# **JARGAL EXPEDITION**

### NAADAM FESTIVAL



Visiting the Naadam Festival will definitely lead to better understanding of Mongolian history and culture.

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# Discover Mongolia your way

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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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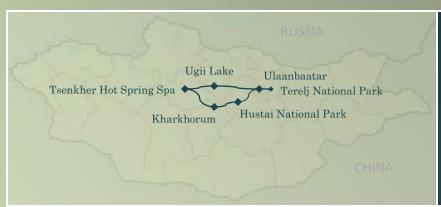
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#### NAADAM FESTIVAL AND CENTRAL REGION OF MONGOLIA TOUR

#### HIGHLIGHTS



- Visit Hustai National Park
- Explore a wild horse
- Enjoy in the wilderness
- Enjoy breath-taking views of the mountains in the National Park
- Visit Kharkhorum and Erdenezuu Monastery
- Enjoy and relax at Tsenkher hot spring spa



- Naadam Festival- Horse racing
- Naadam Festival Archery
- Naadam Festival Wrestling
- Sightseeing in UB
- Enjoy traditional art performance

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.

Hustai National Park is operating to conserve ecosystems, biodiversity of the park and historical stone monuments, build up takhi population in the wildlife, in other part, to develop eco tourism and support the local sustainable livelihoods in the buffer zone of the park since it was established in 2003.

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Kharakhorum is Mongolian ancient capital city and was founded in 1220 in Orkhon Valley. Today the symbolic ruins of the first Buddhist monastery in Mongolia Erdene Zuu left which was built on the ground of the Kharakhorum in 1586.

Ulaanbaatar is located on the bank of Tuul River and is surrounded in four mountains which are part of the beautiful Khentii Mountain Range. It is the main hub for travels to any destinations. UB, as Mongolian capital city, is home to over 1.3 million residents and while the population consists mainly of ethnic Mongolians

We will transfer you from place to place. We think it is a great tour which gives you a real insight into Mongolia. As always with us though, you can change any of this if you want. Make it longer or shorter it's up to you.



#### DAY 1. ULAANBAATAR

On arrival you will be met by both 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: D

#### DAY 2. UGII LAKE

After early breakfast, we pick you up from your hotel. Today we start our journey with a 380 km, drive to Lake Ugii via the Mongol Els sand-dunes. On the way we'll see spectacular mountain and steppe scenery, nomad families and animals pasturing on the plain. We will have a picnic lunch along the way. However, the road is smoothly paved, for some distance (approx 80 km) we'll drive on countryside roads arriving at the lake in the early evening. Accommodation: Ger Camp. Meals: BLD

#### DAY 3. TSENKHER HOT SPRING

Tsenkher nature hot spa is a spectacular force of nature where comes out from far deep part of the ground and its water is not mixed with soil water. The area of the spa is also a special protected area and has some very good view of natural surroundings and bird watching, so there's plenty to keep you occupied today. The Ger Camp offers both indoor and outdoor baths. Night bath will be very relaxing while seeing stars at the dark sky before sleeping.

Accommodation: Ger Camp. Meals: BLD

#### DAY 4. ANCIENT CAPITAL CITY-KHARKHORUM

You'll leave for Kharkhorum early this morning. The journey takes 4 hours and you should arrive about after lunchtime. On the way, we'll have picnic lunch. We will visit museum of Karakorum and the symbolic ruins of ancient city, which was the capital city of the Great Mongol Empire founded in the 13th century. Also visit to the magnificent and oldest Buddhist Monastery complex of Erdene Zuu, built in the 16th century, with 108 stupas.

Accommodation: Ger Camp. Meals: BLD

#### DAY 5. HUSTAI NATIONAL PARK

Today we will drive to the east 270 km to reach the National Park Hustai Nuruu. We will explore the extraordinary spot, where the Asian wild horse grazes, having been reintroduced from Holland in framework of an international project. After lunch in the park we will visit a local horseman's family. There you can experience their way of life, their culture and traditions. Free horseback trial.

Accommodation: Ger Camp. Meals: BLD



After early breakfast we'll drive to Ulaanbaatar and it will take 2 hours. After a lunch, you should also have time to visit the "Gobi" cashmere factory store and antique shop (optional). Before a farewell dinner, in the early evening, you'll attend traditional folk art performance.

Accommodation: Hotel. Meals: BLD

#### DAY 7 (11 JULY). NAADAM OPENING CEREMONY

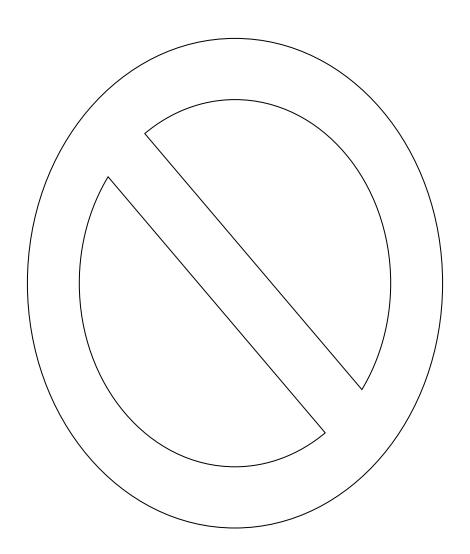
Today is the real highlight for us - the day you witness for our national holiday. After a breakfast, we will be attending the opening ceremony of the Naadam Festival in Ulaanbaatar. Undoubtedly, Naadam is the most colourful and most important annual cultural event. It begins with an elaborate introduction 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.

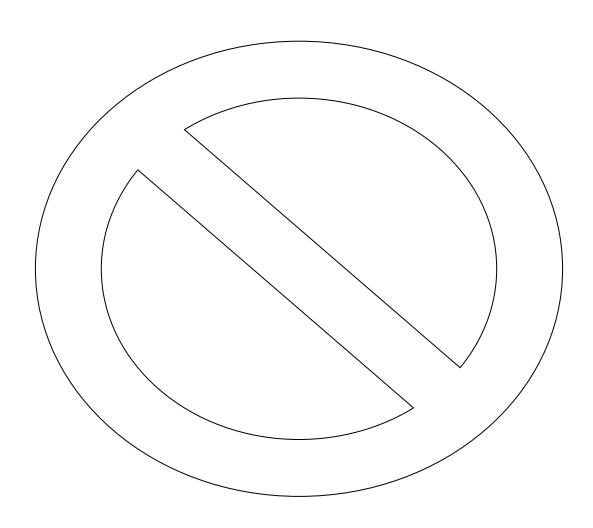
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#### DAY 8. DEPARTURE

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.

#### 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.

#### 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. Please ask us before booking if you have any specific requirements.



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