

**BAYANZAG FLAMING CLIFFS** 

TOUR KEY: G-5

# **GOBI & CENTRAL MONGOLIA**

TOUR LENGHT: 14 DAYS

#### DAY 1: BAGA GAZARIIN CHULUU SMALL ROCK FORMATION

09.00 am, After breakfast will leave for the Mongolian countryside. The first stop on the Gobi trip list is Baga Gazriin Chuluu (more commonly known as the Small Stones of Middle Gobi). It is granite formation in the middle of the Mongolian Sandy place. Overnight in nomad family's extra private ger. Lunch and dinner.

## DAY 2: TSAGAAN SUVARGA WHITE CLIFFS STUPA SHAPED

Driving through Gobi desert will give you an exotic view of the desert - with boundless view of horizons, rare species of mammals and plants. On the way you can take the photo of wonderful spots, running gazelles, grassing camels, and real live vision of nomads. Overnight in nomad family's extra private ger. Breakfast lunch and dinner.

## DAY 3: YOL VALLEY YOLIIN AM

You will be driven to the valley of Yolyn Am. The valley begins from Zuun Saikhan Mountain, a branch of the Gurvan Saikhan mountain system, and stretches over 10 km. It is completely shaded from the sun in some parts by high cliff walls. It will be great experience for you. The beauty of the valley, combined with the sound of vultures (Yol means vulture, in Mongolian) creates an atmosphere of awe and wonder -this is an experience not to be missed! Overnight near to Yol valley. Nomad family's extra private ger. Breakfast lunch and dinner. Shower available

## DAY 4: KHONGOR SAND DUNE SINGING DUNE KHONGOR

After breakfast, we will drive towards Khongor sand dunes that extend along the northern side of Sevrei and Zoolun mountain ranges, explore the area, climbing one of the dunes affords the energetic traveler with an unforgettable experience of

endless vistas across a sea of daffodil-colored sand. After lunch time, we will have free time. Then we will climb up to top point of the Sand dunes. Overnight near to Khongor sand dunes. Nomad family's extra private ger. Breakfast lunch and dinner.

## DAY 5:CAMEL RIDE EXPERIENCE KHONGOR SAND DUNE

The two-humped camels are very comfortable to ride, as they walk slowly and gently and we will be well supported by the humps, sitting comfortably between them. Our camel man will take us to the sand-dunes. / 1 hour camel ride/ Nomad family's extra private ger. Breakfast lunch and dinner. Shower available

## DAY 6: BAYANZAG "RED FLAMING CLIFFS"

Today we will enjoy some travel activities of Gobi desert. After lunch time, continue the drive towards Bayanzag, a saxual forest and area of red cliffs "Bayanzag" which have been formed from the erosion of the sand and rock over many thousands of years. A lot of dinosaurs' findings such as skeleton & dinosaur' eggs have been found there. Before reach in Bayanzag, we will see Gobi precious stone selling place which is running by locals. The Flaming Cliffs themselves are very imposing from a distance, and are particularly fiery in the light of the setting sun, and it is an interesting place to wander about to get a closer look at one of the world's most famous paleontological sites. Nomad family's extra private ger. Breakfast lunch and dinner.

## DAY 7: ONGIIN KHIID ONGI MONASTERY RUINS

Ongi monastery One of the largest monasteries in Mongolia, Ongi monastery was founded in 1660 and consisted of two temple complexes on the north and south banks of the Ongi River. The older southern complex consisted of various administrative buildings as well as 11 temples. The northern complex built in the 18th century, consisted of 17 temples- among them one of the largest temples in all Mongolia. Nomad family's extra private ger. Breakfast lunch and dinner. Where shower available.

# **DAY 8: ORKHON VALLEY ORKHON WATERFALL**

After breakfast you will drive to the waterfall is situated in the historically significant Orkhon valley, whose river flows an incredible 1120km journey to the north before it joins the mighty Selenge River. It cascades from an impressive height of 20 meters and its width is 10 meters. The waterfall was formed by a unique combination of volcanic eruptions and

earthquakes about 20,000 years ago. The fall is naturally impressive after a heavy rain. Nomad family's extra private ger. Breakfast lunch and dinner.

## DAY 9: TSENKHERIIN RASHAAN TSENKHER HOT SPRING

Tsenkher Hot Spa. Reflect, relax, spa, enjoy the premier nude spa retreat in Arkhangai province, enjoy a whirlpool and contemplate the mountain above you -Relax in the sun all day and swim free in a spa water pool - Tsenkher's curative mineral waters have been used for centuries as the most pure and healing in the Mongolia. Feel the 24 hour mineral water whirlpool massage the tension from your busy life at our refreshing, upscale and sensual countryside center - Sauna bliss - sun bathe natural - Sleep all day in Mongols' traditional dwelling Ger. Nomad family's extra private ger. Breakfast lunch and dinner. Shower available

#### DAY 10: TERKHIIN TSAGAAN NUUR TERKH WHITE LAKE

Terkh white lake On the way visit Tsetserleg city, Travel to Terkhiin Tsagaan Nuur (Great White Lake), a stunning lake surrounded by mountains, volcanic rock and grassy slopes. The lake lends itself to swimming and is reputedly good for fishing, but the fish here are harder to catch than in other areas. Fishing, horse riding, cycling and photography. The rivers have handful species of river fish such as pike, sturgeon, common asp, Siberian grayling, roach etc. Scenic and untouched natural distinct spot allow good opportunities for hiking and horseback riding. Early morning hiking through the canyon of the river. Nomad family's extra private ger. Breakfast lunch and dinner.

#### DAY 11: TERKH WHITE LAKE- KHORGO VOLCANO "KHORGIIN TOGOO"

There are a number of options for exploring the area such as an interesting hike (8km round trip) to the top of Khorgo Uul- an extinct volcano crater. The lake has volcanic origins, something that is easy to figure out by the trail of solidified lava formations leading from the lake to nearby Khorgo Uul volcano. The volcano is worth climbing if only to walk around the crater it is easy to hire a horse and ride it up the volcano, which also gives you chance to visit of the more interesting lava formations on your way, or cars can be driven almost to the visit almost to the to the summit. Khorgo volcano is a dead volcano covered with basalt lying to the east of the lake Terkhiin Tsagaan in Arkhangai aimag. Nomad family's extra private ger. Breakfast lunch and dinner.

#### DAY 12: KHARKHORIN CITY ERDENEZUU MONASTERY

Kharhorin city On arrival you will notice the first and most obvious landmark which is the massive wall of monastery Erdene Zuu. Erdene Zuu, built in 1586, is the first Buddhist monastery to have been built in Mongolia and by a well-known Mongolian king called Abtai Sain Khaan, and is surrounded by a vast 400m wall. Various construction materials were taken from the ruins of Karakorum to build this monastery. Ger guest house. Breakfast lunch and dinner. Shower available.

## DAY 13:KHUSTAI NATIONAL PARK LUN VILLAGE TUUL RIVER

Drive to original nomad herder family at LUN village, Tuul river. Traditional food Khorkhog for the dinner.

1 hour ride a horse. Overnight in Nomad family's extra private ger. Breakfast lunch and dinner.

# DAY 14: ULAANBAATAR CITY

After breakfast drive back to Hustai National Park lies in the foothills of the southern Khentii Mountain Range about 100km south west of Ulaanbaatar. It takes its name from birch trees growing in surrounding mountain forests. Khustai is the establishment of a viable, self-sustaining population of Takhi. The Takhi is the world's last truly wild horse. Drive continue to UB. End the trip.

EACH DAY DRIVING HOUR -5 TO 6HRS. ABOUT 180KM TO 290KM.

SHOWER – AT YOL VALLEY, BAYANZAG, ONGI, TSENKHER, KHARKHORIN, TSETSERLEG / TERKH WHITE LAKE /, KHONGOR SAND DUNE

ABOUT CHARGE ELECTRON STUFF - WHEN YOU EAT LUNCH AT LOCAL RESTAURANT, THERE YOU CAN CHARGE YOUR PHONE OR CAMERA.

# **INCLUDED:**

- PRIVATE ALL TERRAIN-VEHICLE & PETROL
- AIRPORT TRANSFERS (PICK UP AND DROP OFF)
- ALL MODES OF ACCOMMODATION (GER GUEST HOUSE, GER (YURT) NOMADIC FAMILY'S GUEST GER
- ALL BREAKFAST, LUNCH, DINNER
- ENGLISH SPEAKING LOCAL GUIDE
- HORSE RIDING /CAMEL RIDING
- ALL STAFF COST, INCLUDING THEIR FEES, INSURANCE, EQUIPMENT
- ALL LOCAL AND GOVERNMENTAL TAXES / NATIONAL PARK FEES
- 1.5L BOTTLED MINERAL DRINKS EVERYDAY PER PERSON
- SLEEPING BAGS

# EXCLUDED:

- PERSONAL TRAVEL INSURANCE /
- EMERGENCY RESCUE FLIGHT COST
- SNACKS
- SPECIAL DRINKS (VODKA, JUICE ETC)