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# Best of Mongolia Jeep Tour: Ulan-Bator, Gobi Desert, Karakorum MN-03



Explore the vast beauty of Mongolia in just 10 thrilling days. This expedition combines the best of modern and historical Mongolia, offering a diverse range of experiences and sights. In just over a week, you'll visit the bustling capital, Ulan-Bator, the monumental Erdene-Zuu, housing one of Mongolia's largest monasteries, the country's first Buddhist sanctuary, and the captivating remnants of Karakorum, the former heart of Genghis Khan's Mongolian Empire. Nature takes center stage as we encounter horses and camels, The enchanting Khongor sand dunes and the South Gobi are additional highlights. Our journey also includes a visit to the renowned 'Flaming Cliffs,' where dinosaur fossils and eggs were unearthed. Join us for this brief yet captivating exploration of Mongolia.

**DEPARTURE DATES:** 

19.07.2025; 26.07.2025; 02.08.2025; 09.08.2025; 16.08.2025; 23.08.2025; 30.08.2025; 06.09.2025; 13.09.2025; 20.09.2025.

#### **ITINERARY**

#### Day 1 - Ulan Bator

Upon arrival in Ulan Bator, you will be met by your guide and driver. Transfer to a hotel in Ulan Bator. (D).

#### Day 2 - Baga Gazriin Chuluu (Middle Gobi)

Early morning we will head to Baga Gazriin Chuluu, a unique rock formation which changes colur depending on the time of day. We will also visit the ruins of an ancient temple and explore the area - this sets the scene as we have an early insight into Mongolia's stunning natural scenery and cultural heritage. Picnic lunch. Dinner and overnight stay in a ger camp. Driving distance - 220 km (135 miles). (B/L/D).

#### Day 3 - Tsagaan Suvarga

After breakfast visit ruins of Sum Khukh Bird Temple. Continue driving to Tsagaan Suvarga a fascinating white lime stone cliff which resembles a stupa. Picnic lunch. Dinner and overnight stay in a ger camp. Driving distance -280 km (175 miles). (B/L/D).

#### Day 4 - Yol Valley (Eagle Valley)

Drive further south. Arrive at the Three Beauties of the Gobi National Park, here we will spend the day on an excursion to the spectacular Yol Valley where we will hike and enjoy the stunning photographic opportunities. Lunch, dinner and overnight stay in a ger camp. Driving distance -280 km (175 miles). (B/L/D).

#### **Day 5 - Khongor Sand Dunes**

After breakfast we will drive to the remote Khongor Sand Dunes known as the Singing Dunes - the vibrations of shifting sands make natural, magical music. A climb up to the sand dunes will be rewarded with a breathtaking view. In the evening, we will observe a spectacular sunset, please prepare your cameras! Lunch, dinner, and overnight in a ger camp. Driving distance - 200 km (125 miles). (B/L/D).

#### Day 6 - Bayanzag (Flaming Cliffs)

TOUR INCLUSIONS AND OPTIONAL EXTRAS

#### Included

International flights Accommodation Full board meals English - speaking guides Guided tours & entrance fees Airport transfers

#### Not included

Personal travel insurance Optional excursions

**Practical information** Mongolian visa procedure

www.justgorussia.co.uk +44 (0) 20 33 55 77 17 info@justgorussia.co.uk Page 1/5 Drive to the world famous Flaming Cliffs or BayanZag (Saxaul tree forest of the Gobi). Explore the site of the first paleontological findings in Mongolia by following in the footsteps of Roy Chapman Andrews. A highlight of this day is our chance to spend time with a nomadic camel breeding family and experience the true hospitality of the Mongolian nomads. Enjoy a short camel ride. Lunch, dinner, and overnight stay in a ger camp. Driving distance - 150 km (94 miles). (B/L/D).

### Day 7 - Ongi Monastery

After breakfast we will drive north to visit the ruins of the once great Ongi Monastery. We will also visit the local restored temple and enjoy a walk in the surrounding area. Dinner and overnight in a ger camp. Driving distance - 150 km (94 miles). (B/L/D).

#### Day 8 - Karakorum

After breakfast we drive to Karakorum, the striking 13th century capital of the Great Mongol Empire. Visit the Erdene-Zuu Monastery, which was the first and largest monastery in all of Mongolia. Tour the monastery and visit several temples, all with excellent examples of mesmerizing Buddhist Thangka paintings dating back from the 16th century. Visit the special and little-known Karakorum Museum. Dinner and overnight stay in a ger camp. Driving distance - 300 km (187 miles). (B/L/D).

#### Day 9 - Ulan Bator

After breakfast drive back to Ulan Bator. Picnic lunch. Overnight stay in a hotel. Driving distance - 380 km (235 miles). (B/L/D).

#### Day 10 - Ulan Bator

Breakfast at the hotel. Our driver will meet you at the hotel lobby. Transfer to the airport for your flight back home. (B).

#### **AVAILABLE PACKAGES**

#### **COMFORT - 3\* PACKAGE**

Dates	Excl. flights	Incl. flights*	Single suppl.
19/07/2025 - 28/07/2025	£2495	£3395	£255
26/07/2025 - 04/08/2025	£2495	£3395	£255
02/08/2025 - 11/08/2025	£2495	£3395	£255
09/08/2025 - 18/08/2025	£2495	£3395	£255
16/08/2025 - 25/08/2025	£2495	£3395	£255
23/08/2025 - 01/09/2025	£2495	£3395	£255
30/08/2025 - 08/09/2025	£2495	£3395	£255
06/09/2025 - 15/09/2025	£2495	£3395	£255
13/09/2025 - 22/09/2025	£2495	£3395	£255
20/09/2025 - 29/09/2025	£2495	£3395	£255

#### ALTERNATIVE TOURS AND TAILOR-MADE ARRANGEMENTS

In addition to organised group tours, we also offer individual trips. This could be an entirely separate holiday arrangement or an extension to a regular "Go Russia" trip. Whether you would like to travel independently, or just with the group of your friends or colleagues, we can help to realise your holiday plans. Depending on your preference for either comfort or budget, we can help you to design the ideal itinerary and provide the optimal value-for-money quote. Please <u>contact us for a quote</u>.

Based on your chosen tour we believe you might be interested in alternative trips listed below:

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- > Great Mongolian Discovery: Ulan Bator, Terelj, Gobi Desert, Karakorum, Hustai (MN-01), Price from £3,395, 15 days
- > Best of the Gobi by Air: Luxury Exploration with Premium Lodging (MN-07), Price from £3,645, 7 days
- > Discover Russia and Mongolia: from Moscow to Ulan Bator (TS-29), Price from £2,895, 16 days

#### INFORMATION ABOUT VISAS

Go Russia provides assistance in processing visas and visa fees are included in the cost of most of our trips as detailed in the tour dossier. The visa application process is very straightforward. We have years of practical experience in dealing with tourist visas, and our in-house visa team provides assistance with completing the forms and checking the documents before consular submission. Please do not worry that your application will be unsuccessful (unless you have had any immigration issues with the relevant authorities in the past). All our tourists get their visas.

All nationalities require a full passport valid for at least six months beyond the intended length of stay. Please also make sure there are enough blank pages in your passport: Russian consulate requires minimum two blank pages.

#### UK, USA, Germany, France, Spain residents

We have in-house visa teams in the UK, USA, Germany, France and Spain. Upon your booking we will email you detailed guidance notes how to fill in the visa forms and what additional documents depending on nationality and your immigration status will be required. You will need to post your application pack to our visa processing office including your original passport. Please allow about two - three weeks for each visa application to be processed. The actual visa processing times are published on our website. Please advise us if you require your passport urgently, we can arrange urgent processing for an additional charge.

#### Non-UK, USA, Germany, France, Spain residents

If you are not resident in the above countries, we will issue official paperwork and email the required documents to you. You will need to apply for your visa at the local consulate. The process is very straightforward and we can assist you with completing the visa forms. You will have to pay the correct visa fee at the consulate in the country of your residence.

You can read more information about visa, processing times and application forms on our website: www.justgorussia.co.uk/en/visa\_services.html

#### **HOW TO BOOK**

#### Step 1 - Choose Your Holiday & Departure Dates

It is important that you choose a trip that is well suited to your interests, capabilities and experience. All our staff has first hand experience of a range of Go Russia holidays and will be happy to talk to you about your chosen trip, enabling you to assess its suitability. We also recommend that you read the descriptions of the relevant region, general information about our services, booking conditions, and trip dossiers carefully. Once you know what tour is right for you, as well as your departure dates, you can start your booking.

#### **Step 2 - Complete the Booking Form**

Online: log on to <a href="www.justgorussia.co.uk">www.justgorussia.co.uk</a> and open the tour you wish to book and click "Book now". To provide you with a more personalised and relevant experience in all your contact with Go Russia, when you book online we ask you to register on our system. Once registered you can retrieve your bookings, brochure requests, update newsletter subscriptions, passenger and emergency contact details, submit special dietary requests, view invoices and receipts, download trip documents.

Email: alternatively, you can book your tour per email - info@justgorussia.co.uk, or

Phone: call us on +44 (0)20 33 55 77 17

When booking by email or over the phone please confirm your personal details (full name and address), chosen tour, departure date, package type (hotel / cabin category), and available upgrades.

#### Step 3 - Confirmation of your booking

On receipt of your booking form, we will make any necessary reservations for you and send you confirmation invoice, including the flight details, and additional information about your destination: advice on visas, vaccinations and what to take. The invoice will also show you the exact due date of the payment.

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#### Step 4 - Payment

Please note, if your departure date is more than 56 days you will need to pay the deposit, which should cover the full cost of the flight (if applicable), plus 10% of the land-only arrangements (minimum £100) per person towards your tour. The outstanding payment must be made 56 days prior to departure. If you book less than 56 days before departure, full payment must be made at the time of your booking. You can make your payment by bank transfer, debit or credit card, cheque, bankers draft or postal order. You will find all relevant payment details in your invoice.

## YOUR NOTES

On request we can organise an additional programme for you, please <u>inquire</u> about the price and availability of the optional excursions.

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