

## 13 DAYS CENTRAL ASIA 3 STANS TOUR

**DAY 1 / FRI**                      **SINGAPORE – ALMATY**

<b>SINGAPORE – KUALA LUMPUR</b>	<b>ETD 0910</b>	<b>ETA 1025</b>
<b>KUALA LUMPUR – TASKENT</b>	<b>ETD 1145</b>	<b>ETA 1640</b>
<b>TASKENT – ALMATY</b>	<b>ETD 1910</b>	<b>ETA 2140</b>

ASSEMBLE AT CHANGI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FOR YOUR FIGHT TO ALMATY (TRANSIT KUALA LUMPUR & TASKENT). ARRIVED ALMATY 21:40 LOCAL TIME, MEET & TRANSFER TO YOUR HOTEL. CHECK IN AND OVERNIGHT AT THE HOTEL

**DAY 2 / SAT**                      **ALMATY – MEDEO**

**(BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER)**

BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL.

YOUR GUIDE AND DRIVER WILL MEET YOU AT HOTEL LOBBY TO START THE SIGHTSEEING TOUR IN ALMATY: VISIT PANFILOV PARK, ZENKOV CATHEDRAL, STATE MUSEUM, ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL, AND GREEN BAZAAR. ENJOY PANORAMIC VIEW AT KOK-TOBE HILL, VISIT MEDEO GORGE. ALMATY WAS THE CAPITAL OF INDEPENDENT KAZAKHSTAN FROM 1991 TO 1997. IN 1997, THE CAPITAL MOVED TO ASTANA; SINCE THEN, ALMATY HAS BEEN REFERRED TO AS THE SOUTHERN CAPITAL OF KAZAKHSTAN. ALMATY REMAINS THE MAJOR COMMERCIAL CENTER OF KAZAKHSTAN. THE CITY IS LOCATED IN A MOUNTAINOUS AREA OF SOUTHERN KAZAKHSTAN, NEAR THE BORDER WITH KYRGYZSTAN. ALMATY IS THE LARGEST, MOST DEVELOPED, AND MOST ETHNICALLY AND CULTURALLY DIVERSE CITY IN KAZAKHSTAN. OVERNIGHT AT HOTEL.



**DAY 3 / SUN**                      **ALMATY – BISHKEK**

**(BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER)**

BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL. TODAY WE WILL HAVE A TRANSFER TO BISHKEK CITY. BISHKEK CITY IS THE CAPITAL AND THE LARGEST CITY OF KYRGYZSTAN. BISHKEK IS SITUATED AT ABOUT 800 METERS (2,600 FT) ALTITUDE NEAR THE NORTHERN

RANGE OF THE KYRGYZ ALA TOO RANGE. THIS RANGE IS AN EXTENSION OF THE TIAN SHAN MOUNTAINS, WHICH RISES UP TO 4,855 METERS (15,928 FT) AND PROVIDES A SPECTACULAR BACKDROP TO THE CITY. THE DISTANCE FROM ALMATY CITY TO BISHKEK IS 230 KM. IT WILL TAKE ABOUT 4 HOURS FOR THE TRANSFER. ON THE WAY YOU WILL PASS A BORDER CONTROL. YOU WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO YOUR HOTEL TO HAVE A REST. IN THE AFTERNOON YOU WILL HAVE CITY TOUR. IT INCLUDES VISITING POBEDA SQUARE (VICTORY SQUARE), DUBOVIY PARK (OAK PARK), CENTRAL ALA-TOO SQUARE, OLD SQUARE, NATIONAL PHILHARMONIC, AND MANY OTHERS



PLACES OF INTEREST. OVERNIGHT AT HOTEL.

**DAY 4 / MON**                      **BISHKEK – ISSYK KUL**

**(BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER)**

BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL.

IN THE MORNING WE WILL VISIT OUR ASIAN BAZAAR. WE WILL SHOW IT TO YOU TODAY AND YOU WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE A LOT OF DYNAMIC PHOTOS OF BUSTLING LOCAL LIFE. THIS BAZAAR IS A NOISY AND COLORFUL TAPESTRY OF FABRICS, PRODUCE, AND PEOPLE SELLING AND BUYING GOODS. THEN YOU WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO ISSYK KUL LAKE, SURROUNDED BY THE CELESTIAL MOUNTAINS. IT'S THE SECOND LARGEST ALPINE LAKE IN THE WORLD (1608 M. ABOVE SEA LEVEL). THE LAKE IS CALLED "THE PEARL OF CENTRAL ASIA". DUE TO THE SALTY WATER, LAKE ISSYK KUL POSSESSES CURATIVE QUALITIES. ON ROUTE TO THE LAKE YOU WILL VISIT BURANA TOWER (AN 11TH CENTURY MINARET) AND AN OPEN AIR MUSEUM OF BALBANS (STONE WARRIORS). YOU WILL GET TO ENJOY A TRADITIONAL LUNCH AND THEN WE'LL MAKE OUR TRIP TO THE LAKE. OVERNIGHT AT HOTEL.

**DAY 5 / TUE**
**ISSYK KUL – BISHKEK**
**(BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER)**


BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL.

IN THE MORNING WE WILL VISIT A PLACE WHERE YOU WILL SEE ANCIENT PICTURES ON STONES! THEY ARE CALLED PETROGLIPIHS. THESE PETROGLIPIHS WERE MADE MORE THAN 2000 YEARS AGO BY SHAMANS. ALL THESE STONES ARE STILL AT THE SAME PLACE AS THEY WERE AT THAT TIME. YOU CAN SEE A PANORAMA VIEW OF THE ISSYK KUL LAKE FROM THIS PLACE – PEOPLE WERE THINKING THAT IT WAS THE MIDDLE OF THE WORLD. AFTER AN EXCURSION YOU WILL VISIT A MUSEUM IN CHOLPON ATA. THERE ARE MANY ATTRACTIVE THINGS FROM THE KYRGYZ HISTORY, HANDICRAFT, MUSIC INSTRUMENTS AND A LOT OF OTHER INTERESTING ARTIFACTS. AFTERWARDS WE

WILL DRIVE TO BISHKEK CITY. OVERNIGHT AT HOTEL.

**DAY 6 / WED**
**BISHKEK – TASKENT**
**(BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER)**

**BISHKEK – TASKENT ETD 0645 ETA 0705**

EARLY BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL.

TRANSFER TO BISHKEK AIRPORT, REGISTRATION AND FLIGHT TO TASHKENT. ARRIVED TASKENT AT 07:05, MEET BY YOUR ESCORT GUIDE AND PANORAMIC TOUR IN TASHKENT.

CHECK IN TO THE HOTEL CLOSE TO NOON TIME.

CITY TOUR IN TASHKENT: INDEPENDENCE SQUARE AND AMIR TIMUR SQUARE – MAIN CITY CENTER, TASHKENT METRO RIDE – TASHKENT METRO IS ONE OF THE MOST DECORATED FROM FORMED SOVIET TIMES. LUNCH AT TASHKENT PILAW CENTER – TASTE REAL WEDDING PILAW OF UZBEKISTAN LOCAL

"BROADWAY" - A WALKING STREET WITH ARTISTS, CHEAP SOUVENIRS AND EATING-PLACES, CITY FOUNTAINS AND MODERN MONUMENTS, BARAK-KHAN MADRASAH (16TH C.), THE KAFFAL-SHASHI MAUSOLEUM (15TH C.), KUKELDASH MADRASAH (16TH C.), HASTI IMAM MOSQUE WITH REAL OTHMAN KHALIF QURAN. DINNER AT BEK TRADITIONAL RESTAURANT. 0.5L WATER TO BE GIVEN EACH PASSENGER & OVERNIGHT AT THE HOTEL.

**DAY 7 / THU**
**TASKENT – URGENCH – KHIVA**
**(BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER)**
**TASKENT – URGENCH**
**ETD 0715**
**ETA 0855**

BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL. TRANSFER TO TASHKENT DOMESTIC AIRPORT, FOR FLIGHT TO URGENCH. UPON ARRIVAL, TRANSFER TO KHIVA (30KM). CHECK IN TO THE HOTEL & FULL DAY CITY TOUR IN KHIVA: ICHAN KALA IS THE INNER CITY IN

KHIVA ROUNDED WITH STRONG WALLS. CENTURIES OLD SOUND BUILDINGS, PALACES, MOSQUES, MADRASAHS, MAUSOLEUMS, MINARETS, CARAVAN-SARAI AND BATHHOUSES TRANSFORMED ICHAN KALA INTO UNIQUE CITY-

MONUMENT. ICHAN- KALA CONSISTS OF OVER 400

TRADITIONAL DWELLING HOUSES AND ABOUT 60

ARCHITECTURAL MONUMENTS. IN 1969 ICHAN-KALA WAS

DESIGNATED A HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL

CONSERVATION AREA. LUNCH AT LOCAL RESTAURANT

KYUNYA-ARK FORTRESS - FOUNDATION TO THE KUNYA ARK

CITADEL WAS LIED BY MUHAMMAD ARANG KHAN, SON OF

MUKHAMAD ANUSH KHAN IN 1686. IN XVIII CENTURY, CITADEL WAS SEPARATED FROM THE ICHAN KALA AND BECAME "CITY IN THE CITY". PRIMARILY KUNYA ARK CONSISTED OF KHANS' OFFICE, RECEPTION HALL, HAREM, CLOSED AND





OUTDOOR MOSQUE, MINT YARD, BACK OFFICE WITH MEWS, STOREHOUSE AND WORKSHOP. CITADEL SERVED AS A MILITARY BASE, BUT IN XIX AND XX CENTURY EMBODIED MANY OTHER BUILDINGS. DINNER AT TRADITIONAL KHOREZMIAN RESTAURANT TO TASTE LOCAL KHIVA MEALS. 0.5L WATER TO BE GIVEN EACH PASSENGER & OVERNIGHT AT THE HOTEL

**DAY 8 / FRI**

**KHIVA – BUKHARA**

**(BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER)**

BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL.  
MORNING DRIVE TO BUKHARA.  
WE'LL CROSS THE QIZILKUM DESERT SHORT STOP OVER FOR PHOTO SHOOTING LUNCH EN ROUTE – LUNCH BOXES CONTINUE THE DRIVE ARRIVAL BUKHARA, SETTLEMENT AT THE HOTEL DINNER AT BELLA ITALY RESTAURANT  
0.5L WATER TO BE GIVEN EACH PASSENGER, OVERNIGHT AT THE HOTEL



**DAY 9 / SAT**

**BUHKAKA**

**(BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER)**



BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL.  
FULL DAY CITY TOUR IN BUKHARA: CITADEL ARK (4TH C. BC), SAMANIDES MAUSOLEUM (9-10TH C.), CHASHMA AYUB (14TH C.), BOLO-HAUZ MOSQUE (BEGINNING OF THE 20TH C.)  
LUNCH AT ROOF TOP OF DOLON RESTAURANT WITH FASCINATING VIEW TO BUKHARA. FINISHING THE TOUR: COUMPOL BAZAAR, MEDRESEH NODIR-DIVAN- BEGHI, COMPLEX LYABI-KHAUZ (14-17TH C.), MINARET KALON (12TH C.), KALYAN MOSQUE (12TH C.), MEDRESEH MIRI ARAB (16TH C.). DINNER AT TRADITIONAL NATIONAL HOUSE (FOR GROUPS INCLUSIVE MASTER CLASS OF BUKHARA PILAW PREPARING) 0.5L WATER TO BE GIVEN EACH PASSENGER & OVERNIGHT AT THE HOTEL.

**DAY 10 / SUN**

**BUHKAKA – GIJDUVAN – SAMAKAND**

**(BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER)**

BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL. DRIVE TO SAMARKAND, EN ROUTE STOP OVER AT GIJDUVAN VILLAGE VISITING PRIVATE POTTERY WORKSHOP WITH MASTER CLASS OF POTTERY PREPARING. LUNCH AT POTTERY MASTER HOUSE. CONTINUE THE DRIVE TO SAMARKAND UPON ARRIVAL, CHECK-IN HOTEL. EVENING FREE ON YOUR OWN TO EXPLORE ANCIENT CITY. DINNER AT KARIMBEK RESTAURANT FAMOUS OF ITS' SHISH KEBABS  
0.5L WATER TO BE GIVEN EACH PASSENGER OVERNIGHT AT THE HOTEL.

**DAY 11 / MON**

**SAMAKAND**

**(BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER)**

BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL. FULL DAY CITY TOUR IN SAMARKAND: REGISTAN SQUARE – THE COMPLEX OF THREE HISTORICAL BUILDING: MEDRESEH ULUGHBEK (15TH C.), MEDRESEH SHIR-DOR (17TH C.), MEDRESEH TILLA-KORI (17TH C.) – THE VISITNG CARD AND THE MAIN ATTRACTION SPOT OF SAMARKAND. ARCHITECTURAL COMPLEX SHAKHI-ZINDEH (11-15TH C.) - THE NAME SHAH-I-ZINDA (MEANING "THE LIVING KING") COMES TOGETHER WITH THE LEGEND ABOUT KUSAM IBN ABBAS, THE COUSIN OF THE PROPHET MUHAMMAD WHO WAS BURIED HERE. AS IF, HE CAME TO SAMARKAND WITH THE ARAB INVASION IN THE 7TH CENTURY TO PREACH ISLAM. POPULAR LEGENDS SAY THAT HE WAS BEHEADED FOR HIS FAITH. HOWEVER, HE TOOK HIS HEAD AND WENT INTO THE DEEP WELL (GARDEN OF PARADISE), WHERE HE IS STILL LIVING NOW. LUNCH AT MUBARO UZBEK HOUSE TO TASTE LOCAL HOMEMADE DISHES



FINISHING THE TOUR IN SAMARKAND: MAUSOLEUM GURI EMIR - TAMERLANE'S TOMB (14-15TH C.) - GUR-E AMIR MEANS "TOMB OF THE KING". THIS ARCHITECTURAL COMPLEX WITH GRANDIOUS DOME CONTAINS THE TOMBS OF TAMERLANE, AND HIS SONS SHAH RUKH, MIRAN SHAH, GRANDSONS ULUGHBEK AND MUHAMMAD SULTAN. THE TOMB OF TEMUR'S SPIRITUAL MASTER SAYYID BARAKA IS ALSO HERE.

DINNER AT TRADITIONAL UZBEK HOUSE. DURING THE DINNER WE'LL TASTE REAL HOMEMADE DISHES OF SAMARKAND AS WELL ENJOY NATIONAL CULTURAL SHOW PROGRAM "UZBEK BRIDE"

MINERAL WATER TO BE GIVEN EACH PASSENGER & OVERNIGHT AT THE HOTEL.

**DAY 12 / TUE SAMARKAND – TASKENT (BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER)**

BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL.

MORNING DRIVE TO TASHKENT (350KM – 4 HRS DRIVE). LUNCH AT BINKENT YUGHUR STILE RESTAURANT.

CITY TOUR IN TASHKENT: AMIR TEMUR SQUARE, TASHKENT NATIONAL ARTS CENTRE, LOCAL "BROADWAY" - A WALKING STREET WITH ARTISTS, CHEAP SOUVENIRS AND EATING PLACES, CITY FOUNTAINS AND MODERN MONUMENTS. DINNER AT SIM-SIM RESTAURANT – WE WILL TASTE VARIETY OF SHISH KEBABS TODAYCHECK IN AND SETTLEMENT AT THE HOTEL MINERAL WATER TO BE GIVEN EACH PASSENGER & OVERNIGHT AT THE HOTEL.

**DAY 13 / WED TASKENT – SINGAPORE (BREAKFAST)**

**TASKENT – KUALA LUMPUR ETD 0800 ETA 1835**

**KUALA KUMUR – SIN ETD 1940 ETA 2045**

BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL. TRANSFER TO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FOR DEPARTURE FLIGHT.

NOS OF PAX	PRICE PER PERSON IN SGD	
	TOURIST CLASS HOTELS	SUPERIOR CLASS HOTELS
1	5308	5728
2 -3	3498	3698
4 -5	2818	3028
6 – 7	2578	2648
8 - 9	2538	2728
10	2408	2608
11 - 14	2518	2768
15 - 19	2468	2698
20 - 24	2348	2568
25 - 29	2268	2488
30 – 34	2208	2428
35 – 39	2168	2388
40 AND ABOVE	2138	2348
SINGLE SUPPLEMENT	298	698

**HOTELS**

CITIES	TOURIST CLASS HOTELS	SUPERIOR CLASS HOTELS
ALMATY	ASTANA INTERHOTEL *** OR SIMILAR	KAZZHOL **** OR SIMILAR
BISHKEK	GREEN CITY *** OR SIMILAR	PLAZA **** OR SIMILAR
ISSYK KUL	KARVEN **** OR SIMILAR	
TASHKENT	GRAND ORZU B&B OR SIMILAR	RAMADA **** OR SIMILAR
KHIVA	OLD KHIVA *** OR SIMILAR	ASIA KHIVA **** OR SIMILAR
BUKHARA	OLD CITY B&B OR SIMILAR	DEVON BEGI **** OR SIMILAR
SAMARKAND	SHAHEREZADA B&B OR SIMILAR	DIYORA **** OR SIMILAR

**PRICE INCLUDES:**

- ACCOMMODATION IN MENTIONED HOTEL ON TWIN SHARING BASIS 12 NIGHTS
- BREAKFASTS AT HOTELS
- ALL LUNCHESES & DINNERS PER PROGRAM
- WATER 2 BOTTLES OF 0.5L PER PERSON PER DAY
- A/C COMFORTABLE TRANSPORT WITH PROFESSIONAL DRIVER PER ITINERARY
  - 2 PAX – SEDAN A/C
  - 4-8 PAX – MINIVAN A/C
  - 10-14 PAX – MIDIBUS A/C
  - 15 PAX AND MORE - A/C COACH
- ENGLISH SPEAKING ESCORT GUIDE FROM ARRIVAL TO DEPARTURE OF THE GROUP IN UZBEKISTAN & SEPARATE FOR KAZAKHSTAN & KYRGYZSTAN
- ENTRANCE FEES FOR ALL MENTIONED MONUMENTS (EXCEPT PHOTO AND VIDEO CHARGES)
- UZBEKISTAN VISA SUPPORT
  - MALAYSIA CITIZENS – VISA SUPPORT NOT REQUIRED, VISA EASILY STAMPING AT UZBEK EMBASSY IN KUALA LUMPUR
  - THAILAND CITIZENS – VISA SUPPORT NOT REQUIRED, VISA EASILY STAMPING AT UZBEK EMBASSY IN BANGKOK
  - SINGAPORE CITIZENS – VISA SUPPORT IS REQUIRED (TAKES ABOUT 5 WORKING DAYS TO PREPARE VISA SUPPORT), THEN VISA STAMPING AT UZBEK EMBASSY IN SINGAPORE.
  - INDONESIA CITIZENS – VISA SUPPORT IS REQUIRED (TAKES ABOUT 5 WORKING DAYS TO PREPARE VISA SUPPORT), THEN VISA STAMPING AT UZBEK EMBASSY IN JAKARTA
- KYRGYZSTAN VISA SUPPORT
  - MALAYSIA CITIZENS – VISA NOT REQUIRED AT ALL – FREE ENTRANCE AS PER NORMAL PASSPORT OF MALAYSIA
  - SINGAPORE CITIZENS - VISA NOT REQUIRED AT ALL – FREE ENTRANCE AS PER NORMAL PASSPORT OF SINGAPORE
  - THAILAND CITIZENS – WE’LL PREPARE READY VISA (NO NEED TO CONTACT ANY EMBASSIES) AT THE BORDER FOR GROUP ENTERING – 70 USD PP VISA COST
  - INDONESIA CITIZENS – WE’LL PREPARE READY VISA (NO NEED TO CONTACT ANY EMBASSIES) AT THE BORDER FOR GROUP ENTERING – 70 USD PP VISA COST
- KAZAKHSTAN VISA SUPPORT  
VISA IS REQUIRED TO ENTER KAZAKHSTAN; MOST OF ASIAN CITIZENS DO NOT REQUIRE VISA SUPPORT FOR VISA OBTAINING AND CAN EASILY STAMP KAZAKHSTAN TOURIST VISAS AT ANY KAZAKHSTAN EMBASSY IN SINGAPORE, KUALA LUMPUR & JAKARTA. FOR OTHERS WE WILL PREPARE VISA **SUPPORT (70 USD PP)** AND THEN THEY CAN STAMP THE VISAS AT NEARBY EMBASSIES OR UPON ARRIVAL TO ALMATY AIRPORT

**PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:**

- VISA CONSULAR FEES AND PROCESSING
- PHOTO AND VIDEO CHARGES
- ALL INTERNATIONAL & DOMESTIC AIR TICKETS
- BEVERAGES
- TIPS AND GRATUITIES
- ANY PERSONAL EXPENSES
- ANY SERVICES NOT INCLUDED IN THE ABOVE ITINERARY

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