣ 100km - ۞ 2h Tsetserleg ♥ ♣ 120km - ۞ 3h Ondor Ulaan ♥

#### Tsagaan Sum hot springs - Tsetserleg

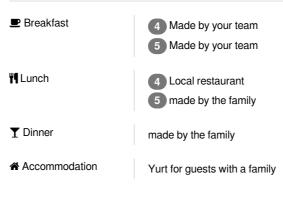
• Stop at Tsetserleg, small lovely village nested in mountains of larches. We'll buy fresh supplies at the local market and visit Zayan Gegeen Museum.

#### Tsetserleg - Ondor Ulaan

• We arrive in the sum of Ondor Ulaan where we'll stay at Nyambuu's, a yaks breeders member of the cooperative Ar Arvijin Delgerekh.

#### Day 5

• During our stay, we attend **many nomadic activities** that take place during this period of the year : births of the animals, combing out, and making Mongolian traditional dishes.



# Day 6. Among yaks breeders in Khangai



### Ondor Ulaan - Khangai - Myagmar family

- We take the road to the sum of Khangai, extreme Northwest of the **province of Arkhangai**, in the mountains of Khangai.
- We join Myagmar, a yaks breeder belonging to Ar Arvijin Delgerekh cooperative.
- Living with nomads and discovering the activities bound to the birth of animals, notably babies yaks.

| Breakfast     | Made by your team             |
|---------------|-------------------------------|
| ¶Lunch        | Made by your team             |
| ▼ Dinner      | made by the family            |
| Accommodation | Yurt for guests with a family |

### Day 7-8. Hiking in Khangai



Khangai - Myagmar family **9** 30km - **3** 6h Khangai - Erdenebat family **9** 

### Khangai - Myagmar family - Khangai - Erdenebat family

- Trekking in the Khangai area, with a yak pulling a cart.
- We join Erdenebat, a yaks breeder belonging to Ar Arvijin Delgerekh cooperative.

#### Day 8

• Nomadic activities : giving birth and combing out the animals.

| P Breakfast   | Made by your team  |
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| ₩¶ Lunch      | <ul><li>7 Made by your team</li><li>8 made by the family</li></ul> |
| ▼ Dinner      | made by the family   |
| Accommodation | Yurt for guests with a family                                      |

### Day 9. Making the dairy products



Khangai - Erdenebat family - Khangai - Bayasgalan family

- We drive to join Bayasgalan and his family, another family belonging to the cooperative. Journey on a mountain track in the splendid landscapes of Khangai.
- We'll discover the activities bound to the preparation of traditional dishes, and of course we'll see the animals in another environment.

| Khangai - Erdenebat family 오  |  |
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| 🖨 60km - 🕑 2h                 |  |
| Khangai - Bayasgalan family 🎗 |  |

| P Breakfast    | Made by your team             |  |
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| <b>T</b> Lunch | made by the family            |  |
| ▼ Dinner       | made by the family            |  |
| Accommodation  | Yurt for guests with a family |  |

### Day 10-11. Breaking and training a horse



Khangai - Bayasgalan family ♥ ♣ 60km - ♥ 2h Tariat ♥

#### Khangai - Bayasgalan family - Tariat

• We go to join another family belonging to the yaks breeders cooperative, who lives in the sum of Tariat, near the Khorgo Terkhiin Tsagaan National Park.

#### Day 10

• We join Munkhsukh, a horses breeder, who will teach you how to **break a horse** and how to **train it**. Munkhsukh makes his own harnesses.

#### Day 11

- Road to Khorgo Terkhiin Tsagaan Nuur Natural Park that is located 2060 metres (1,28 mile) above sea level. This lake, called "the great white lake", and its whole volcanic surroundings, are the emblematic area of the province of Arkhangai. The waters of the lake are full of fish and it's possible to fish if you wish.
- Hiking along the banks of the lake. We go towards Southeast where Khorgo Volcano reaches its highest
  point at 2240 metres (1,39 mile). (Easy) ascent of the volcano. From the top, we enjoy a splendid view of the
  lake and the surrounding hills. Nearby the volcano, stunning lava flows form an original landscape never seen
  up to now.

| E Breakfast     | Made by your team  |
|-----------------|--|
| ₩¶ Lunch        | <ul><li>11 Made by your team</li><li>11 made by the family</li></ul> |
| <b>Y</b> Dinner | made by the family   |
| Accommodation   | Yurt for guests with a family  |

### Day 12. Visit of the former capital of the Mongolians



Tariat ♥ ♣ 260km - ④ 6h Kharkhorin ♥

#### Tariat - Kharkhorin

- Journey to Kharkhorin, the **former capital of Mongolia**. The legendary city of Genghis Khan was founded in 1220 and was one of the stages of the silk road. The Mongolian Empire was governed from this city until Kubilai Khan set up the capital in Beijing. Today, there are only a few vestiges left of the former capital.
- Visit of Erdene Zuu Monastery, built in 1586 by a nomad prince. The Chinese and Tibetan-inspired buildings are surrounded with **108 sacred stupas**. Visit of the **Museum of Kharkhorin**.

| Breakfast       | Made by your team             |  |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|--|
| ¶Lunch          | Local restaurant              |  |
| <b>▼</b> Dinner | made by the family            |  |
| Accommodation   | Yurt for guests with a family |  |

### Day 13. Back to Ulan Bator



#### Kharkhorin - Ulan Bator

• Back to Ulan-Bator. Last herds of wild horses crossing the road outside our dumbfounded eyes, last yurts smoking far away, the steppe will be with us until the last moment.

Arrival in town and settling in at your hotel, where you can rest a few moments.

• Rest of the day free. With our guide, you can go and shop in the centre of the city.

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**#**Lunch

Local restaurant

Accommodation

2 stars hotel

# Day 14. Have a nice journey and see you soon !

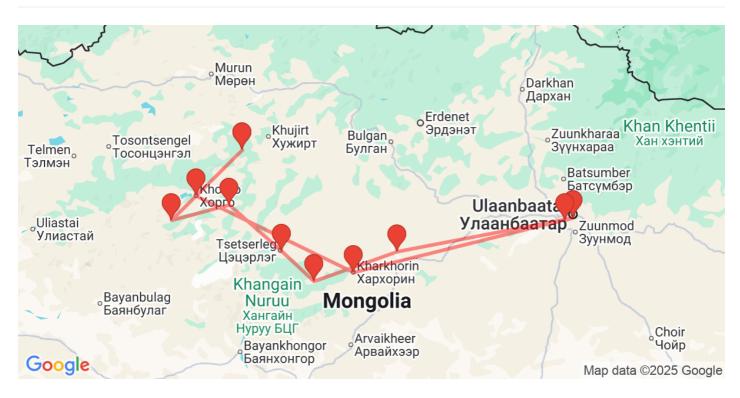


- Breakfast at the hotel. We go with you to the international airport of Ulan Bator. The transfer can be organized at the time you want, according to the schedule of your flight.
- 🕒 Breakfast

2 stars hotel

Flight back **Q** 

## Itinerary map



### Individual price per person

| 1-1      | 2-2      | 3-3      | 4-4      | 5-8      |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 3000 EUR | 1750 EUR | 1400 EUR | 1200 EUR | 1100 EUR |

You can go for a **private journey to the dates of your choice** for your very own group of people. In this particular case, **the price proposed depends entirely on the final number of participants** (please refer yourself to the prices mentioned below).

In the case of an exclusive private trip for you, this program seen here can serve as a base to draw the lines of the final offer. And you can create an entire trip « à la carte ».

### Included

- Transfers airport / hotel / airport
- 2 nights in 2\* hotel in Ulan Bator, breakfast included
- Full pension during the tour
- Water
- 3 nights in comfortable yurts camp, with warm showers
- 8 nights in a host family, in guest yurt
- Journeys in jeep or minibus + driver
- Petrol
- English-speaking guide
- Pony trek
- Local guides for the treks
- Nomadic activities described in the program
- Entrance fees for the parks and museums indicated in the program
- Traditional show
- Equipment for meals (camping tables and chairs) and nights (sleeping bag)

### Extra infos

#### **Booking conditions**

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All requests for registration must be made by e-mail from the Local Agency, directly online from the Customer Area accessible from the website of the Local Agency, or the website of our group www.nomadays.fr.

To connect to the Customer Area, simply enter the login and password set during the first connection.

Registration is considered final once the online booking form is completed and upon received payment of the deposit and/or balance depending on the date of registration.

Depending on the services chosen and the regulations of the country, a photocopy of the passport may be requested by the Local Agency. In case of not sending the photocopy of the passport within the time indicated by the Local Agency, it cannot guarantee the proper performance of the reserved services.

Once payment has been made, a confirmation email is sent to the Customer. It includes the confirmation of the regulation as well as the electronic downloadable invoice.

A confirmation letter is sent to the Customer electronically. If the Customer does not receive the confirmation letter, the reservation would nevertheless be definitive as if it is confirmed by the Local Agency.

### **Payment Conditions**

Registration made more than 30 days before the departure date

The Customer must pay a deposit of 30% of the total amount of the reserved services. The balance must be paid no later than 30 days before the date of the beginning of the stay.

Registration made less than 30 days before the departure date The Customer must pay the full amount of the trip at one time.

### Methods of Payment

Upon confirmation of your reservation, your local agent will prepare your electronic invoice, hosted on the platform of Nomadays under your own account. Payments are made either:

- By credit card online, free of charge, from the payment links available on the electronic invoice.
- By bank transfer to the account of the travel agency.

The electronic invoice is updated with each payment received and can be consulted at any time from the Customer Area. The electronic invoice is downloadable and printable.

International transport

Not included

- Passport and visa fees
- Repatriation insurance
- Travel insurance
- Drinks / alcohols extras
- Meals in Ulan Bator
- Phone calls
- · Any excursion that is not indicated in the program