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11D9N MYSTERIOUS CENTRAL ASIA ~ UZBEKISTAN, KYRGYZSTAN AND KAZAKHSTAN

TASHKENT, SAMARKAND, BISHKEK, LAKE ISSYK KUL, ALMATY

Tour Code: 11XKK-1



UZBEKISTAN



KYRGYZSTAN



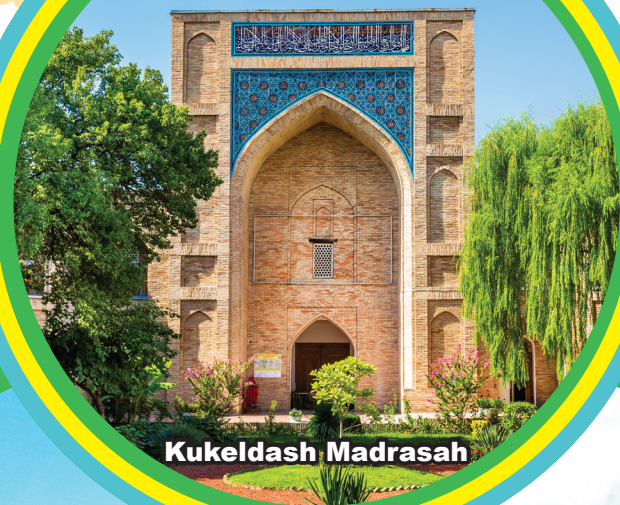
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Tashkent
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Medeu
Almaty
Huns Ethno Village
Lake Issyk Kul



Kukeldash Madrasah



Huns Ethno Village
Almaty

Shymbulak Ski
Resort Area
with Cable car

Lake Issyk Kul Kyrgyzstan



Chorsu Bazaar



Ulugbek Observatory



The Manas Sculptural Complex



SCHEDULE

D1 KUALA LUMPUR → TASHKENT, UZBEKISTAN (7H30M++) (MOB/LI/-)

- Tashkent City Tour
- Free Time at Shopping Mall

D2 TASHKENT (B/L/D)

- Independence Square (Walking Orientation)
- Amir Timur Square (Walking Orientation)
- Chorsu Bazaar (Shopping)
- Kukeldash Madrasah (Entrance Included)
- Hast-Imam Square & Complex (Madrasah, Mosque, Mausoleum) (Visit)

D3 TASHKENT → SAMARKAND (BY TRAIN) (2H30M) (B/L/D)

- Registan Square & Complex (Walking Orientation)
- Shakhi-Zindeh (Entrance Included)
- Mausoleum Gur Emir (Entrance Included)
- Bibi Khanum Mosque (Visit)

D4 SAMARKAND → TASHKENT (BY TRAIN) (2H30M) (B/L/D)

- Ulugbek Observatory (Entrance Included)
- Local Broadway (Walking Orientation)
- Siab Bazaar (National Bazaar) (Shopping)
- Carpet Factory (Visit)

D5 TASHKENT → BISHKEK, KYRGYZSTAN (1H40M) (B/L/D)

- Bishkek City Tour:
 - Ala Too Square (Walking Orientation)
 - The Manas Sculptural Complex (Walking Orientation)
 - Kyrgyz State Philharmonic (Walking Orientation)
 - Russian Orthodox Cathedral (Photo Stop)
 - Theater of Opera and Ballet (Photo Stop)
 - Victory Park (Drive Pass)

D6 BISHKEK – LAKE ISSYK KUL (185KM 3H) (B/L/D)

- Lake Issyk Kul (1H Cruise + Champagne) (Ticket Included)
- Enjoy Lunch at Cholpan Ata Village
- Open-Air Museum of Petroglyphs (View)

D7 LAKE ISSYK KUL – BISHKEK (185KM 3H) – KORDAY BORDER (24KM 40M) – ALMATY, KAZAKHSTAN (215KM 3H30M) (B/L/D)

- Enjoy Traditional Kyrgyz Lunch
- Burana Tower (Photo Stop)
- Yurt Maker's Family (Visit)
- * Participate in Yurt Building
- Cross border (drive by bus to Almaty)



HERITAGE



HISTORICAL



CULTURE



SCENIC



LEISURE

TASHKENT

- Kukeldash Madrasah** – Is a medieval madrasah in Tashkent, located close to Chorsu Bazaar and Chorsu Metro station. It was built around 1570 by the Shaybanid ruler Dervish Sultan.
- Hast-Imam Mosque** – Is the largest mosque in the city, it was an expensive undertaking and the interior of the blue-tiled domes is decorated with genuine gold leaf. The most important is undoubtedly the Muiy Muborak Library holds the world's oldest Qu'ran.

SAMARKAND

- Mausoleum Gur Emir** – Is the tomb of Tamerlane and later became the tomb of the Timur family. The mausoleum has strong Oriental Islamic architectural features and is a world-renowned Central Asian architectural treasure.
- Registan Square** – The Registan literally means 'a sandy place'. The complex consists of three seminaries: Tilla-Kari Madrasah, which also the main mosque, where prayers are held on Fridays and on holidays. On the left is the Ulugh Beg Theological Seminary (Ulugh Beg is a scholar, astronomer, poet and philosopher in the Middle Ages); Seminary; on the right is Sher-Doll (meaning Tibetan Tiger) Seminary.
- Shah-I-Zinda Complex** – The complex is a huge burial place for noblemen of the Timurids' times. It consists of beautiful mausoleums with blue sky-like domes, mosques with painted majolica. The mausoleums was named after the cousin of the Prophet Muhammad, Kusam ibn Abbas, who was called Shakhi Zinda, which translates as "The Living King" from Persian. The legend says that Kusam ibn Abbas arrived in Samarkand for preaching of Islam, but he was killed by an arrow in one of the unbelievers' attacks.
- Ulugbek Observatory** – Is an observatory in modern day Samarkand, Uzbekistan, which was built in the 1420s by the Timurid astronomer Ulugh Beg. This school of astronomy was constructed under the Timurid Empire and was the last of its kind from the Islamic Medieval period.

BISHKEK

- The Manas Sculptural Complex** – The Manas Sculptural Complex, completed in 1981, is located in Manas Square. The main statue depicts a legendary hero on a magical horse who slays an evil dragon. Under this statue are other statues of the hero's wife and a wise man. This beautiful square is paved in red granite.
- Burana Tower** – Ancient Arabic language, Burana translates as « minaret ». This impressive ancient minaret, made of red bricks, built between the 10th and 11th centuries, the Burana tower with its 45 m (148 ft) height overlooked the ancient city of Balasagun, constructed by the Karakhanids in the 9th century. Today, the Burana minaret has become an open-air historical and architectural complex, one of Kyrgyzstan's most outstanding historical sites.

LAKE ISSYK KUL

- Lake Issyk Kul** – Is an endorheic lake in the northern Tian Shan mountains in eastern Krgyzstan. It is the seventh-deepest lake in the world, the tenth-largest lake in the and the third-largest saline lake. Issyk-Kul means "warm lake" in the Kyrgyz language; although it is located at a lofty elevation of 1,607 metres (5,272 ft) and subject to severe cold during winter, it rarely freezes, due to the salinity.
- Open-Air Museum of Petroglyphs** – Lay at the north-west of the city. This open-air museum, sometimes nicknamed "the stone garden", is a very important historical site. It is on 42 ha (104 acres) that includes petroglyphs, images carved on stones, and prehistoric structures and monuments.



Open-Air Museum of Petroglyphs



Yurt Maker's Family



Kok-Tobe Park

D8

ALMATY – MEDEU (21KM 40M)

– ALMATY

(B/L/D)

- Shymbulak Ski Resort Area
(Entrance Included) * Include cable car*
*Subject to weather conditions (April - November: Enjoy Beautiful panoramic view of Almaty & December - March: Enjoy ski activities)
- High Mountain Sports Complex Medeu (View)
- Republic Square (Independence Square) (Photo Stop)
- The Independence Monument (Photo Stop)
- First President's Park (Drive Pass)
- Enjoy Falcon Show

D9

ALMATY – HUNS ETHNO VILLAGE

(48KM 1H5M) – ALMATY

(B/L/D)

- Huns Ethno Village (Visit)
 - Bursaks Kazakh Puffy Bread Master Class Cooking (10mins)
 - Nomad Kazakh Yurt (Visit)
 - Sarbaz Nomad Group Performance: National Horse Game:
 - Enjoy National Cuisine Lunch
 - National Archery Master Class
 - Park of 28 Panfilov Guardsmen (Walking Orientation)
 - Zenkov Cathedral (Visit)
 - Green Bazaar (Closed on Monday) (Shopping)
 - Chocolate Factory Rahat (Visit)

D10

ALMATY → KUALA LUMPUR (8H++)

(B/L/MOB)

- Kok-Tobe Park (One way Cableway/down by serpentine road)
- Arbat Street (Local Souvenir)

D11

ARRIVE KUALA LUMPUR



4★ HOTEL (9 NIGHTS)

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| ✓ SAMARKAND | X 1 NIGHT |
| ✓ TASHKENT | X 3 NIGHTS |
| ✓ BISHKEK | X 1 NIGHT |
| ✓ LAKE ISSYK-KUL | X 1 NIGHTS |
| ✓ ALMATY | X 3 NIGHTS |

*During major conferences, fairs, and festivals, accommodation may be located in an alternative city without prior notice

*Some accommodations may not have specific triple, twin or double bed room types

*Some accommodations may provide triple share room the third bed a rollaway bed or sofa bed depends to each hotel's existing room types

ALMATY

- **Shymbulak Ski Resort** – It is located just 25 km from the center of Almaty. Reachable via a cable car that starts from Medeu, the resort sits at an elevation of 2,200 meters.
- **High Mountain Sports Complex Medeu** – Is an outdoor speed skating and bandy rink on the outskirts of Almaty, about 1,691 meters above sea level. It was built in 1949, it spans 10.5 hectares and can host up to 30,000 visitors. Medeu Skating Rink known as the highest skating rink in the world.
- **Huns Ethno Village** – Is an immersive cultural experience. It is designed to transport visitors back to the era of the ancient Hun civilization that once roamed the steppes of Kazakhstan. The village features reconstructed traditional dwellings, including yurts and wooden homes, furnished with artifacts and tools that offer a glimpse into the daily lives of the Huns. The family that operates the village were all donning period-appropriate attire for that added touch of authenticity. During visit, offer a variety of activities such as archery, horseback riding, and traditional crafts. You may see a demonstrations on cooking traditional Kazakh foods, Bursaks Kazakh Puffy Bread and sampled freshly made kumis (fermented mare milk). Traditional music, shown the inside of a yurt, and a horse show with several cultural games on display. It's a living, breathing reenactment of history set against the natural beauty of the surrounding landscape. Come and experience Kazakhstan's famous hospitality in a beautiful mountain setting.
- **Zenkov Cathedral** – Officially known as the Ascension Cathedral, is a feat of wooden architecture situated in the heart of Panfilov Park. It is built entirely without nails and is considered one of the tallest wooden buildings in the world. This Russian Orthodox cathedral showcases an impressive mastery of craftsmanship.



- ✓ The Ancient City of Samarkand, Listed as World Cultural Heritage by UNESCO
- ✓ Hast Imam Mosque houses the famous Ottoman Quran which is the first place hold the Quran
- ✓ Mausoleum Gur Emir is a World-Renowned Central Asian Architectural Treasure
- ✓ Ala-Too Square also a musical fountain square, one of the city's major landmarks
- ✓ Visit the 'Pearl of Kyrgyzstan' Issyk Kul Lake and enjoy boat cruise with Champagne
- ✓ Explore Open-Air Museum of Petroglyphs, is a important historical site
- ✓ Burana Tower protected as a UNESCO World Heritage site, one of the famous minarets
- ✓ Visit a yurt's maker's family, interaction with locals' daily life; participation in building yurts
- ✓ Almaty is the most famous and largest city in Kazakhstan, also known as the "Apple City"
- ✓ Enjoy the best views of Medeu from the cable car that you can take up to the largest Shymbulak Ski Resort in Kazakhstan
- ✓ Visit Huns' Ethno-village, immerse yourself in the daily life of ancient Kazakhs, experience traditional customs and yurt storytelling
- ✓ Watch a horse-riding tricks show, witness a warrior battle, and partake in archery and crafting
- ✓ Shopping at Central Asia Famous Bazaar, Chorsu Bazaar in Tashkent, Siab Bazaar in Samarkand and Green Bazaar in Almaty.



- ✓ 9 Breakfast / 10 Lunch / 8 Dinner
- ✓ Mix Cuisine: Chinese, Xinjiang, Uzbek, Kazakh Style, Dunghan

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