

# Naadam and Discovery



Days:	11
Price:	1590 EUR International flight not included
Comfort:	★★★★☆
Difficult:	★★☆☆☆
📌 Nomadic lifestyle 📌 Festival	
📌 Peaceful trip 📌 Must see	
📌 Travel with children	

Experience the **Naadam** with a huge celebration at the capital city Ulan Bator before heading to the best locations at the countryside. A trip with a comfortable stay and interesting discoveries!

During your stay you will visit the center of the country to see the wild **Przewalski horses**, having a pleasant stay on the bank of the **Ogii lake**, feel the warmth of the **Tsenkher hot springs**, uncover the traditional life of the nomads in the **Orkhon valley**, and the history of the country at the ancient capital city of **Kharkhorin**.

## 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	Holiday Inn Hotel
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## Day 2. Opening ceremony of the Naadam and games



Ulan Bator 📍

- The Naadam festival is the biggest and most joyful celebration for Mongolians. It takes place each year on the 11-12th of July. The festival originated from the era of Khunnu Empire and was originally organised as a competition to test the skills of Mongolian Warriors between tribes. The festival comprises the "Three Manly Sports": wrestling, horse racing and archery.

During this first day, we will enjoy from the stands of the stadium the colourful show given for the game's **opening ceremony**. It will then be time to see the beginning of the **Mongolian wrestling** competition. In the aisles of the stadium, we also witness the **archery** and **ankle bone shooting** competitions.

☕ Breakfast	Holiday Inn Hotel
🍴 Lunch	Local restaurant
🏠 Accommodation	Holiday Inn Hotel

## Day 3. Horse races and natural reserve



Ulan Bator 📍  
🚗 40km - ⌚ 1h  
Khui Doloon Khudag 📍  
🚗 90km - ⌚ 1h 30m  
Khustai national park 📍  
Ulan Bator 📍

### Ulan Bator - Khui Doloon Khudag

- Early in the morning we will drive to the **Khui Doloon Khudag race field** to enjoy the **horses' races**. The best horses from across the country meet in Ulaanbaatar for these races crucially important. Mongolian people train horses in their very nature, and win the race in Ulaanbaatar bring them immense glory. We are witnessing the first race.
- Journey to Khustai Reserve that houses the Przewalski horses (takh). Twilight is the best moment to observe them. We'll walk until the river where they drink, and observe them with no fear to bother.

☕ Breakfast	Holiday Inn Hotel
🍴 Lunch	Made by your team
🍷 Dinner	Khustai camp
🏠 Accommodation	Khustai camp

## Day 4. Journey to a beautiful lake



Khustai national park 📍  
🚗 300km - ⌚ 5h  
Ogii lake 📍

- Let's get back on the road towards East. We cross the Arkhangai Province to arrive at the Ögii lake. Located at the very middle of the steppe, this little beautiful lake is full of fish. Also this is a place to observe migratory birds. A paradise for birds enthusiasts!
- We go towards Lake Ögii. We'll spend the end of the day near the banks and will try to catch a pike. Nestled in the heart of the steppe, this small fish-riched lake attracts many migratory birds that birds lovers will observe at leisure.

☕ Breakfast	Khustai camp
🍴 Lunch	Made by your team
🍷 Dinner	Ogii camp
🏠 Accommodation	Ogii camp

## Day 5. Hot baths in Tsenkher springs



Ogii lake 📍  
140km - ⌚ 4h 30m  
Tsetserleg 📍  
🚗 40km - ⌚ 1h  
Tsenkher hot springs 📍

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

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

## Day 6-7. Journey at the heart of nomadic lands



Tsenkher hot springs 📍  
🚗 110km - ⌚ 3h 45m  
Tovkhon monastery 📍  
🚗 42km - ⌚ 1h 15m  
Orkhon valley 📍

## Day 6

- 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.

## Day 7

- 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.

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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	<div>6 Shiveet Mankhan</div> <div>7 Made by your team</div>
🍴 Lunch	<div>6 Picnic from the camp</div> <div>7 made by the family</div>
🍷 Dinner	<div>6 made by the family</div> <div>7 Mongolian barbecue "Khorkhog"</div>
🏠 Accommodation	Yurt for guests with a family

## Day 8. Visit of the Mongolian former capital



Orkhon valley 📍  
🚗 130km - ⌚ 3h 30m  
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**.

🍳 Breakfast	Made by your team
🍴 Lunch	Local restaurant
🍷 Dinner	Anja camp
🏠 Accommodation	Anja camp

## Day 9. A glimpse at the desert



Kharkhorin 📍  
🚗 110km - ⌚ 1h 30m  
Khogno Khan 📍

- 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*".
- Walk 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.

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☕ Breakfast	Anja camp
🍴 Lunch	Picnic from the camp
🍷 Dinner	Sweet gobi
🏠 Accommodation	Sweet gobi

## Day 10. Back to the Mongolian capital



Khogno Khan 📍  
🚗 280km - ⌚ 4h 30m  
Ulan Bator 📍

- Rest of the day free. With our guide, you can go shopping in the centre of the city.

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☕ Breakfast	Sweet gobi
🍴 Lunch	Local restaurant
🏠 Accommodation	Holiday Inn Hotel

## Day 11. Have a good journey and see you soon !



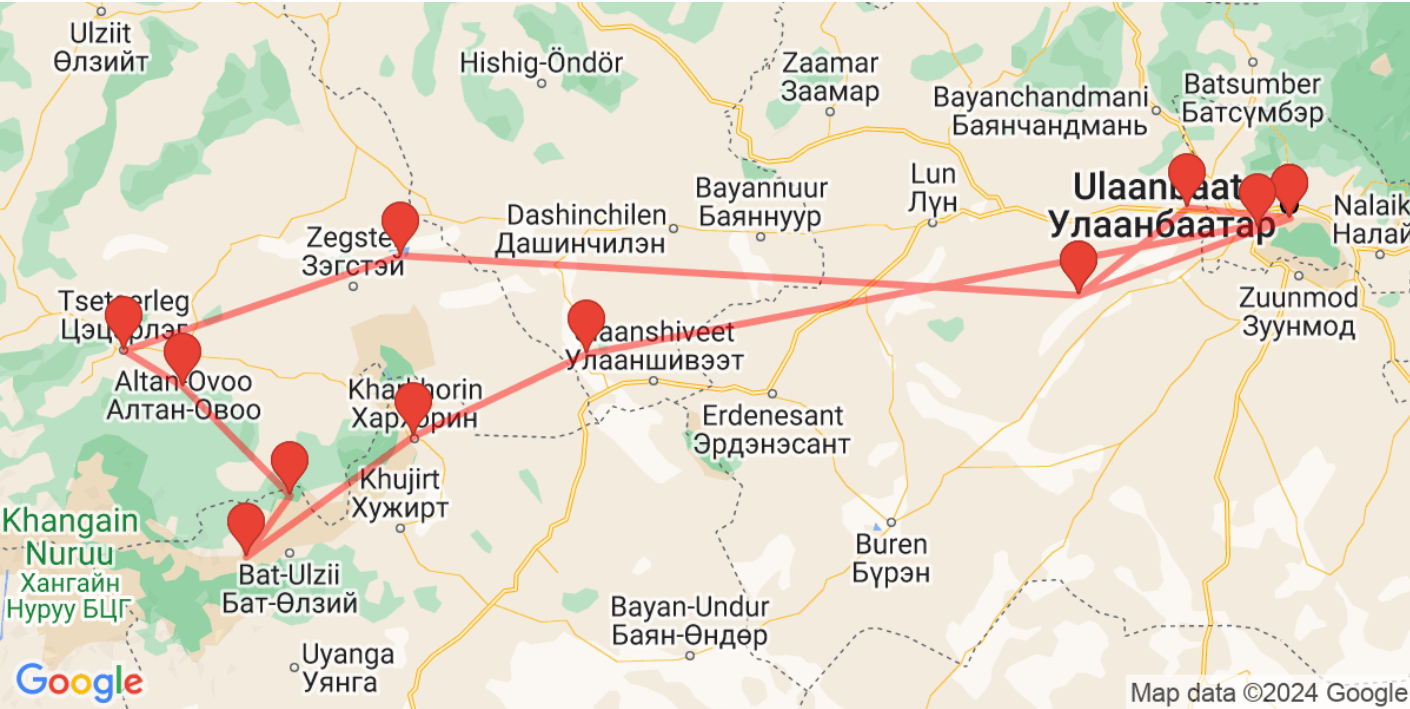
Flight back 📍

- 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.

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☕ Breakfast	Holiday Inn Hotel
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# Itinerary map



## Individual price per person

1-1	2-2	3-3	4-4	5-7	8-10
3280 EUR	2090 EUR	1790 EUR	1990 EUR	1700 EUR	1590 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
- 3 nights in 3\* hotel in Ulan Bator, breakfast included
- Full pension during the tour
- Water
- 4 nights in comfortable yurts camps with warm shower
- 2 nights with host families, in guest yurt
- Journeys in jeep or 4x4 Russian minivan UAZ + 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

- 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.