# Sands of Gobi



Days: 3

Price from:

International flight not

included

Comfort:

**★★★☆☆** 

Difficult:

★☆☆☆☆

◆ Off the beaten track ◆ Culture

Nomadic lifestyle Spirituality ▶

**Go by train** to South Mongolia. Looking out of the window, discover the changing landscapes, and take the time to talk with your Mongolian neighbours. This adventure by train, between encounters and amazement, will lead you to **Khamar Monastery**, an energetic centre very famous in the Buddhist religion. You will discover caves of meditation and surprising places of worship.

This short stay will also lead you to the heart of the life of a nomad family, Bactrian camels breeders in the Gobi, with whom you'll go camel trekking.

## Day 1. By train in the Gobi



Ulan Bator ♥

450km - ② 10h

Sainshand ♥

#### Ulan Bator - Sainshand

• Transmongolian until Sainshand. In the train, Mongolians are the great majority of the travellers, so a "local atmosphere" is guaranteed! For lunch, we will picnic in the train. All along the journey, we can enjoy the splendid landscapes of the Mongolian steppes. Arrival in the early evening.

**T**Lunch

Made by your team

**T** Dinner

made by the family

★ Accommodation

Yurt for guests with a family

## Day 2-3. Shambala and nomadic life



Sainshand 9

#### Day 2

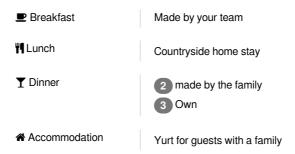
Visit of Khamar Monastery. The famous Mongolian teacher and man of letters Danzanravjaa created this
monastery in the 1820's. It was an important centre of the Buddhist "red sect".

North of the monastery, we will see some meditation caves.

- Visit of one of the most sacred places in the Buddhist belief, the Shambala, entrance of an utopian world ruled by joy and harmony. This **energetic centre** has become a popular **place of pilgrimage** in Mongolia.
- Camelback trekking in the desert landscapes of the area of Sainshand.

#### Day 3

- Those who wish can go horseriding in the neighbourings of the nomad camp of Gobi.
- Visit of the Museum of Danzanravjaa.
- In the evening, we emnark on the night train towards Ulan Bator. We spend the night on the train, in comfortable berths (one cabin for four persons). Arrival at the capital the day after.



# Day 4. Back to the capital



Ulan Bator **Q** 

• Transfer from the station to your hotel, located in the centre of Ulan Bator, where you can rest.

## Itinerary map



### Included

- Transfers airport / station / airport
- Train tickets Ulan Bator / Sainshand / Ulan Bator
- Full pension during the tour
- Water
- · 2 nights in a host family, in guest yurt
- 1 night on the train, on a berth in a compartment for 4 persons
- · Journeys in jeep or minibus + driver
- Petrol
- English-speaking guide for the days 1 to 3
- · Pony trek
- · Camelback trek
- · Local guides for the treks
- Entrance fees for the parks and museums indicated in the program
- · Equipment for meals and nights (sleeping bag)

#### Not included

- · International transport
- · Passport and visa fees
- · Repatriation insurance
- Travel insurance
- · Drinks / alcohols extras
- · Meals and accomodation 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.