# Nomadic transhumance



Days: 12

1100 EUR Price:

International flight not

included

Comfort: ★★☆☆☆

Difficult: ★☆☆☆☆

Nomadic lifestyle Travel with children

Horse riding

Follow the transhumance of yaks breeders of Arkhangai.

Mongolian nomads migrate about 4 times a year to find new pastures. With this tour, you can follow a transhumance from the inside, following a family. You'll follow the migration on foot and will help the family to set up its camp.

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



Ulan Bator 9

- 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. Let's go to Mini-Gobi!



Ulan Bator 9 🕰 280km - 🖸 4h 30m Khogno Khan 9

#### 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 **III** Lunch Made by your team **T** Dinner Eden camp

# Day 3-4. Among nomads in Orkhon



Khogno Khan ♥

⇔ 240km - ⊙ 4h 30m

Orkhon valley ♥

#### Khogno Khan - Orkhon valley

We definitely leave the road to taste the joys of the Mongolian track. We ride along the stunning landscapes
formed by the canyons of Orkhon and the green steppe, then we finally join a breeders family. They will
welcome us in the heart of Orkhon Valley.

### Day 4

- Those who wish will go pony trekking along Orkhon Valley, from the camp until Orkhon waterfalls.
- Visit of Ulan Tsutgalaan falls, white flood flowing on the black stone, transformed in rainbow by a short sunray... These 16-metres (52,49 feet) falls are just magic! They were formed 20.000 years ago, as a result of a unique combination of earthquakes and volcano eruptions.

#### Also



Stay at herders' from the valley. During your stay, you will **discover their way of life** and you will be proposed many activities, such as **milking**, **making traditional dairy products**, or **rounding up the animals with a horse**.

You will also attend the preparation of a Mongolian barbecue that you will enjoy with yours hosts.

■ Breakfast	3 Eden camp 4 Made by your team
₩¶ Lunch	3 Picnic from the camp 4 Made by your team
▼ Dinner	3 made by the family 4 Mongolian barbecue "Khorkhog"
★ Accommodation	Yurt for guests with a family

# Day 5. Relaxing in Tsenkher hot springs



Orkhon valley ♥
♣ 42km
Tovkhon monastery ♥
♣ 110km
Tsenkher hot springs ♥

### Orkhon valley - Tovkhon monastery

Visit of Tovkhon Monastery. Vehicles can't go until the top of Öndör Ulaan Hill and we will walk until there to
discover Tovkhon Ermitage, where Zanabazar, the first religious leader of Mongolia, created the Soyombo
alphabet. The monastery is located 2312 metres (1,44 mile) above the sea level and from that place we'll
have a wonderful view of the whole Khangai range. We'll picnic in exceptional surroundings, facing Orkhon
Valley.

#### Tovkhon monastery - Tsenkher hot springs

• Arrival at Tsenkher hot springs, where you can lounge in the hot springs of the camp.

■ Breakfast	Made by your team	
<b>Y1</b> Lunch	Made by your team	
<b>▼</b> Dinner	Shiveet Mankhan	
★ Accommodation	Shiveet Mankhan	

# Day 6-9. Transhumance with nomads in Arkhangai



### Tsenkher 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 7

• Discover how to prepare the various dairy products: cheese, airag and vodka made with milk.

Discover how to manufacture wool.

Prepare the migration.

#### Day 8

• It's the D.day, we go with nomads for the transhumance. The yurt and the belongings of the family are packed on the yaks on yaks, we walk until the summer camp of the family, about 8 km (4,97 miles) from the current camp. Once arrived, we help the family unloading their belongings and setting up the new camp.

### Day 9

• Those who wish can horse ride in the neighbouring of the camp.

■ Breakfast

6 Shiveet Mankhan

7 8 9 Made by your team

1 Lunch

6 Local restaurant

7 9 made by the family

8 Made by your team

T Dinner

made by the family

Yurt for guests with a family

# Day 10. Time travel in Kharkhorin



Ondor Ulaan ♥
♣ 260km - ② 5h
Kharkhorin ♥

#### Ondor Ulaan - 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
 Local restaurant
 ▼ Dinner
 Anja camp
 Accommodation
 Anja camp

## Day 11. Back to the Mongolian capital



Kharkhorin ♥ ♣ 380km - ② 6h 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.

■ BreakfastAnja camp¶ LunchPicnic from the campAccommodation2 stars hotel

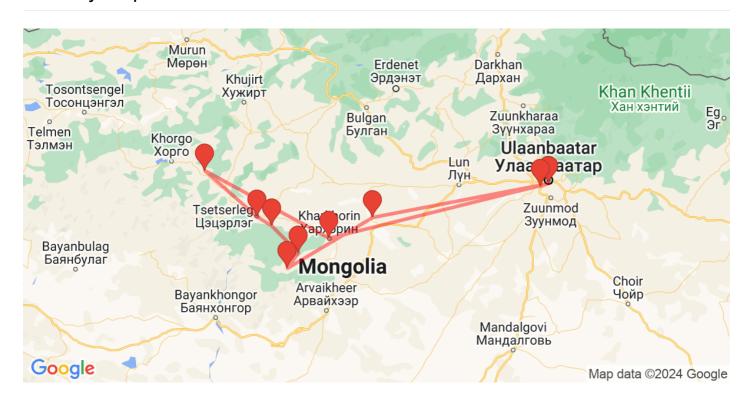
# Day 12. Have a nice journey and see you soon!



Flight back 9

- 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

### Itinerary map



# Individual price per person

2-2	3-3	4-4	5-10
1650 EUR	1350 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
- . 6 nights in a host family, in guest yurt
- Journeys in jeep or minibus + driver
- Petro
- English-speaking guide
- Pony treks
- · Local guides
- · Transhumance of yaks
- · 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)

## Not included

- · International transport
- · 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

### 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.