

# At the heart of Naadam



Days:	14
Price:	1150 EUR International flight not included
Comfort:	★★★★☆
Difficult:	★★☆☆☆
🐾 Nomadic lifestyle 🐾 Festival	
🐾 Travel with children	

Experience the **Naadam** in a new way, **sharing the daily life of horses breeders** during the period of training, and follow the family to a local Naadam. During your stay you will attend the preparation of the Naadam but also **meet wrestlers and archers** who will explain their sport before giving a demonstration.

A journey 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



Ulan Bator 📍

- 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 Genghis 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 - ⌚ 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

🍴 Dinner	Eden camp
🏠 Accommodation	Eden camp

## Day 3. Hot baths in Tsenkher springs



Khogno Khan 📍  
🚗 250km - ⌚ 4h  
Tsenkher hot springs 📍

### Khogno Khan - Tsenkher hot springs

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

☕ Breakfast	Eden camp
🍴 Lunch	Picnic from the camp
🍴 Dinner	Shiveet Mankhan
🏠 Accommodation	Shiveet Mankhan

## Day 4-6. Colt training in preparation for Naadam



Tsenkher hot springs 📍  
🚗 40km - ⌚ 1h  
Tsetserleg 📍  
🚗 215km - ⌚ 5h 30m  
Jargalant at Bayarsaikhan's 📍

### Tsenkher hot springs - Tsetserleg

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

### Tsetserleg - Jargalant at Bayarsaikhan's

- 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.

### Also

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During these two days, you will **attend horses'training** with your host and his son who will be a jockey. Your host will also **show you how he trains** a young horse.

☕ Breakfast	4 Shiveet Mankhan 5 6 Made by your team
🍴 Lunch	4 Local restaurant 5 6 made by the family
🍴 Dinner	made by the family
🏠 Accommodation	Yurt for guests with a family

## Day 7-11. Nomadic life and Naadam among nomads



### Jargalant - Ondor Ulaan at Batbayar's

- In the morning, we meet **two Mongolian archers** who will explain us some techniques and will give us a **demonstration of their art**. You can also try to do archery under the expert control of our champions.
- We take the road to join Batbayar and his family. Batbayar is a horse breeder living in the sum of Öndör Ulaan, member of the cooperative Ar Arvidjin Delgerekh.

### Day 8

Jargalant 📍  
🚗 110km - ⌚ 3h 30m  
Ondor Ulaan at Batbayar's 📍

- We spend half a day with **local champions of Mongolian wrestle**. They will explain you the special features of this sport and give a demonstration. The bravest among you can even try to wrestle.

## Day 11

- The Naadam, or "3 virile sports", refers to the Mongolian national feast. It's the ultimate feast that everybody awaits. During the celebrations, days are public holiday and many ceremonies are held for this occasion. The "3 virile sports" are wrestle, archery, and horserace. These sports represent wisdom, bravery, and strength. But other games and events are held during the Naadam, such as knucklebones throw. With our hosts, we go to the centre of the sum of Öndör Ulaan where the Naadam is held. We'll cheer on Batbayar's horse and will feel the popular fervour at the heart of the event.

## Also

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During our stay, we participate in **many nomadic activities** : **making dairy products** and **making the deel**, the Mongolian traditional cloth. We also can see several trainings in preparation for the Naadam of the sum that will be held on the 10th of July !

🍳 Breakfast	Made by your team
🍴 Lunch	7 11 Made by your team 8 9 10 made by the family
🍷 Dinner	made by the family
🏠 Accommodation	Yurt for guests with a family

## Day 12. Visit of the Mongolian former capital



Ondor Ulaan 📍  
🚗 260km - ⌚ 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
🍴 Lunch	Local restaurant
🍷 Dinner	Anja camp
🏠 Accommodation	Anja camp

## Day 13. Back to the Mongolian capital



Kharkhorin 📍  
🚗 380km - ⌚ 6h

### 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 shopping in the centre of the city.

🍳 Breakfast	Anja camp
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Ulan Bator 📍

🍴 Lunch

Picnic from the camp

🏠 Accommodation

2 stars hotel

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



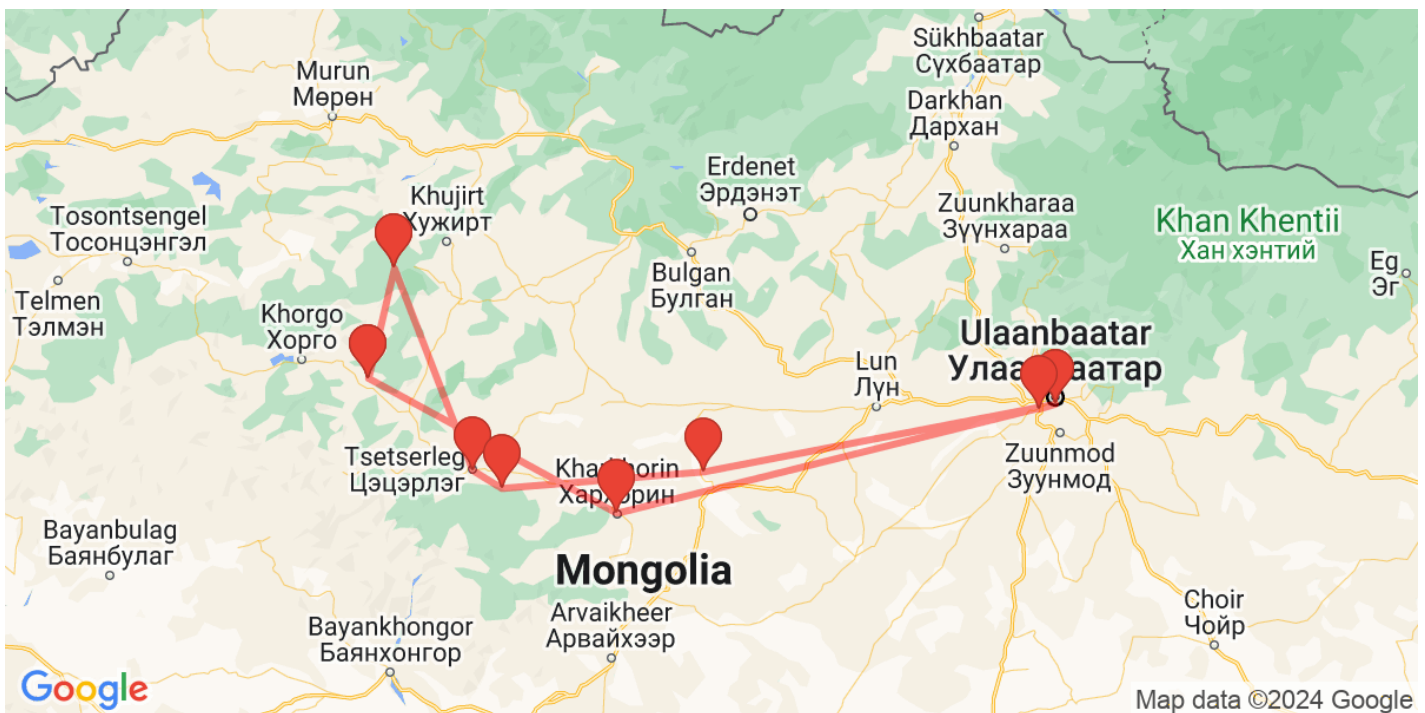
Flight back 📍

- 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

1-1	2-2	3-3	4-4	5-8
3200 EUR	1850 EUR	1450 EUR	1250 EUR	1150 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

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- 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 camps with warm shower
- 8 nights with host families, in guest yurt
- Journeys in jeep or minibus + driver
- Petrol
- English-speaking guide
- Pony trek
- Local guides for the trekkings
- Nomadic activities described in the program
- Entrance fees for parks and museums indicated in the program
- Traditional show
- Equipment for meals (camping tables and chairs) and nights (sleeping bags)

## Not included

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- 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

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### 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](http://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.