

Winter celebrations



Days: 11

Price: 1450 EUR
International flight not included

Comfort: ★★☆☆☆

Difficult: ★★☆☆☆

📌 Winter trip 📌 Festival 📌 Culture
📌 Nomadic lifestyle

Discover the **nomadic life in Winter**, on the occasion of the celebrations held for the **Ice Festival** and the **Eagles Festival**.

We leave for **Lake Khovsgol**, become a hugeness of ice surrounded with virgin nature ; we'll stay with a family for 4 days and attend the Ice Festival. After these first celebrations, we'll attend the Eagles Festival before going to Terelj National Park and spending **a few days among nomads**.

Day 1. Arrival in 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 Gengis Khan Square and the House of Parliament.

🏠 Accommodation

Hotel Nine

Day 2. From Ulan Bator to the Very North of Mongolia



Ulan Bator 📍

✈️ 750km - ⌚ 1h 15m

Moron 📍

🚗 100km - ⌚ 1h 30m

Khatgal 📍

- 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.
- Flight to Mörön, the capital of the province of Khövsgöl, where our driver is waiting for us.
- We arrive at Lake Khövsgöl, one of the natural wonders of the world. This mountain covers an area of 2760 square kilometres, and its water is so pure that we can drink it! It's surrounded with many peaks culminating at more than 2000 metres and covered with forests of pines and lush meadows where yaks and horses graze!

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Stay 4 nights with a nomadic family living in the Western part of the lake. You'll discover their way of life in the heart of the Mongolian winter.

🍳 Breakfast

Hotel Nine

🍴 Lunch

Made by your team

🍷 Dinner

made by the family

Day 3-5. Khovsgol Lake and the Ice Festival

Moron 📍
 🚗 100km - ⌚ 1h 30m
 Khatgal 📍
 Khuvsgul Lake 📍

Day 3

- Let's have our first 2 days around the frozen Khuvsgul lake and the Ice Festival!

The Ice Festival on the lake itself is a traditional celebration now in Winter that is taking place around the end of February/beginning of March.

At that time, the local population as well as the Russian counterparts living on the other side of the border gather for this great event, with multi activities organized for the next 3 days. You can be attending horse sledge races on the ice, a sort of a Mongolian curling contest named Shagain Naadam, ice sculptures, or of course ice skating.

It is also a period when most ethnicities are represented, because this is the major event of the whole region.

Day 5

- Today you'll enjoy 4 or 5 hours on a sledge pulled by a horse, on the frozen lake. Let you slide in this magical experience on the lake. In Winter, the lake is covered with a 2-metres (6,56 feet) and more thick layer of ice.
- Those who wish can horseride in the forests and on the banks of Lake Khovsgol.

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🍳 Breakfast	Made by your team
🍴 Lunch	Local restaurant
🍷 Dinner	made by the family
🏠 Accommodation	Family stay, under the yurt

Day 6. On the way back to the Capital, stop at Erdenet City



Khatgal 📍
 🚗 100km - ⌚ 1h 30m
 Moron 📍
 🚗 370km - ⌚ 5h
 Erdenet 📍



- We leave early today, to drive South-East, to reach Erdenet at the end of the day. It's one of the most important city of the country. It has one of the largest open-air mines of the world (copper mine).

Tonight we will rest in a local 2* hotel of the city for a good night rest.

🍳 Breakfast	Made by your team
🍴 Lunch	Local restaurant
🍷 Dinner	Local restaurant
🏠 Accommodation	2 stars hotel




Day 7. Back to UB - rest before the next festival



Erdenet 
 🚗 340km - ⌚ 6h
 Ulan Bator 



- We drive about 350km back to Ulan-Bator. The road would take sometime, since there were recently some renovations made before arriving to the Capital.

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

 Breakfast	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px; border-radius: 50%; width: 20px; text-align: center; margin-bottom: 5px;">7</div> Made by your team
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 Lunch	made by the family
 Accommodation	Hotel Nine

Day 8-9. Eagles Festival and staying among nomads



Ulan Bator 
 🚗 120km - ⌚ 3h
 Terelj national park 

Ulan Bator - Terelj national park

- Let's immerse ourselves into the 2nd Festival of this exciting adventure!

Each year, **falconers** living in the area get together on the occasion of the Eagles Festival that symbolizes the opening of the shooting season, where everyone can come with its eagle-hunter and show its skill. Preys are foxes, rabbits, or small wolves. Skill tournaments are held all day long, but also **bushkashi trials**, over the course of which Kazakh horsemen compete to catch the corpse of a sheep. The first one who catches it must bring it behind a predefined line, while the other ones try to snatch it from him.

You'll attend this event until the afternoon.

- Then we depart from the surroundings of UB to the Gorkhi-Terelj National Park, a real gorgeous green setting at the gates of the capital : rocky formations sculpted by erosion, mountains tree-filled with pines, plains scattered with wild flowers and edelweiss, rivers and lakes.





Day 9

- Those who wish can leave for a ponytrek along the Tuul River to go deeper in the park. Riding our horses, we'll discover a contrasting landscape made of rivers, steppes and forests.

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We stay almost 3 days with a breeders family living on the banks of the Tuul River. You'll discover wonderful winter landscapes and take part in the daily activities of the family.

 Breakfast	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px; border-radius: 50%; width: 20px; text-align: center; margin-bottom: 5px;">8</div> Hotel Nine
	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px; border-radius: 50%; width: 20px; text-align: center; margin-bottom: 5px;">9</div> Made by your team
 Lunch	Made by your team
 Dinner	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px; border-radius: 50%; width: 20px; text-align: center; margin-bottom: 5px;">8</div> made by the family
	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px; border-radius: 50%; width: 20px; text-align: center; margin-bottom: 5px;">9</div> Mongolian barbecue "Khorkhog"
 Accommodation	Family stay, under the yurt

Day 10. Last monastery and the Genghis Khan Statue before going back to Ulan Bator



Terelj national park 📍
 🚗 80km - ⌚ 2h
 Ulan Bator 📍

- Stop at turtle rock, from where we walk until Aryaval Monastery.
 - Drive to the 40 meters-high equestrian statue of Genghis Khan. This statue is the tallest in the world of a man on horseback. Visit of the museum located inside the statue.
 - Back to Ulan-Bator. Last herds of wild horses crossing the road outside, 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	Made by your team
🍴 Lunch	Made by your team
🏠 Accommodation	Hotel Nine

Day 11. Have a nice journey and see you soon !

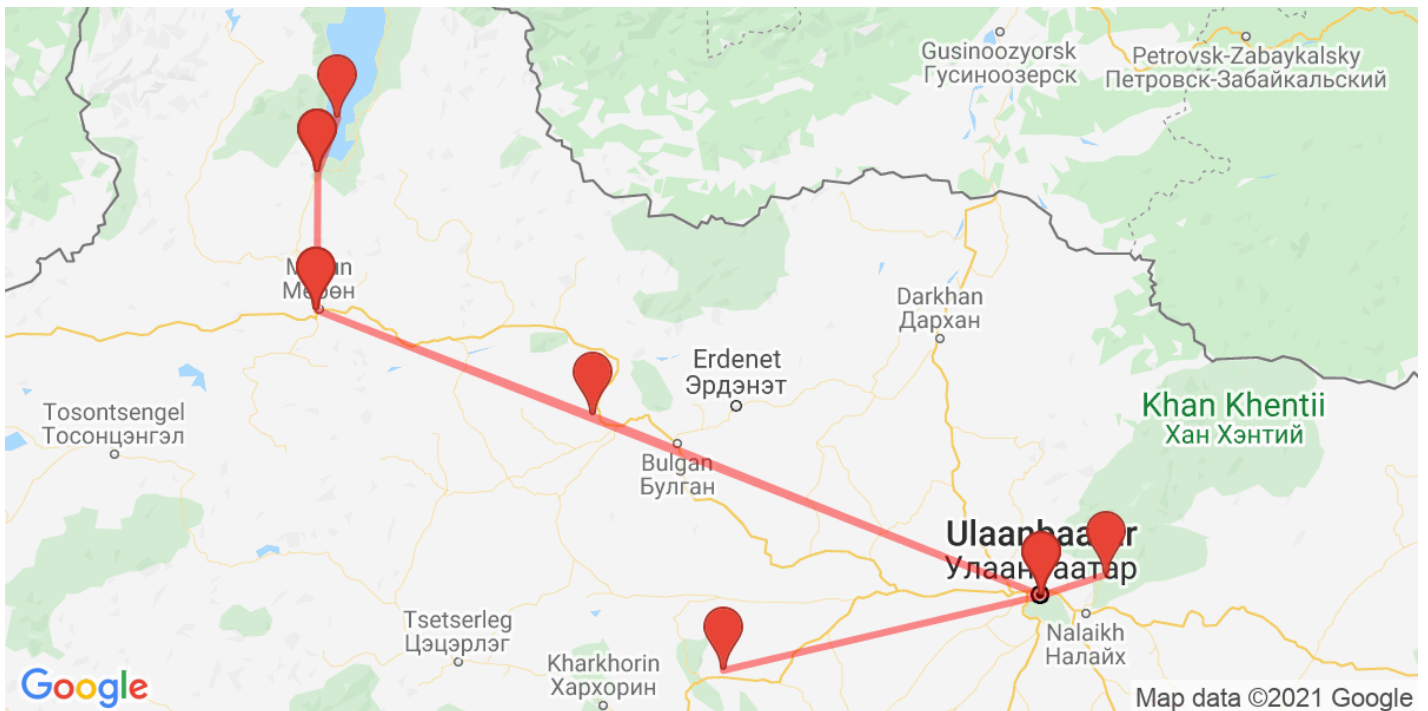


Flight back 📍

- 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	11 Made by your team
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Itinerary map



Individual price per person

2-2	3-3	4-8	9-10
2100 EUR	1700 EUR	1550 EUR	1450 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
- Flight Ulan Bator / Moron / Ulan Bator
- 3 nights in 3* hotel in Ulan Bator, breakfast included
- 1 night at a local hotel in Erdenet
- Full pension during the tour
- Water
- 6 nights in a host family, in guest yurt
- Journeys in jeep or minibus + driver
- Petrol
- English-speaking guide
- Assistant for groups > 8 persons
- Pony treks
- Troika trip on the frozen lake
- Local guides for the treks
- Entrance fee for the Ice Festival
- 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
- Additional charges for luggage exceeding 15kg (total weight for both carry-on checked luggage) on the domestic flight

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.