



**JARGAL  
EXPEDITION**

NAADAM FESTIVAL

AND ULTIMATE WEST TOUR

*Simply unforgettable*



*Naadam is a time when Mongolians celebrate who they are, how proud they are to be Mongolian.*

*Jargal Expedition.*



## Discover Mongolia your way

We believe ourselves as generation of nomadic people and proud so that as imperatively, we are honour of operating an adventure tours for guests and giving them opportunity to experience about our culture and tradition through our selected discovery destinations in our country. With assistance of our dedicated team and comfortable accommodation arrangement in the backcountry, we will provide you an authentic and real-life adventure in Mongolia. Our personal service begins with your first enquiry and extends through your whole trip. For years we've been arranging distinctive adventure holidays throughout Mongolia. Each is personally designed to suit you to perfection.

Best wishes

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# NATURE OF OUR DISCOVERY TOURS

## DISCOVER OFF THE BEATEN PATH

Our vibrant tradition, culture, lifestyle and diverse natural environments will energize your senses and satisfy your most adventurous travel dreams.

## HAVE AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

Communicate with them about why and what and how. As the doors open up and you are more comfortable with them and they with you they will start to ask you questions as well. This is a beauty of cultural exchange for all involved. This bond of cultural learning is unique and a fun way to travel getting to know the local people. It requires a willingness to leave some of our own cultural norms in our luggage during the trip in order to fully dive in. It's genuine. The rewards are incredible.

## TRAVEL WITHOUT A HITCH & FEEL GOOD ABOUT TRAVEL

Your trip will be organised to your expectation and in some cases exceeded your expectation. As usual, with great efforts of our dedicated team, everything go without a hitch and you are able to enjoy throughout your travel with us.

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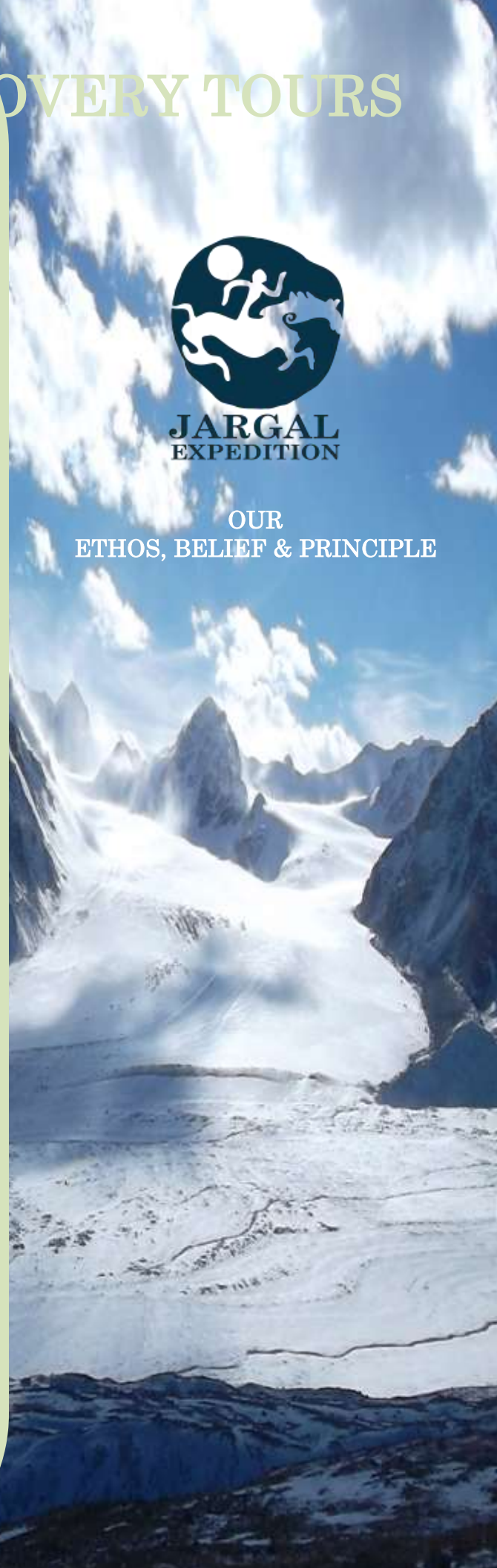
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**OUR  
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# NAADAM FESTIVAL AND ULTIMATE WEST GRAND TOUR

## HIGHLIGHTS



- Trek edge of the Potinin's glacier
- Explore Altai Tavan Bogd National Park
- Claim Malchin Peak



- Naadam Festival- Horse racing
- Naadam Festival - Archery
- Naadam Festival - Wrestling
- Gandan - the largest Buddhist monastery in Mongolia
- National Museum of Mongolian History
- Sightseeing in UB
- Enjoy traditional art performance

The Mongol Altai Range has many peaks reaching 4000 meters above sea level and stretches for almost 1000 km from the north-western part of the country to the south and over 20 peaks are capped with eternal snow in the range. The tallest of these, Khuiten Uul, is the highest mountain in Mongolia, at 4,369m (about 14,300 feet).

Despite its remote location, the park and its beautiful scenery make it the premier attraction in western Mongolia. Divided from China by a high wall of snow-capped peaks, the area is a trekker's paradise.

The whole covered region is as fascinating as their diverse. Four of the peaks require mountaineering equipment and experience climbers, though the shortest, Malchin Uul ("Herder Peak") at 4025 M, can be hiked by novices. Near the mountains it is possible to hike Pontunin Glacier.

Naadam is the biggest festival of the year for Mongolians and is held in the Mongolian capital Ulaanbaatar during the National Holiday from July 11-13. It begins with an elaborate introduction ceremony featuring dancers, athletes, horse riders, and musicians. After the opening ceremony, the competitions begin. As usual, it runs for three days in all parts of the country and consists of horse racing, archery, and wrestling. These competitions are called the manly games. Women participate in all but the wrestling category. Main Naadam festival in the UB, tournaments may take place in a separate venue.

# NAADAM FESTIVAL AND ULTIMATE WEST GRAND TOUR OVERVIEW

Day 01: (July 10) Arrive in UB, Mongolia  
Day 02: (July 11) Opening Ceremony of Naadam Festival  
Day 03: (July 12). Ulgii Town/White River Valley, Bayan-Ulgii province  
Day 4. Potanin Glacier, National Park  
Day 5. Climb Malchin Peak  
Day 6. Tsagaan Gol (White River), Altai Tavan Bogd National Park  
Day 7. Ulgii Town, Bayan-Ulgii province  
Day 8. Ulaanbaatar  
Day 9. Departure

*Please note that this may run in reverse, so please ask us about this before booking if this is important to you.*

**DATE:** 10-18 July, 2020

**DURATION:** 9 days

**TOUR PRICE:** From \$1830

**ACCOMMODATION:** 3 nights 4 Star hotel, 1 night Ger Camp, 4 nights tent camp.

**TRANSPORTATION:** All transportations by private vehicle. (4 WD, Minivan or Minibus). This destination is required domestic flight.

**ADVENTURE LEVEL RATE:** Mixed Comfort & Challenging

**PRIVATE TOUR:** Book this trip as a private departure just for you on your selected date.

**SINGLE SUPPLEMENT OPTION:** We offer the opportunity to pay a supplement to pre-book a single room.

## **WHAT'S INCLUDED:**

- Full services of both guide and driver
- 8 breakfasts, 8 lunches, 8 dinners
- Drinking water throughout tour
- All transport (domestic flights, minibus or 4WD)
- National park/reserves entrance fees
- All nights' accommodation including hotel in UB
- All others indicated in program including outdoor equipments

## **WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED:**

- Visa
- Hotel refreshments
- Travel insurance
- Airplane ticket and taxes
- Excess baggage charges
- Daily personal expenses

## **TAILOR MADE TOUR**

As this is your holiday, please feel free to discuss your preferences with us and we will cover or cut a tour according to your wishes.



## DAY 1. (JULY 10) ULAANBAATAR

On arrival you will be met by our representative, and then be privately transferred to your hotel in Ulaanbaatar. In the afternoon, after a lunch, you will enjoy a leisurely time of sightseeing around UB and visit to the Gandan Monastery and the National History Museum where presents our history and culture from prehistoric to the present day. Early evening after sightseeing program, we invite you a welcome dinner at a restaurant.

Accommodation: Hotel. Meals: LD

## DAY 2. (JULY 11) ULAANBAATAR

Today is the real highlight for us - the day you witness for our national holiday. After a breakfast, we will be attending the opening ceremony of the Naadam Festival in Ulaanbaatar. Undoubtedly, Naadam is the most colourful and most important annual cultural event. It begins with an elaborate introduction ceremony featuring dancers, athletes, horse riders, and musicians. After the opening ceremony, the competitions begin. As usual, it runs for three days in all parts of the country and consists of horse racing, archery, and wrestling. Before leaving the stadium, we will attend archery competition. After lunch, we will drive to horse racing field of Naadam festival with Mongolian racers from all over Mongolia.

Accommodation: Hotel. Meals: BLD

## DAY 3. ULGII TOWN, BAYAN-ULGII

Leave the city behind and fly to the Ulgii town, Bayan-Ulgii Province. We'll drive to Tsagaan gol (White river) The White River is one of the many rivers that find its sources in the melting ice of the Tavan Bogd glaciers. Along with Shiveet Mountain, the area of the river is so amazing if you're lucky enough, you'll spot a wild goat named as an ibex.

Accommodation: Tent Camp. Meals: BLD

## DAY 4. POTANIN GLACIER, NATIONAL PARK

This is time to experience of Altai Tavan Bogd Mountain. We head inland through several rustic villages for a taste of the Altai Tavan Bogd (Five Saints) mountain way of life. We would cross a few rivers as we follow a trail to Altai Tavan Bogd Base camp. In this remote corner where Mongolia, China, and Russia meet, we discover Asia's unspoiled wilderness, topped by the 14,000-foot peaks of Tavan Bogd National Park. We trek for approx 15 km today to the National Park Base camp at the foot of the spectacular Altai Tavan Bogd Glaciers. The glacier is at the foot of Khuiten Peak (4374m) the highest point in Mongolia.

Accommodation: Tent camp. Meals: BLD

## DAY 5. CLIMB MALCHIN PEAK

After breakfast we will start slowly walking for about an hour and then start climbing to Malchin Peak (4050 m), which is on the Mongolian side of the Russian border. Malchin Peak is the lowest of the Holy Five Peaks. It takes 6 to 7 hours to climb to the top of Malchin. Most of the climb will be on rocks, then back to camp to relax.

Accommodation: Tent camp. Meals: BLD

## DAY 6. TSAGAAN GOL, BASE CAMP, NATIONAL PARK

Today we will hike back to our camp in the Tsagaan Gol Valley. This evening we will have the opportunity to visit Tuvan families and share their culture and lifestyle.

Accommodation: Tent camp. Meals: BLD

## DAY 7. ULGII TOWN

Today we leave the Base camp and come down to the south gate where we meet our driver(s). We say good bye to guides and drive back to Ulgii. Have Kazakh traditional meal called Besh Barmakh "Fiver fingers" .

Overnight in West Mongolia ger camp. Accommodation: Tent camp. Meals: BLD

## DAY 8. ULAANBAATAR

Having completed breakfast and packed your bags, you'll be collected from the ger camp and driven the short distance to the airport, arriving in time to check in for your flight to Ulaanbaatar. On arrival we will take you to hotel and after your 1-2 hour relaxed time at your hotel, we'll go to Gobi cashmere shop and antique/souvenir shop (optional). Early evening before your attendance of our traditional folk song and dance performance, we'll invite you to a farewell dinner and later on give you a time to prepare for your departure.

Accommodation: Ger Camp. Meals: BLD

## DAT 9. DEPARTURE

After breakfast you will be transferred to the airport for your onward flight and our service ends.

## YOUR HOLIDAY INFORMATION



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### Holiday Status

You no longer need to worry about cancellations due to low numbers as most of our departures in Mongolia, whether joining shared services for excursions or completely going solo, are guaranteed to depart.

Depending on its uniqueness, adventure holidays are usually sold all inclusive of accommodation, meals and activities described. The price you pay is usually a direct reflection on the level of service. Therefore, the adventure holiday package price includes everything except the cost of the international flights and other personal expenditures.

### What the Price Includes

All of our holidays include the following services, as described in our itineraries: domestic flights (where appropriate), land transport, accommodation, meals, trip leaders and support staff and entrance fees to some national parks.

### What the Price does not include

Visas, vaccinations, bar bills, extra drinks with meals, hotel refreshments, laundry, telephone calls, souvenirs, meals other than those specified in the relevant trip dossier

### Transport

All transports during the trip are included transfers as per the itinerary. We use everything from buses, 4WD and airplane (domestic airlines if tour destination requires) to horses.

### Accommodation

Besides offering well measured five star hotel in UB, we offer Ger camps which are the most common accommodation outside UB on our tours. Camping and stays in Ger camps are popular options, with some beautifully appointed stays in remote locations available for the adventurous. Accommodation in the Ger camp is two guests to share one Ger which is quite cozy well equipped with the key requirements being cleanliness, safety, comfort and a good location.

### Family Rooming

We will room your family in the most appropriate way using a mixture of twin, triple, double and single rooms as necessary. We will leave it to you to decide who shares with whom in your family group.

### Single Rooms

Most tours are based on customers sharing twin-bedded rooms. However, on many tours we offer the opportunity to pay a supplement to pre-book a single room.

### Included Meals

All our tours include full board, but other meals are often not included especially in UB. This allows you to try the cuisine in local restaurants and also to choose what and where to eat and how much to spend. We try to keep all-inclusive accommodation to a minimum. Where there is no option, such as when camping and on horse riding tours, meals are required to be included. Please ask us before booking if you have any specific requirements.



#### Passports

A full passport is required for all of our holidays and this should be valid for at least six months after the completion of your trip. To secure your booking and avoid incurring additional charges, you must provide information on your booking form precisely as it is shown on your passport.

#### Visas

You may require a visa to enter Mongolia. Your consultant will be happy to advise you on visa requirements.

#### Booking

Only once you are completely happy with any holiday itinerary we create for you will we ask for a payment. In order that we can secure availability for your booking we would typically require a deposit of 15%.

#### Vaccinations

For some countries you will undoubtedly require vaccinations for your visit. But Mongolia is generally a safe place to travel in terms of health and no specific vaccinations are required.

#### Website Information

All information on this website is correct at the time of completion. Subsequently, this information can become outdated and inaccurate. We reserve the right, therefore, to change any of the information included on our website and this amended information will then form part of your booking contract with ourselves.

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